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The Navigator Way...





Emerald Park Super Stars!

It is time to SHINE!

12th Annual Emerald Park "Super Star" Talent Show is on



Friday, April 19th

To be allowed to perform:

- Turn in a completed permission form **by Friday, March 8th**. Lyrics to any music used in the act MUST be attached.
- Be present at YOUR ASSIGNED tryout day and time which will be either March 12th or March 13th starting at 3:30 p.m.
- Attend ALL ASSIGNED rehearsals from 3:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- You MUST attend the dress rehearsal on April 18th from 3:15

Permission forms are available in the Main Office. If you have any questions, you can contact Lori Macauley at (253) 850-8113 or LMMACAULEY@YAHOO.COM.

PTSA TALENT SHOW VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for volunteers to help put together our upcoming PTSA Talent Show on April 19, 2013. We need parent volunteers to make this a success. Please consider helping us! Return the form below to Emerald Park by Friday, March 1stta if you are able to volunteer. Questions? Contact Lori Macauley at 253-850-8113 or LMMACAULEY@YAHOO.COM.

NAME:	CHILD'S TEACHER:	
PHONE:	EMAIL:	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Math Night—Mar. 21st
- Smencil Sales—Mar. 21st and 22nd
- Talent Show—Apr. 19th
- PTSA Mtg—Apr. 19th

Spring Dollar & Clothing Drive Coming Soon

Emerald Park Elementary will be reaching out to help our local KAC PTSA families with donations this spring. We will be having a Dollar Drive for New socks, underwear, and school supplies and will be in need of your new or gently used items too. We will be announcing our drop off date very soon.

Donations needed are:

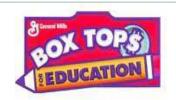
- Dollars
- New Socks
- New Underwear



New or Gently used:

- School Supplies
- Backpacks
- Coats
- Clothing









Thank You

Suzanne Schack

For a sold out Pizza Night!!

Thank You

Kaylee

Hansen

For a GREAT Movie Night!!



THE LABEL DRIVE CONTINUES...

The last day to submit your labels for the contest is May 1st.

Be sure to <u>send the labels to school with your child</u> (Friday Envelope) so that they can be put into the classroom collection envelopes.

The class that collects the most points will win an Ice Cream Party!!!

Box Tops are found on a variety of General Mills products. You can find a list of products at www.boxtops4educatoin.com

Labels for Education are found on many products including Campbell's Soups. You can find a list of products at: www.labelsforeducation.com

We have already achieved 2000 points worth of labels. Let's keep it going!!

MARINER'S FAMILY NIGHT AT SAFECO FIELD



Emerald Park PTSA is excited to be working with the Seattle Mariners to offer a special Emerald Park Family Night on Saturday May 11th at 6:10pm. Families can purchase tickets to see the Mariners take on the Oakland Athletics for a reduced rate of \$11 per ticket (normally \$22). Order forms will come home in the Friday folder, are available in the main office, and can also be found on

the PTSA website www.epptsa.weebly.com

May 11th is also Tom Willhelmsen Train Night at Safeco and the first 20,000 fans receive a collector's edition Train Engine. We have also combined Family Nights with Meeker Middle School for those families who have students attending both schools. If you have questions, please contact Heather Scheer at 253-631-0547 or by email at hmscheer-slp@comcast.net

A BIG THANK YOU to all the Families that attended Pizza Night! Thanks to the volunteers that made it possible.

Thanks to Mrs. Albanese for doing such a great job as our M.C. for the evening.

Thanks to the Kerr Family for all the support with the Bake Sale supporting "All For Books".

Visit the Emerald Park PTSA website at: epptsa.weebly.com

Did you know our website has the ability to change to multiple different languages?? Check it out!



Mr. Ficken as the mad scientist

Emerald Park was "Read"ioactive for Spring

The Spring Book Fair was a success, achieving \$7,400 in sales, raising \$4,800 in books for the Emerald Park library. This book fair laboratory came to life again thanks to the continued support from you, your families, the students, and staff.

We raised \$148 for *Love Your Library*. \$788 was raised for *All For Books* and bought books for 155 student readers! \$300 of the *All For Books* funds came from Alex Kerr's Bake Sale during Pizza Night **Thank you Alex!**

The book fair is always our most intense event each year Fall and Spring. This Spring our volunteers logged over **238 hours** to ensure this book fair was available before the first bell rung in the morning to the last parent teacher conference was complete each night. A big thanks to the following volunteers that made it all happen.

Andrea Hartman, Annette Wong, Kristi Thulin, Florence Vechabut, Dee McSweeney, Peg Deister, Melissa Day, Diane Hanratty, Orissa Barrera, Stephanie Lyon, Anthony Tran, Joleen Coleman, Sheila Cowley, Elisa Genaw, Ratkha Seam, Judy Lewis, Teri Schanbeck, Kathy Britt, Liz Shilman, Lori Macauley, Sharon Jung, Cyndi Helmer, Suzanne Schack, Meri Jasmine, Ester Suan Tjoe, and Verie Taraservich.

A HUGE THANK YOU to **Art and Kathy King** for stepping up to take the lead of this event for next year and to **Jane Uyeta and Laura Kerr** for mentoring and imparting their knowledge so that we can continue to have successful book fairs when they move on to Meeker.



6 cases of books, delivered to Ms Pepper from our ALL FOR BOOK donations

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PTA REFLECTIONS AWARD WINNERS!!





Congratulations to the Emerald Park Reflection Award Winners. We had 8 students recognized at the Kent Area Council level and 2 of those students are moving onto the State level.

Congratulations to:

Avery McSweeney—Visual Arts

Alan Sovrebov—Dance/ Choreography

They won at the Kent Area Council level and are moving on to the State competition.

The other students that competed at the Kent Area Council are:

Braeden McSweeney Lyndsey Dyke Isa Cruz Kathryn Newbury

Clara Johnson Wyatt Hansen

You can see this year's submissions displayed in the hallway outside of the Emerald Park Library.

Thank you to all that participated and to the parents that assisted their students.

Thank you to Susan

Kipper for leading this amazing program here at Emerald Park.

The 2013-2014 National PTA Reflections Theme will be: "Believe, Dream, Inspire".. So start thinking about what you

would like to submit for next years contest.



----- YES! İ WANT TO JOİN PTSA!

Name(s)	
Phone	_ E-mail
Address	
	Teacher
	Teacher
MY MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE ENCLOSED WITH	
\$10 Individual Member \$19 Family (two adults in same household)	
\$20 I am unable to volunteer my time, so ple	ease put me on the "No Call" list but I want to support our school.
Please fill out this form and return to school with	h your child along with a check to EMERALD PARK ELEMENTARY PTSA.

Spring Fundraiser



That's right, we will be taking orders for delicious Mrs. Fields Gourmet Cookie Dough, beginning Friday, March 1st and continuing through Thursday, March 14th,

Everyone can help us reach our goal by ordering some of these great items and asking friends, family and co-workers to do the same! Let's all work together and we will surely reach our goal.



Everyone that participates earns a prize! Look at your catalog to see what you can win.

Sell 6 items and come to a Milk N Cookies Party



Sell 20 items and spin the Wheel of Fortune, Everyone will win between \$2 and \$50



Take orders and collect money now.

Turn in orders and money on March 14. Orders will arrive on Tuesday, April 2nd Make all checks out to:

Emerald Park PTSA

Questions? Contact

Jane Uveta at 206-478-8737 Or email: janeuyeta@yahoo.com

We are raising money for:

- Field Trips
- Classroom Projects
- Reading Night
- Math Night

YEARBOOK PRE-SALES ARE HERE!

Presales will be available from March 8th to April 19th.

The order form is in this weeks Friday envelope!

Presale price is \$13.95 per book.

After April 19th the price will go up to \$15.50 per book.

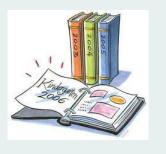
We will again be holding an art contest for the students. The winning students art will become the front cover of the book.

Stay tuned for more on the art contest.

Any questions or concerns, please contact

Diane Hanratty at

dhanratty@sleepcountry.com



ROAD MAP REGION PARENT FORUM

"Strengthening Family & School Connections For Student Success," a parent forum by the Road Map Project will be held on Saturday April 20, 2013 at Foster High School in Tukwila.



The purpose of the Road Map Region Parent Forum is to build the capacity and leader-ship potential of parents through providing comprehensive strategies, tools and information for supporting their student's education. This inaugural event is being codesigned by the Community Center for Education Results (CCER) and its key community partners. For more information go to: http://www.roadmapproject.org/collective-action/parent-forum/

Taken from the Washington State PTA Leadership News

THE PARENT'S GUIDE TO STUDENT SUCCESS FROM NATIONAL PTA WEBSITE

The *Parents' Guide to Student Success* was developed in response to the Common Core State Standards in English language arts and mathematics that more than 45 states have adopted; Washington state being one of them. Created by teachers, parents, education experts, and others from across the country, the standards provide clear, consistent expectations for what students should be learning at each grade in order to be prepared for college and career.

National PTA® created the guides for grades K-8 and two for grades 9-12 (one for English language arts/literacy and one for mathematics).

The Guide includes:

- Key items that children should be learning in English language arts and mathematics in each grade, once the standards are fully implemented.
- Activities that parents can do at home to support their child's learning.
- Methods for helping parents build stronger relationships with their child's teacher.

PTAs can play a pivotal role in how the standards are put in place at the state and district levels. PTA® leaders are encouraged to meet with their school, district, and/or state administrators to discuss their plans to implement the standards and how their PTA can support that work. The goal is that PTAs and education administrators will collaborate on how to share the guides with all of the parents and caregivers in their states or communities, once the standards are fully implemented. Guides are specific to each grade and all grade levels can be found at the links below as well as in both English and Spanish.

Two-page Parents' Guides to Student Success: http://www.pta.org/ parents/content.cfm?ItemNumber=2910

Four-page Parents' Guides to Student Success: http://www.pta.org/ content.cfm?ItemNumber=2909



Want information on **cell phone safety** for you and your family?? See the PTO guide at:

http://www.ptotoday.com/images/att/pdf/AT&T%20Mobile%20Safety% 20Downloadable%20Guide.pdf