# Seattle Academy Parent Association

Fall Meeting September 5, 2019



## Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Overview of PA and Volunteer Opportunities
- New Parent Association Webpages
- Class Rep Planning Time



### Welcome to SAAS Parent Association

- The Seattle Academy Parent Association's purpose includes:
  - Supporting activities that enhance school and community spirit
  - Recognizing and honoring faculty and staff in appropriate ways
  - Providing parent education programs
  - Organizing and assisting with activities that benefit the students of Seattle Academy

## SAAS Parent Association Executive Committee

President

**Sharon Perlin** 

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Staff
Support
Fiona
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Amy Bryant

PA Class Reps Heather Enoki



## **Parent Education Committee Mission**

- ENGAGE parents in the SAAS mission to challenge students to question, imagine and create in order to contribute boldly to a changing world;
- EDUCATE parents in the principles of social and emotional development that their students may experience in Middle and High School;
- EMPOWER parents to find connection and joy in their students' journey.

## Parent Education Committee Mission (con't)

- The Parent Education Committee (PEC) plans, organizes, and promotes parent education events, gatherings, and initiatives to build and support the Seattle Academy community. The PEC is a sub-committee of the Seattle Academy Parent Association.
- How to get involved: For more information about PEC programs or about joining the committee, contact Parent Education Chair Julie Nicholls at <a href="mailto:juliesnicholls@gmail.com">juliesnicholls@gmail.com</a> or Seattle Academy's Communications Director <a href="mailto:Sheila Hanrahan">Sheila Hanrahan</a>.



### 2019-2020 Calendar Overview

#### Parent Education All-School Presentations

- 6:30 PM reception; 7:00 PM program
- Arts Center
- October 17: Dr. Laura Kastner
- **April 7**: TBA

### Parent Education Forums

- 6:30 PM reception; 7:00 PM program
- Middle School Commons
- January 14: Upper School
- March 11: Middle School



# Parent Education Committee Meetings

8:30-9:30 AM Thursdays 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue Conference Room

- September 5
- October 3
- November 14
- December 5
- January 9 (to be held at Café Presse)
- February 6
- March 5
- April 2
- April 30 (end of year celebration)



# Parent Association Budget 2019-2020 (Not Yet Finalized)

Activity Fee	\$35.00					
					Balance for Class	
	Students	% of Student Body	Paid Activity Fee	All School Expense Allocation	<b>Events</b>	Total
6th Grade	112	11.93%	\$3,920	\$1,920	\$2,000	\$3,920
7th Grade	115	12.25%	\$4,025	\$1,972	\$2,053	\$4,025
8th Grade	108	11.50%	\$3,780	\$1,852	\$1,928	\$3,780
9th Grade	172	18.32%	\$6,020	\$2,949	\$3,071	\$6,020
10th Grade	160	17.04%	\$5,600	\$2,743	\$2,857	\$5,600
11th Grade	146	15.55%	\$5,110	\$2,503	\$2,607	\$5,110
12th Grade	126	13.42%	\$4,410	\$2,160	\$2,250	\$4,410
Total	939	100.00%	\$32,865	\$16,100	\$16,765	\$32,865



# Admissions Volunteer Opportunities

#### Open Houses (October and November)

- Middle School Open Houses Oct 5<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am & Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 2:00 pm
- Upper School Open House Oct 5<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am & Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 2:00 pm
  - · Greet, answer questions, mingle with prospective families
  - Need 10-12 volunteers per event

#### Prospective Student Visit Days (October-December)

- Greet, answer questions, mingle with prospective families
- Need 3-4 volunteers per day

#### Admitted Families Welcome Events

- Greet, answer questions, mingle with admitted families
- Need 4-6 volunteers per event

#### New Family Welcome Events

- Greet, answer questions, mingle with admitted families
- Need 10-12 volunteers per event

#### Summer New Family Welcome Calls

- Assist with calling ~10 new families during the summer to welcome them to SAAS and answer any questions.
- Need 10-15 volunteers



# Faculty & Staff Support Volunteer Opportunities

- Logo Wear Sales (September, December, April)
  - Fall Mania September 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Basketball Mania December 20th
  - Upper School New Parent Welcome Night April 2020
  - Middle School New Parent Welcome Night April 2020
  - \*\*Need 5-10 Volunteers per Event
- Holiday Gift Baskets (December)
  - Assist with purchasing items (4-5 volunteers)
  - Sorting and counting donated Items (4-6 volunteers with 1 leader)
  - Assembling Baskets on the evening of December 20<sup>th</sup> (15-20 volunteers)
- Ski Bus (January-February)
  - Chaperone weekly ski bus (2-4 volunteers per Sunday)



# Grade Level Volunteer Opportunities

### Lead Class Representative for Grade

- Liaison between SAAS and grade level PA reps
- Help lead parent volunteers for grade & make sure tasks are being completed
- Coordinate class emails (notices & reminders) with Sheila Hanrahan
- Provide monthly check-in updates to Heather Enoki (heather.Enoki@Hotmail.com)
- Provide overall feedback to the PA at the end of the year

### Parent Coffees/Socials - Organize events for parents

- Determine frequency of events
- Pick dates and venues
- Arrange speakers if necessary
- Coordinate logistics for events and communicate appropriately



# Grade Level Volunteer Opportunities (cont.)

- Friday Treats for Faculty & Staff (6-11<sup>th</sup> grade)
  - Obtain class lists from Sheila Hanrahan
  - Create master schedule and assign families to a specific date to bring Friday treats
  - Send master schedule to Sheila along with intro Friday Treats email.
     Sheila will send this first Friday Treats email to all grade-level families.
  - Send weekly reminder email to families who are scheduled to bring treats for that week
- Community Service (New Category)
  - Assist with calling & identifying various places for group/family volunteer opportunities.
  - Opportunities can be open to students only or families.



# Grade Level Volunteer Opportunities (cont.)

- Parent Potlucks (6-8<sup>th</sup> grade; 9-12<sup>th</sup> grade optional)
  - Work with your class PA team to determine the best approach for potlucks for the school year
  - Solicit volunteers to host potlucks from grade
  - Coordinate a date for each host to host the event
  - Determine the potluck theme: Some hosts prefer to make it a brunch, potluck dinner, happy hour with apps/drinks, etc.
  - Send each host a parent list of emails for their guests
  - Instruct hosts to provide the necessary information in their invite emails to guests.



# Grade Level Volunteer Opportunities (cont.)

#### Parent Socials at SAAS

- Establish a budget
- Purchase food and drinks for event
- Setup and clean up event

#### Parent Socials outside of SAAS

- Establish a budget
- Pick a date and venue
- Coordinate food/drinks
- Draft invitation with event information
- Finalize all logistics & communicate appropriately



# Student Specific Volunteer Opportunities

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade "End of Year" Party
- 7th Grade Organize & Host 8th Grade "moving up" Reception
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade 8<sup>th</sup> Grade "Moving up" Party
- 9th Grade Family Community Service Day
- 11th Grade Planning for 12th grade graduation after party



# Seattle Academy Parent Association Website & Resources

### Seattle Academy Website:

- Accessible for all SAAS parents
- Basic information about the Parent Association
- Key contacts
- Volunteer opportunities

- Seattle Academy PA Google Website (in progress):
  - Accessible for active PA members
  - More detailed information about the PA:
    - PA forms
    - Feedback from past events
    - Budgets
    - Key Contacts
    - Volunteer assignments



## **Next Steps:**

#### Grade-Level Discussions

- Assign tasks for each grade level responsibility
- Turn in form to Heather Enoki

### Task-Level Discussions – (if time allows)

- Meet in groups based on the following tasks to share contact information & past experiences:
  - Lead Class Reps
  - Parent Coffee/Socials
  - Parent Potlucks
  - Parent Socials
  - Community Service

