

# Meet Your PTA!

**Ariel Gilligan - President**  
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I joined the PTA to feel more connected to Emerson, and I want my voice to be heard. I've loved every single one of my kid's teachers, and I feel that being part of the PTA will help me support them. My son is in 2nd grade this year. I got a bachelor's degree in Marine Biology from CSULB, and I work for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. My son and I absolutely adore nature, and we love hiking, camping, and identifying different plants and animals together.



**Jackee Eggleston - Vice President**  
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I joined the PTA because I believe creating community is critical to our children's development. Being a member allows me to help rather than sit on the sidelines and wait. I have a 1st grader at Emerson and a 6th grader in Ocean View.



**Jenna Samuels - Recording Secretary**  
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I joined the PTA to help bridge the communication gap between the PTA, teachers, and families that attend Emerson. My goal is to instill a sense of community in my children and actively engage in programs that help them thrive. I have a 1st grader at Emerson and a 4-year-old in Pre-K who will be attending Emerson next year.



**Kim Irons - Treasurer**  
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I joined the PTA Board to be more involved in the school community and to help with what was needed to keep PTA going strong for our students and teachers. I have a 4th grader at Emerson and a 6th grader at Stanford.



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**Elisa Lima - VP of Activities**  
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I joined because I saw a need for volunteers in order for PTA events like the Back to School Bash, Trunk or Treat, Sweetheart Dance, and the End of Year Party to continue. They are part of what makes the Emerson experience so memorable and fun for our kiddos. Please email me if you can help on a committee! I'm a psychotherapist with a nearby private practice and my husband is an 11th grade English teacher. My girls are Lilia, in 4th grade at Emerson, and Eva, starting 6th grade at Stanford.

**Janet Smith - VP of Fundraising**  
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I joined the PTA to be part of a community and contribute to the positive experiences on campus. I have a 1st grader at Emerson and a Preschooler.



**Tricia Leard - VP of Membership**  
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I joined PTA to be an informed parent and in order to contribute more to the student atmosphere/activities on campus. I have a 4th grader and a 1st grader at Emerson. We're an active family who enjoys being outdoors finding new places to explore.



**Kay Snyder - Parliamentarian**  
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As a school of choice family, I love that being a part of the PTA brings us closer to the community and I look forward to helping make everyone's experience at Emerson a wonderful one! Our daughter Scout is a kindergartener at Emerson. My wife, daughter and I live in Lakewood.



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