



Bear Creek Campus PTSA



Next PTSA General Membership Meeting:

**Thursday, January 11th, 2024
6.30pm-8pm on Zoom**

The PTSA Committee Chairs will be adding flyers to the PTSA Bulletin Board in the Family Lounge starting in January 2024. Keep an eye out there for information about upcoming PTSA activities!

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Year In Review

In May 2023, the PTSA elected an entirely new Board of Directors. The Board is comprised of volunteers willing to serve the BCC community. In addition to the Board, we have been fortunate to have other members of our community step up to volunteer as committee chairs and on committees. Working together this school year, alongside the BCC community, the PTSA has been able to host Trunk or Treat and Winterfest, five excursions to provide experiential learning opportunities, clubs such as the newly formed Prehistoric Creatures Club, staff stipends and sponsored funding to support students' learning in the classrooms at BCC, staff appreciation meals, and a food drive to support our BCC families over winter break.

Thank you to all of our volunteers and to our BCC community! We look forward to seeing you at more PTSA sponsored activities in 2024!





PTSA Events & Excursions



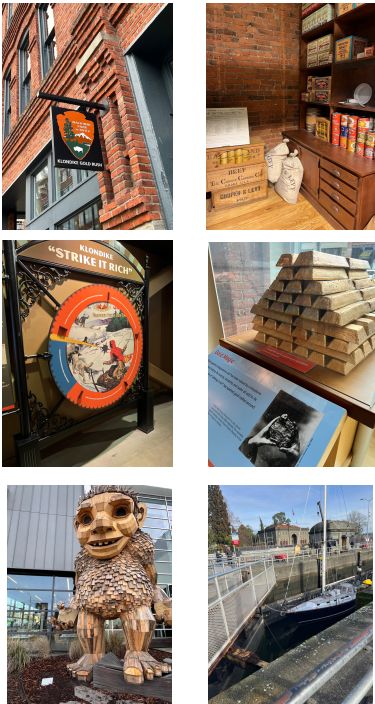
December PTSA Activities

It has been another fun filled month! A huge thank you to Alice Blandin and the Silcox Family for making Gingerbread Houses at Winterfest possible!

12/7 Winterfest Community Event

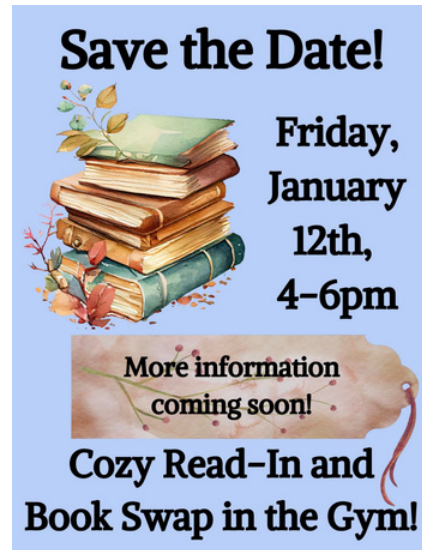
12/8 Klondike Gold Rush Museum Excursion

12/15 Frankie Feetsplinter & Ballard Locks Excursion

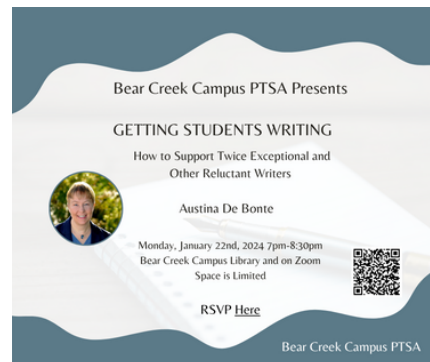


Upcoming PTSA Events

*Friday, January 12th 4pm-6pm
Cozy Read-In and Book Swap
BCC Gym*



*Monday, January 22nd 7pm-8:30pm
Community Education Event
Austina De Bonte
BCC Library and Zoom*



One of the most challenging academic areas for twice exceptional students is writing. Learn the five root causes of writing challenges, how to identify what's going on, and how to support each one. This session synthesizes methods used by Bridges Academy as well as private tutors, and is full of practical tips and techniques that can be used at home or in the classroom.

Sign Up [Here](#)

Stay tuned for more events coming soon!

Upcoming PTSA Excursions

*Friday, January 5th 11am-12pm &
Friday, January 12th 11am-12pm
Recology Facility Group Tour*

Join us to learn about how recycled materials are processed! We will view the machinery from the education/viewing room, watch an informational video, be able to ask questions of our tour guide, and participate in a recycling themed activity.

These excursions are full. To add your name to the waitlist, please email secretary@nfpptsa.org for 1/05 and excursions@nfpptsa.org for 1/12.



*Wednesday, January 24th 11am-1pm
MOHAI Group Tour*

Join us to tour the Museum of History and Industry. We will participate in a scavenger hunt around the museum and MOHAI educators will be available to answer students' questions.

[Sign Up Here](#)



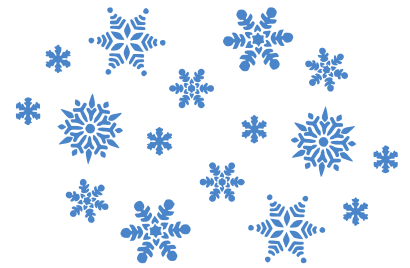
*Friday, February 2nd 10am
Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium*

Join us at Point Defiance to see the animals! Exhibits include the Arctic Tundra, Pacific Seas, Asian Forest, Rocky Shores, and more. We have received the group rate, which means tickets are discounted compared to regular admission.

[Sign Up Here](#)



PTSA Clubs

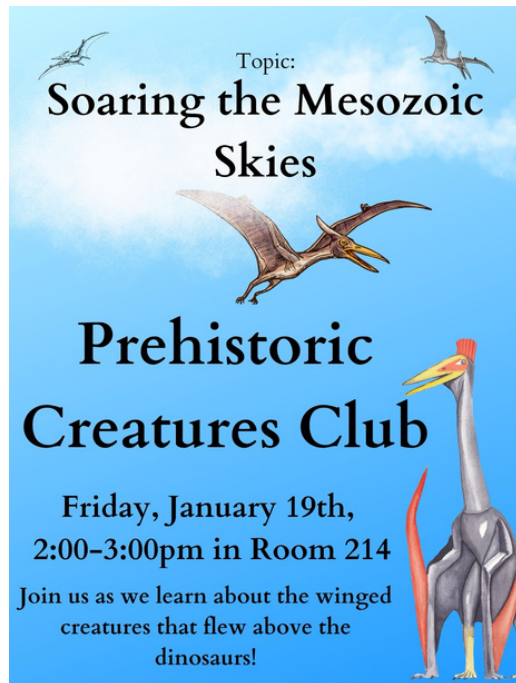


Prehistoric Creatures Club

The Prehistoric Creatures Club held their second meeting on 12/08, focusing on the Mesozoic seas. Students learned about the mosasaurus, megalodon, archelon, liopleurodon, and plesiosaur. They got to study a fossil, create their own creatures out of clay, play with creatures in water beads, search for a shark tooth to bring home, complete dinosaur themed puzzles and coloring sheets, and more!

Mark your calendars with the upcoming meeting dates (2-3pm, Room 214):

1/19, 2/9, 3/15, 4/19, 5/10, 6/7



If you are planning to attend on January 19th, please sign up [here](#)

The **Earth Savers Club** is looking for a second Level 2 volunteer. If you are interested in supporting this club, run by Jennifer Hoof, please reach out to our Clubs Chair, Kelsey McClintock: enrichment@nfppts.org

Interested in starting a club?

Contact our Clubs Chair, Kelsey McClintock, for more information
enrichment@nfppts.org



Fundraising

A huge thank you to all who joined us at our QDOBA and MOD Pizza fundraisers in November and December!

Upcoming Fundraisers

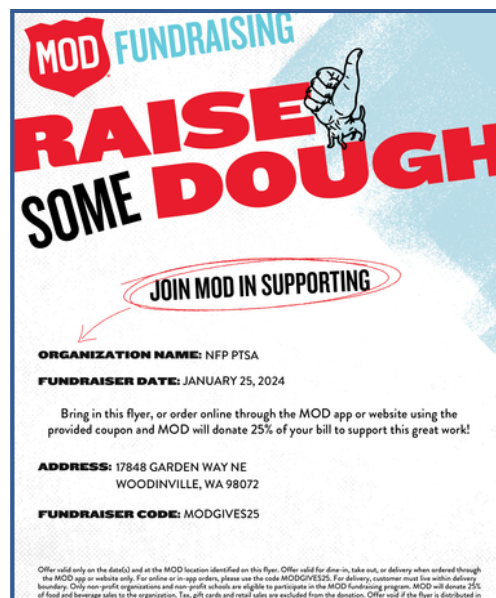
Thursday, January 25th

All Day

MOD Pizza in Woodinville
17848 Garden Way NE
Woodinville, WA 98072

Month of January

GotSneakers Fundraiser
BCC Family Lounge



DONATE TODAY



PTSA AT BEAR CREEK CAMPUS SNEAKER RECYCLING FUNDRAISER

Clear out old sneakers + earn
money for our PTSA!

Where:	Family Lounge
When:	January (all month long!)
What:	Drop off old sneakers & the PTSA can earn up to \$7 per pair*

*Sneakers that don't meet the criteria may not be eligible for money, but will still be recycled!

QUESTIONS? EMAIL ASHLEIGH AT VP@NFPPTSA.ORG

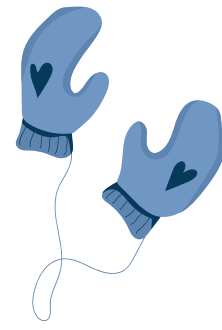
Sneaker Recycling Fundraiser

The PTSA is partnering with GotSneakers to collect used tennis shoes that you no longer need. Reusable sneakers that you donate to the fundraiser will be recirculated to secondhand markets so people can access quality, pre-owned footwear at affordable prices. All heavily used and damaged footwear is recycled to reuse materials or to convert waste into new energy. Our PTSA will receive up to \$7 per pair of athletic shoes we send in, depending on their condition.

Interested in getting involved?

We are looking for a volunteer to serve as a Fundraising Co-Chair with Varsha Agarwal and others to serve on the Fundraising Committee.
Please reach out to president@nfpts.org

Volunteers



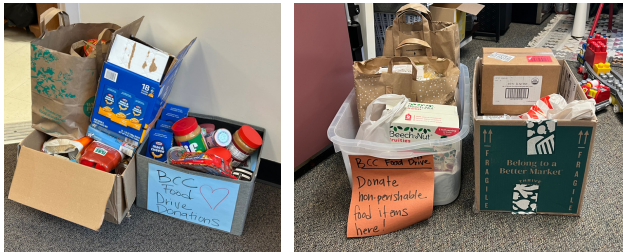
THANK YOU to our volunteers!

We would like to thank Matt Herberger, Dan Marantz, and Zeynep Reuben for volunteering their time to conduct the 2022-2023 End of Year Financial Review!

Sherry Lankston volunteered at Winterfest.
Thanks so much, Sherry!

Thank you to all who have offered to serve on the Nominating Committee! We will be voting on the committee nominations during our January general membership meeting.

And thank you to all who have lead events, excursions, and clubs so far this year!



Our PTSA Food Drive was a success!
Thank you to all who donated non-perishable food items to support BCC families in need over Winter Break. A huge thank you to our school nurse, Megan, for distributing the food, and Kelsey McClintock for organizing the drive.

Long Term Volunteer Opportunities

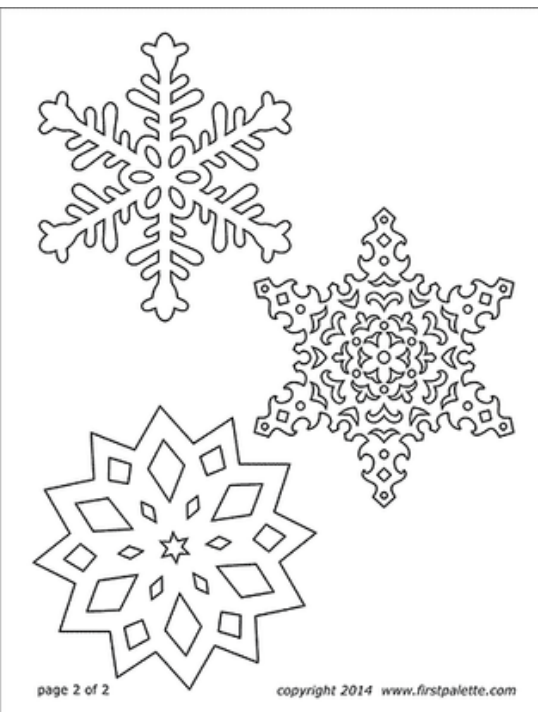
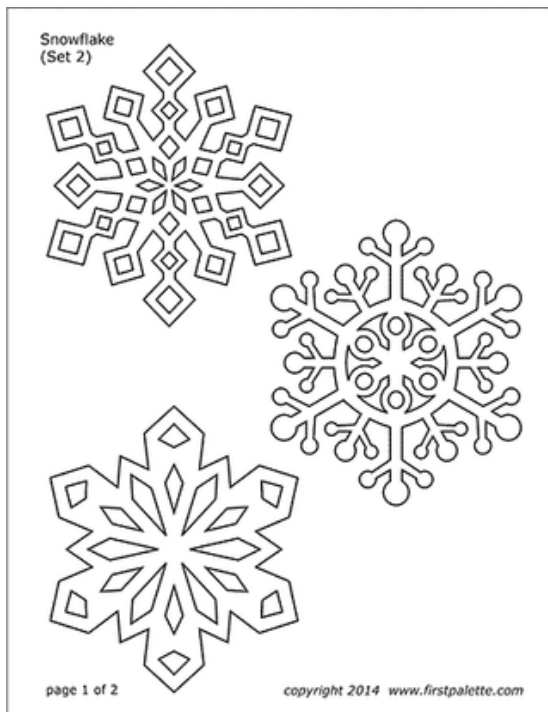
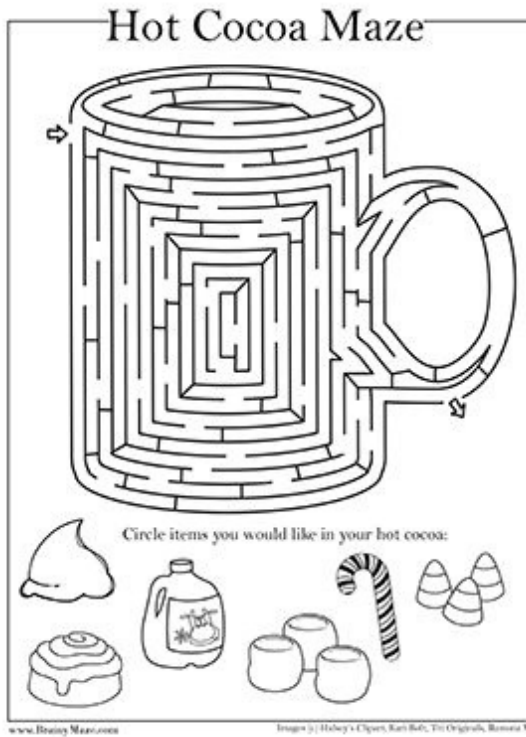
We are currently looking to fill the following chair positions:

Membership Chair
Staff Appreciation Chair
Student Appreciation Chair
Volunteers Chair

Please reach out to president@nfppts.org if you're interested!



Just for fun





Hey artists at Bear Creek Campus!

Interested in having your work published for your friends and family to appreciate?

Submit to the second annual issue of the Bear Creek's Quills of Fire Creative Arts Journal!

Send us any form of writing--poetry, short stories, informational text, journalism,-- that is 500 words or less, and/or any kind of visual art that can be represented on the page (photographs of 3d art or lego sculptures...or anything, really!) and is school appropriate will be accepted! All submissions will be included.

Printed copies of the magazine will be added to the school library and available for families to purchase from Canva around mid-February.

Please submit work or any questions to bcquillsoffire@gmail.com by January 31st, 2024.

We are a community of artists!