



Hey Willow Glen Families and Caregivers!

Welcome (or welcome back) to Willow Glen Elementary! Whether you're a returning family who already knows where everything is, or you're new and still trying to figure out the drop-off line - we are so glad you're here! I'm Gini Bossenbroek, this year's WGE PTA President, and I want to officially kick off the 2026-2027 school year by inviting you to come say hello.

First things first: Join us at our Ice Cream Social!

The night before school starts, we're gathering all WGE families together for our Ice Cream Social. Come meet your neighbors, connect with other families, find your child's classroom, and learn about everything we have going on this year. It's a great way to start the year feeling connected - and there's ice cream, which makes everything better.

Save the Date - **August 5th, 4-6 pm** in the Quad (blacktop near the school cafeteria)

New or TK/K families - we especially want to see you!

We have New Family events planned throughout August, and we'd love for you to be there! Join us on 8/2 2pm for a Popsicle Party and 8/9 for our Pizza Party 11:30am in Tiger Park. And don't forget to follow us on social @wgetigers to stay in the loop.

And don't miss the **New Parent Coffee Chat on August 7th**, right after drop-off. It's a relaxed chance to learn more about the school, meet the PTA, and connect with some of our staff. A great first step.

And one more thing - Bay FC on August 23rd!

Join us for a Bay FC community game on August 23rd - a fun family night out supporting the Bay Area's NWSL team. Get your tickets now - <https://www.tixr.com/groups/bayfc/sales/-934> - and \$10 from every ticket comes back to WGE!

Now, what is the PTA and why does it matter?

The PTA funds the programs that make our school genuinely great - art and field trips, social-emotional learning, hands-on environmental science, cultural events and assemblies, and classroom stipends for teachers. We also advocate for our students and build the kind of community that makes WGE feel like home.

Do you have to volunteer or go to meetings?

Nope. Joining the PTA doesn't mean you have to show up to everything or take on a big role. Your membership alone makes a difference. That said, schools don't run on their own, and every small action - joining, donating, or showing up once - adds up to something real. And be sure to get PTA events on your calendar now!

Here's how you can be part of it:



- **Join the PTA** - Your membership directly supports our school. Sign up here: <https://sites.google.com/wgepta.org/site/about-the-pta/membership>
- **Donate** - If you have capacity, our Annual Giving campaign is the most impactful way to contribute. Donate here: <https://sites.google.com/wgepta.org/site/fundraising/annual-giving>
- **Stay connected** - Follow us on Facebook/Instagram @wgetigers and join Konstella to stay in the know about all the fun: <https://www.konstella.com/cd/SHoEGK>
- **Volunteer when you can** - We have one-time, flexible, and behind-the-scenes opportunities that work around all kinds of schedules - check Konstella for opportunities.

I can't wait to see you at the Ice Cream Social and throughout the year. Let's make this a great year, Willow Glen!

Gini Bossenbroek

PTA President, Willow Glen Elementary