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## NEWS from the PTSA

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### New This Year! Order Pre-Assembled Comfort Kits!

In order to ensure your child's comfort should an emergency situation arise during school hours, Endeavour is asking that **each child bring a Comfort Kit (a one gallon size Ziploc bag filled with comfort items) to school.** In the past, parents have been required to purchase all components and assemble their children's Comfort Kits. This year, the PTSA is offering you the option to buy a pre-assembled Comfort Kit! Please print out the [order form](#) or look for order forms at Curriculum Night or in your children's backpacks this week!

If you wish to assemble your own Comfort Kit, you may use last year's list, available in the school office and on both the Endeavour and the PTSA websites.

If you have questions, contact Miranda Cantine ([cantine5@yahoo.com](mailto:cantine5@yahoo.com)) or Theresa Larsen ([theresalarsen@yahoo.com](mailto:theresalarsen@yahoo.com)).

### Reflections Kickoff

Reflections is kicking off on Monday September 28th! **The theme this year is "Beauty Is..."**. All students will receive an entry form on Friday 9/25. If you would like to participate in Reflections, simply fill out the highlighted student info portion of the form and return it to your teacher for the complete Reflections Entry Packet. Extra Entry Packets are also available in the office.

Did you see the trophies in the display case in the front hall? We will be awarding them to 12 Endeavour students this year! All Visual Arts and Photography entries will be displayed on the walls in the main hallway of the school. We will also pass out popsicles at lunch one day in November to all of the participants. There will be a **Reflections Ceremony to celebrate ALL participants in the program on Monday November 9th from 6:30-8:00pm.** Please note: We will NOT be calling the winners this year so you will want to make sure that you attend the ceremony on November 9th!

Submit all entries to the office any time between now and Monday October 26th.

**The deadline to receive entries is Monday October 26th.** Questions? Call Heather Stambaugh, 425.837.3777, [heatherstambaugh@msn.com](mailto:heatherstambaugh@msn.com), or Chris Leznek, 425.392.4533, [cleznek@hotmail.com](mailto:cleznek@hotmail.com).

### Calendar of Events

- Sept. 28 Reflections Kick-Off
- Sept. 30 PTSA General Mtg
- Oct. 8 Fall Back-To-School BBQ/Walkathon
- Oct. 9 Vision and Hearing Testing
- Oct. 9 Popcorn Friday

### Mark Your Calendars...

- Oct. 20 School Picture Day
- Oct. 28 Skate King
- Nov. 3-4 Parent/Teacher Conferences

### Popcorn Fridays

Do you love coming to school and smelling popcorn on Fridays? Would you like to help make that happen more often? **Volunteers are needed to prepare and sell popcorn on Popcorn Fridays.** There are two shifts: 10:30-12:00 and 12:00-1:30. Volunteers need to be PTSA members and must have filled out the volunteer background check. If you are interested, please contact Lina Frankovich at [jlmfrank@comcast.net](mailto:jlmfrank@comcast.net). **The next Popcorn Friday will be Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>.**

### Art at Endeavour

Are you passionate about Art? Would you be interested in working with the PTSA to develop a new art program at Endeavour? If you have creative ideas and would like to be on a team of people dedicated to improving the Art Docent program at Endeavour, please email Leslie Brown or Kerry Hemphill at [leslie.e.brown@comcast.net](mailto:leslie.e.brown@comcast.net) or [lvmy4kds@comcast.net](mailto:lvmy4kds@comcast.net)

## Reserved Parking Spot Auction

**Avoid parking problems at Endeavour!** Beginning on Wednesday, September 23rd at Curriculum Night, a silent auction will open for the two reserved parking spots in front of the school. You may bid until 6:00 pm on Thursday, October 8th - the night of the Back to School BBQ and Walkathon. The minimum bid is \$100. Look for the bidding form on the hallway wall near the front entrance of the school. If you have questions, contact Miranda Cantine ([cantine5@yahoo.com](mailto:cantine5@yahoo.com)) or Theresa Larsen ([theresalarsen@yahoo.com](mailto:theresalarsen@yahoo.com)).

## Math Olympiad

Endeavour's Math Olympiad team is open for registration until September 28th. The session will begin in October with a cost of only \$10 per child. Only 4th and 5th grade students are eligible to participate. There will be five monthly math contests from November to March. It should take no more than one hour per month to participate in the contests.

Parents will work with their kids at home for contest preparation. One hour per week after school coaching sessions may be provided if there are parent volunteers for the coaching role. We will also need ten more volunteers to help make this program successful. Math expertise is not a requirement for our volunteers. We cannot move forward if we do not have enough assistance from you! ***Space is limited to the first 35 students who register.*** Please email Barbara Wood at [barbara@5woods.com](mailto:barbara@5woods.com) if you are interested in registering your child and/or volunteering your time.

## Banking Days Are Back

**Student Banking Returns to Endeavour!** First Mutual/Washington Federal Bank has stepped up to the plate by launching a new student banking program. (Chase Bank is not continuing the school savings program that WAMU established decades ago) I am working with the branch in Sammamish, located at 336 228th Ave NE, Suite 100. Each family should have received one flyer in a First Day Packet. **When you open a Student savings account with \$5.00, they will match it!** What a great way to start learning the benefits of saving money!

I am also looking for parent volunteers to assist with banking days once or twice a month from 10:30- 12:20. Banking days will be the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month, same as last year. Please turn in enrollment form and opening \$5 deposit to the main office. Additional enrollment forms are in the main office. If you have any questions, please contact me, Teresa Czaja, Banking Day Chairperson, 425-961-0140 [teresaskate@comcast.net](mailto:teresaskate@comcast.net)

## Important Event: School Board Candidate Forum

**Date: Monday, October 12, 2009**

**Time: 7:00-8:00 p.m.**

**Place: Pacific Cascade Freshman Campus Commons**

**Format:** This is a forum and not a debate. Questions will be drawn at random and asked of individual candidates. There will be a two-minute time limit for each answer. If you would like to ask a question of the candidates, please email those questions to Heather Gillette at [heathergillette@hotmail.com](mailto:heathergillette@hotmail.com). **Questions are due by October 5.** Sponsored by the Issaquah PTSA Council

## **PARENT EDUCATION**

## Food Allergy Education Seminar

Mark your calendar and don't miss out on this great seminar! **Hilary Stephens with the Seattle Children's Food Allergy Community Health Education Program will be presenting a seminar on food allergies.** The purpose of her work is to increase awareness about food allergy prevention and treatment. Hilary will discuss what is a food allergy, how to treat a reaction and where allergens can "hide". This is extremely valuable information for parents of children with allergies, as well as for parents of children with no allergies. Become educated on this important topic and learn to create a safe environment for all children.

**Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM**

**Grand Ridge Elementary, Multi-purpose Room/Commons**

**FREE**

Questions? Please contact Jessica Burles, VP of Programs, at [grptsavpprograms@gmail.com](mailto:grptsavpprograms@gmail.com)



## Join us for the Social Event of the Season!

**Endeavour's 1st-ever Back to School BBQ & Walk-a-thon!**  
**Thursday, October 8th, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

### **We Need Your Help...**

It takes over 100 volunteers to make this event great! **Help us with set up from 1:00 – 3:00, clean up from 6:00 – 6:30, or during the event: 1<sup>st</sup> shift: 3:00 – 4:30 or 2<sup>nd</sup> shift: 4:30 – 6:00.** Opportunities to help with lap tables, concessions, class coordinators, course monitors and more. Please contact Stacy O'Daffer at [stacycodaffer@yahoo.com](mailto:stacycodaffer@yahoo.com) to sign up to help!

**This is a BBQ and we need some great grillers and a few grills!** If you are good with a spatula or tongs, have a grill you could deliver or the transportation means to help pick up/deliver the grill of others, please contact Kristi Jenkins at [chris\\_kristi@comcast.net](mailto:chris_kristi@comcast.net).

**We need a stage for the band (12'x16').** If anyone has any connections (church, work, personal?) that could save us a few \$, please contact Lori Jensen at [lajensen@comcast.net](mailto:lajensen@comcast.net).

**We'd love to have a few dining gift certificates to use as Shuttle Bus raffle prizes.** If anyone would like to make a donation, please contact Julie Spieker at [julie.spieker@comcast.net](mailto:julie.spieker@comcast.net).

### **Come Hungry!**

The grills will be fired up! Plan to bring the whole family for an afternoon of great food, live music and a back yard full of fun!

Meals include choice of chips or potato salad and choice of water, juice box or soda

<b>Grilled Hot Dog Meal</b>	<b>\$4</b>
<b>Grilled Hamburger Meal</b>	<b>\$5</b>
<b>Grilled Gardenburger Meal</b>	<b>\$5</b>
<b>BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich Meal</b>	<b>\$6</b>
<b>Warm McDonald's Apple Pie</b>	<b>\$1</b>
<b>Jamba Juice</b>	<b>\$2</b>
<b>Candy, drink &amp; snack concessions</b>	<b>\$1</b>
<b>Popcorn</b>	<b>25¢</b>



## A Few Reminders...

Your Spirit Templates & Permission/Donation Envelopes should already be turned in. If they are not, turn them in to the office or your teacher ASAP! Please complete and turn in an envelope even if your child is not participating so we know exactly who stays and who goes home that day.

Parents, if you are not present at the Walk-a-thon, a supervising adult who is NOT a teacher must be responsible for your child (except for Jaguar Club students). If you did not indicate a supervising adult on your envelope and need to, please contact Julie Spieker at [julie.spieker@comcast.net](mailto:julie.spieker@comcast.net).

### **Does Your Employer Have A Matching Funds Program?**

To double your contribution, please consider matching your donation to the walkathon. In addition, you can match any "donation" made to the PTSA at Taking Care of Business. Please only submit a matching request for the actual donation. At the present time, please do not include logo wear, yearbook and membership fees. Contact your HR department to check for online or paper procedures. Please note, most companies require a \$25 minimum donation. Questions? Contact [endeavourmatchingfunds@hotmail.com](mailto:endeavourmatchingfunds@hotmail.com)



### **Parking and Shuttle Information**

**Important: the shuttle will be using the parking lot at PCFC for this event!**

The PTSA will be offering a **FREE SHUTTLE BUS** during the BBQ/Walkathon on October 8th. Avoid the parking perils of the Issaquah-Fall City Road, and ride the Shuttle with your friends.

**The bus will begin its first trip at Pacific Cascade Freshman Campus parking lot at 3:15** and will continue going back and forth to the Endeavour parking lot on a routine basis.

If our lot fills up, please be safe and consider using the shuttle. **Riders will be entered into a drawing for two \$25 Domino's Pizza gift cards!**

# SCHOOL NEWS

## Vision & Hearing Screening

**Volunteers are needed to help with student vision and hearing screening on Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am to 12:00.**

Contact Maureen Vincent at: [maureen.vincent@comcast.net](mailto:maureen.vincent@comcast.net) or 425-557-9629 if you can help. (PM shift may be added)

## Ride The Bus To Protect Classroom Dollars!

**We need all regular bus riders to make sure to ride the bus from Monday, Oct. 5, through Friday, Oct. 9.** That's when drivers will count each student who rides the bus in the morning and each student who rides the kindergarten bus at midday.

These rider numbers determine the amount of funding our Transportation Department receives from the State of Washington. Already, we use local levy dollars (about \$3 million last year) to backfill the gap in transportation funding because the state's formula does not cover actual costs. The levy dollars also directly fund classroom expenses, such as curriculum and salaries.

**So by ensuring all regular bus riders are on the bus during the "count" week, our District can recoup the maximum amount of transportation funding to which we are entitled—and preserve more dollars for the classroom.**

## Bus Passes

Bus passes can now be issued for students to ride home on the bus with friends. **Passes can be issued by sending a note to school with your student on the day he/she needs to ride the bus with a friend.**

Please visit the Endeavour website [www.endeavour.issaquah.wednet.edu](http://www.endeavour.issaquah.wednet.edu) for a printable bus pass request. Requests should be brought to the office at the beginning of the school day and students may pick up their passes during their lunch recess.

## 2009 Holiday Program To Help Families In Need

There will not be a separate District Holiday Program this year. If your family is in need of some extra assistance in terms of food, clothing, necessities, please contact Endeavour's school nurse, Mary Sue Payne at 425-837-7371.

The Food Bank program fills up quickly so be sure to contact Mary Sue before the end of October to obtain information on the Issaquah Food Bank Holiday Program.

## Important Information About Parking At Endeavour

Our goal is to keep everyone safe when attending events at Endeavour. On occasion families may have to park on SE Issaquah Fall City Road when the parking lot is full. **Please remember that your vehicle must be parked on the inside of the white line.** Parking outside of this white line is hazardous and the King County Sheriff will ticket vehicles parked in an unsafe manner. We appreciate your cooperation.