PAINLESS FUNDRAISING

Want to support programs at Wilson without spending anything extra? Scrip is the easiest fundraiser around. Scrip is discounted gift cards—Wilson PTA receives the difference between the face value and the discounted price you pay.

With traditional scrip you receive gift cards for national and local vendors, including Fred Meyer and New Seasons. Orders are placed weekly. An order form is included in this packet.

E-scrip is another easy something-for-nothing fundraiser. Sign up as a supporter of Wilson High School PTA (be sure to get the right Wilson) and register your credit and debit cards just once at escrip.com, then when you shop using those cards you earn money for Wilson PTA. E-scrip generates money for PTA in three ways: use your registered cards at participating local merchants (including Zupan's and Market of Choice; see escrip.com for a complete list); shop at online merchants through the escrip.com website; and sign up for escrip dining rewards. There are over 100 participating restaurants in the Portland area, including Typhoon, as well as local establishments NY New York pizza on Barbur and Porcelli's Restaurant in John's Landing.

Friends and family both locally and across the country can register as Wilson PTA supporters at escrip.com. Register your business credit cards too!

PARENT EDUCATION NIGHT

Join us for evening panel discussions three times during the school year to learn more about what you can do to help your student navigate the complex world of adolescence.

Each panel will address a range of different topics including information on drugs and alcohol, computer, video games and social media, teen behavior and development, school policies and prevention programs, and more. Time for your questions included.

Join us for a half-hour of refreshments before the presentation from 6-6:30 pm and get to know other Wilson parents and staff.

Watch your e-mail and the school website for information on location and topics for each panel.

- * Thursday, October 18th, 6:00 -8:00 pm
- **★** Thursday, February 18th, 6:00-8:00 pm
- * Thursday, April 9th, 6:00-8:00 pm

GRANT FUND

Please consider an additional donation to the PTA Grant Fund (see enclosed Membership form). Your contributions allow PTA to support programs and activities school-wide.

GRANTS AWARDED 2012-13

Scholarships for Peer Counseling program \$500

Wilson Ceramics Program purchased a new potters wheel: \$800

College Career Center \$1500

The first grant cycle of the school year will be in the fall. The proceeds of the auction in April will define the funds available for the PTA to use for the spring grant cycle.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

The PTA sponsors scholarships of \$500 to one male and \$500 to one female at Wilson. Winners are announced prior to graduation.

PTA COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2013-2014

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Wilson High School

PTA Information Packet 2013-2014

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Complete only one per family. Return all completed forms to your student's homeroom teacher or the main office.

PTA will meet on three Mondays throughout the year (Wilson Cafeteria, 7:00 to 8:30 pm):

- * September 30th
- * February 10th
- * May 12th

Wilson PTA Executive Committee 2013-14

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VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR Matt Schiewe mattschiewe@yahoo.com Welcome to the 2013-2014 school year. With a new roof and the turf field fundraising in full swing it is time to gather at registration to prepare for another great school year! Whether this is your first year as a Wilson parent, your last year or somewhere in between the first day of school is always met with nervous anticipation, for the students as well as the parents. As a parent, I know how important it is to feel well informed about what is going on in your child's school and to feel represented and heard. The PTA strives to keep parents informed, advocate for the entire parent community, and provides a way to make a difference in your child's school and education experience. We all want our children to have high school experiences that prepare them for the next adventure in a safe environment where they can learn and grow. Parent participation is a very important piece of this equation.

In the registration packet you will find information on the many opportunities for parent participation offered by Wilson PTA. Here are some ways you can get involved today:

Join. See the Membership form included here for instructions on how to become a member, or go to wilsonhighschoolpta.org to use a credit card.

Volunteer. There are many ways to pitch in, and volunteering is great way to get to know staff and other parents.

Support. Above and beyond your membership dues, PTA needs your financial contributions to provide support for programs school-wide. Donations are tax-deductible. Your employer may provide matching funds for time or money you contribute—be sure to ask!

A few ways to get involved this year:

- The PTA Auction raises money for activities throughout the school. Mark your calendar for April 12th, 2014 at the MJCC.
- Scrip is an easy way to contribute and doesn't have to cost you any more than your usual grocery bill.
- Wilson families can advertise their businesses to the Wilson community while supporting PTA. See the Membership form inside for more information.

I look forward to meeting and working with you this coming year! Contact your PTA Executive Board members with any questions.

Chantal Wright, Wilson PTA President

NEW! Pay your membership dues via credit card at wilsonhighschoolpta.org.

WHS 2013-14 PTA Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteering is the best way to widen your circle of friends at Wilson, and it's the easiest way to get to know staff and other parents. There are many opportunities for parents to get involved.

Choose a job from the descriptions below that fits your schedule and matches your skills and interests.

Mark your choices on the white Volunteer Sign-Up form included in this packet and return it to the school office.

Keep

this page for reference.

CONTACT MATT SCHIEWE (mattschiewe@yahoo.com) FOR MORE INFORMATION OR WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

Front Office Support

Opportunities abound in the front office between the hours of 8 am and 3:30 pm. Parent volunteers support our staff by helping with the following:

- * Greet visitors to the main office and provide general information
- * Answer school phones
- * Attendance Office support
- * Filing and photocopying
- * Registration Packet assembly (Late Summer 2013)

Academic Support

- * Wilson Career Center: Volunteers help students fulfill the Career Related Learning graduation requirement (during school hours).
- * Homework Help: Assist students with homework in the library after school (every day from 3:15-4:30 pm, with extended hours on Wednesdays and Thursdays).
- * Academic Literacy Support: One-on-one

- help for struggling readers in Mr. Boly's class.
- * Writing Center (Library): Help students with school papers, college admissions essays and applications.
- * Wilson Campus College Visits: Attend College Rep visits (held mostly in the fall), take notes for Counseling Center college files, and take attendance. Sign up for the college presentations of your choice.
- * Book Room Team: Help the Book Room Clerk handle the textbook rush at the end of the school year and at fall registration.

PTA General Support

- * PTA Clothing Center: The PTA Clothing Center, located at Marshall High School, provides clothing free of charge to PPS students in need and their families. Wilson volunteers staff the Center twice a year.
- * Dance Chaperone: An excellent chance to see inside your student's social world!
- * 8th-Grade Family Night: Parents give tours and provide information to prospective families. Be an ambassador for Wilson!
- * PTA Hospitality Committee: Be part of the

- team to provide refreshments for Teacher Appreciation and other PTA events. Needs
- * Include food donations, both store-bought and homemade, and day-of-event help (set-up, clean-up, serving food, etc.).
- * College Info Night: College information for everyone, from freshman through seniors, and their families. Volunteers needed for traffic control, etc. Hosted by the Wilson Counseling Department.
- ♣ Plant Sale: PTA fundraiser held in the spring. Bring a little green to the PTA!
- * Book Fair: A fundraiser for the Wilson Library held during Parent/Teacher Conferences (Date TBA).
- * Sample SAT: An easy but profitable PTA fundraiser that helps students prepare for the SAT.
- * PTA Scholarship Committee: Evaluate scholarship applications. Two recipients will be selected (process begins in January, concluding in May).
- * PTA Parent Education Committee: The Committee plans and hosts three Parent Education events a year. Help build community at Wilson!
- * PTA Reflections Committee: A national PTA program to encourage students to explore their artistic talent in art, music, dance, video production, and literature. Student entries are judged at the local level and winning entries advance to the sate and national level.

PTA Auction Committee

The annual all-school auction is the largest Wilson fundraiser of the year and a fun social event. Proceeds benefit the PTA Grant Fund, athletic programs, clubs, and academic activities (April 12th).

- * Procurement Coordinator: Coordinate procurement efforts of participating school groups. Does not involve procuring auction items!
- * Sport/Club/Activity Liaisons: Each group participating in the Auction must have a liaison to help coordinate procurement and ticket sales for their group.

- * Donation Coordinator: Track donated items, communicate with procurement coordinator and data entry person. Does not involve procuring auction items!
- Publicity Chair: Get the word out about our largest fundraiser to the WHS community.
- * Auction Volunteer Coordinator: Make sure volunteer needs for the Auction are met.
- ♣ Day/Night of Event Help: Just want to spend a few hours and be done? This is the job for you!

PTA Grad Night Party Committee

Grad Night 2014 is an all-night celebration free of drugs, alcohol, tobacco and weapons for WHS Seniors. Following the graduation ceremony, seniors are whisked away to a secret location for an off-the-charts fun night. Planning starts NOW!

- * Volunteer Coordinator
- * Safety Volunteers: Night of event. Make sure medical and emergency supplies are in place. Must have CPR certification or medical training.
- * Fundraising Coordinators needed for various fundraising activities.
- * Communications Coordinator
- * Night of Event: Help with decoration, activities, set-up, etc.
- * Chair for 2015: If you're interested in heading up this event next year, make the job a breeze by shadowing this year's Chairs to see how it's done.

Wilson Foundation Committee

Foundation is the only source of funds to replace teaching staff lost due to budget cuts.

* Join us as we build on last year's success! We're planning fun and fabulous events to benefit the Wilson Foundation, including the Wilson House Party Extravaganza on October 13th and special events at Harvey's Comedy Club. Get creative, have fun, and raise money for staffing needs at Wilson!