JLS PTA eNews
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Important Dates in September/October

September 30- 7th Grade Parent Coffee
October 7- 8th Grade Parent Coffee

7th Grade Parent Network Coffee

The next 7th grade Parent Network Coffee will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 30 from 8:30 AM-9:20 AM. Please contact Adam Nelson for any questions. Please watch your inbox for an email with the zoom link.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Supporting our community, together

Donations at all levels help pay for important staff positions throughout the district. Did you know that over 250 teaching and staff positions are fully or partially funded by PiE? Your support matters. Donate, pledge, or learn more about PiE today.

JLS PTA Back to School Packet

Have you looked through the JLS Back To School Online Packet yet? You’ll find important information about the school, including school forms that require signatures, the JLS PTA, and PiE. We encourage you to join our PTA and support the PTA with any donation amount that is appropriate to your family.

Everyone is invited to our general PTA meeting on Tuesday, Sept 8 from 8:30-9:30am where we will vote on the budget. Any PTA Donations this week will determine the programs and items we can support this year; we are currently at approximately 40% of our income goal.

From Principal Grierson

Principal Grierson's Weekly messages

PAUSD News
**Palo Alto PTA Council News**

**School Board Candidate Forums**

**NEW** Thur. Oct. 8th, 6:30pm - 8:30 pm - School Board Forum co-hosted with the League of Women Voters. Zoom link for the League-sponsored candidate forum. [Candidate Forum web page](#) or [School Board Forum link](#).

**NEW** Elementary School Board Candidate Forum, Wed. Oct. 14th, 6:30 – 8:30 pm. Questions contact: council@paloaltopta.org Link will come in subsequent eNews issues.

**NEW** Sat. Oct. 17th, 3pm - 5pm. School Board Candidate Forum on Educational Equity & Access: the Achievement Gap and Special Education. The event is jointly sponsored by PTA Council (PTAC), Palo Alto Community Advisory Committee for Special Education (CAC), the Latino Parent Network (LPN), and Parent Advocates for Student Success (PASS). For questions, contact paloaltocac@gmail.com or council@paloaltopta.org Link will come in subsequent eNews issues.

**UPDATED** VOTE AND VOLUNTEER FOR MEASURE O

**GET A LAWN SIGN**
**HELP DISTRIBUTE LAWN SIGNS**
Support Measure O
Volunteers needed to place lawn signs in our school neighborhood. Donate online, endorse, advocate to our PTA via social channels (FB, Next Door, WeChat, Line). Thank our school PTA for supporting this. Please direct questions to our PTA President. Click here for more info [https://supportpaloaltoschools.org/](https://supportpaloaltoschools.org/) Palo Alto PTAs support Yes On O! For almost 20 years, local voter approved parcel taxes have generated over $15 million in locally-controlled funding to keep our schools strong. This measure needs 66.7 percent of voters to approve to pass, and every vote counts. Please show your support with a Lawn Sign.

**CENSUS For All Families and Community Stakeholders**

2020 is an important year for all Californians. It’s the once-per-decade time that every person in America is counted in the U.S. Census. The census asks questions that provide a snapshot of our community, state and the nation. The census affects Federal funding, and much more. Learn more! You have the power to shape the future for the children of California. If you haven’t yet been counted, please do it right away and please tell your friends, family, and neighbors. Questions? advocacy@paloaltopta.org

**PTA SUPPORTS PROPS 15 & 16 ON NOVEMBER BALLOT.**

As an advocacy organization, PTA often takes positions on legislation & ballot measures; it does not support or oppose candidates for office. California State PTA SUPPORTS Prop 15, which would provide billions of extra dollars for our schools & local government services. State PTA also SUPPORTS Prop 16, which would restore affirmative action in California.

Please register, inform yourself, and don’t forget to vote! Election day is Tue Nov 3. Vote early if you can! Prop 15 & 16 info: [https://capta.org/feature-areas/advocacy/state-ballot-measures/](https://capta.org/feature-areas/advocacy/state-ballot-measures/)

Questions? Erwin Morton, advocacy@paloaltopta.org.

California PTA Covid Resources for Parents and Families
Please click here for Community News

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