



What's Happening

Dec 14 Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI) Team Meeting (6:30pm, in-person & virtual)

Dec 15 1-hour early dismissal (start of Winter Break)

Dec 18 - Jan 1 Winter Break: No School

Jan 2 Lobby day logistics and planning (6:00pm, virtual)

Jan 5 School Leader & Caregiver Coffee (8:00am, Library)

Jan 15 PTA Lobby Day, Olympia WA

Jan 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday: No School

[Full online calendar](#)

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[Donate](#) to the McDonald PTA fundraising campaign which funds our language immersion curriculum and other enrichment programs.

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Winter After-School Enrichment Closes Sunday

Winter After-School Enrichment registration will close Sunday, 12/17 at 7pm. Here is the [class schedule](#). Prices are listed in [6crickets](#), our online registration system.



There are still openings in the following classes. Underlined classes need more students to run; you will get a full refund if a class is canceled. **Origami is a new 60-minute Friday class option.**

- Mondays: Soccer (grades 3-5), Coding Studio (3-5)
- Tuesdays: Yoga & Mindfulness (K-3), Soccer (K-2), Winter Wearables Machine Sewing (1-5)
- Wednesdays: Wizard of Oz (2-5), Bricks Challenge (1-5), Clay Magic (K-5), Floor Hockey (3-5), Hand Sewing (K-5)
- Thursdays: Hip-Pop Dance (2-5), Playdate (3-5), Lego Designers (K-2), E&D: Building with Microcontrollers (4-5)
- Fridays: Origami (K-5), Robotics (3-5), Elephant & Piggie (K-2)

Questions? Contact the [ASE Coordinator](#).

McDonald Fundraising Model Proposal

The McDonald PTA is proposing a change to our current fundraising model.

Our **current fundraising model** is structured so that the McDonald fundraising committee campaigns to raise money for two different causes, which are: 1) the McDonald PTA General Fund, which is money that McDonald PTA uses to directly pay for IAs, Guest Teachers, community events, etc, and 2) the Community Partnership Fund, from which funds are dispersed to other local SPS schools that are further away from educational justice than McDonald.

Our new proposed model would streamline this process by fundraising for **one general fund and fundshifting** 10% to other schools in need. You can read more about [fundshifting](#).

We will hold an online Question and Answer Session about the proposal to change our current fundraising model on **December 14th, at 6:00PM** the McDonald lunchroom and via [Zoom](#), during the DEI meeting. See below for information on childcare.

The vote on this Proposal will be held on January 22nd, at the PTA General Meeting.

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Social Justice Team Meeting

This next McDonald Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI) Social Justice Team Meeting will also serve as a community Q&A about the fundraising model proposal (see email sent to McDonald families on December 3rd).



Thursday, December 14 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in McDonald Lunchroom. The meeting will be HYBRID, so folks can join by [Zoom](#) if it's more convenient.

We'll provide food and child care!

- All are welcome to bring a dish to share if they wish, but it's totally optional.
- [SignUpGenius link for anyone needing child care.](#)
- [Join the McDonald PTA](#) in order to vote on this fundraising model proposal at the January 22nd General PTA Meeting (scholarships are available).

Please reach out to DEI@mcdonaldpta.org with any questions, and to be added to our [Google group](#).

<https://mcdonaldpta.org/dei>

WE NEED YOU: In the Scottie PTA

- Do you want to help build a stronger Scottie community?
- Are you someone who hasn't felt connected to the community yet?
- Are you interested in learning why Dual Language Immersion Program is at risk without stronger advocacy?
- Do you want to remove barriers that are preventing folks from accessing Scottie community resources?



If your answer is yes or maybe, please email president@mcdonaldpta.org for more information. We currently have openings in

- **Co-Treasurer** – see [job description](#)
- **Volunteers in Treasurer Committee** to support Co-Treasurers activities – see [Treasurer Job Description](#).

PTA Lobby Day on MLK Holiday

Join us for our **second lobby day logistics and prep** will be held on [Zoom](#), **January 2, 6 p.m.** for everyone who is attending lobby day to finalize our plans.

Lobby Day: Monday, January 15, MLK Holiday, 10:00 a.m. State Capitol Building, Olympia, Washington. Register [here](#).



Everyone is welcome and there will be plenty of opportunities to be involved - or just observe. Students are encouraged to join!

Let's talk about what is most important to your education values.
Budget? equity? safety? language access?

Contact danicanoble@gmail.com with questions.

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