



Coal Creek Elementary PTA NEWSLETTER



IMPORTANT DATES

NOV 21-25 No School
DEC 5 [Winter Craft Drop-In](#)
DEC 6 [Community Meeting](#)
DEC 7 [Winter Craft Drop-In](#)
DEC 11 [Winter Craft Drop-In](#)



NEXT COMMUNITY MEETING

TUES, DEC 6
6:00 - 7:00 PM

[Virtual](#)



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Winter Craft Drop-Ins - December 5, 7, & 11



Join us in the Coal Creek Elementary gymnasium for winter crafting. We will have 10 stations with materials, instructions, and help for making custom winter crafts. 5 stations will be dedicated to grade-level crafts so that families can recreate their favorite decorations.

- K - Snowman measuring stick
- 1st - Popsicle stick snowflake (w/ student's picture)
- 2nd - Paper quilt star (w/ student's picture)
- 3rd - Punny 2023 Calendar (w/ student's picture)
- 4th/5th - Giant Snowflake

Other crafts include: popsicle stick picture frame, tissue paper "colored glass" snowflake or heart, fingerprint snowman ornament, and personalized gingerbread man. We will have past school pictures on hand for 1st and 2nd-grade crafts. Hot Cocoa, Apple Cider, and Treats will be served.

We know this activity and season can be a time of big feelings, particularly as the anniversary of the Marshall Fire comes. Mental Health Advocates will be available in the event that families want a soft landing place during this community activity.

Can't make it or would prefer to do this in your home? Email Liz at esdial123@gmail.com and we can put together a take-home kit for you. We are also coordinating with SAC for their participation (always optional).

PTA Nominating Committee

We are gearing up to fill open PTA Board Positions for the 2023-2024 school year (Vice President, Treasurer, Volunteer Co-Chair). The PTA uses a **nominating committee** to select officer candidates to present to the general membership for election. The purpose of the nominating committee is to **recognize and seek qualified nominees in an unbiased and inclusive way**. If you are interested in helping to find PTA Board members for next year, please contact coalcreekelementarypta@gmail.com.

PTA Community Meeting

Couldn't make it to the meeting today? Our next PTA Community Meeting is a Virtual Meeting on **Tuesday, December 6 at 6:00 PM**. Get your questions answered and input heard. Google Meet Link: <https://meet.google.com/wof-wjhc-zjc> We will update the event agenda as the meeting approaches. Feel free to request topics/speakers by emailing CoalCreekElementaryPTA@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEERS



Thank you to everyone who brought the amazing pies for the staff. They were so grateful! It is such a fun tradition and a wonderful way for us to show how much we appreciate them!



We're looking for a co-lead volunteer for our Spring Carnival. You'll be working with Liz Dial and while we have the framework from last year you can put your own creative spin on the event! If you're curious, send us an email at coalcreekelementarypta@gmail.com

PTA Dollars at Work

This week the PTA members voted to approve the field trip bus budget from \$6,000 to \$7,700 so that we can support all the field trip bus needs this year. The previous budget was based on the assumption we could use BVSD buses for all field trips which is no longer an option for trips that are outside the hours of 9am-2pm. So where will the extra funds come from? \$500 will be reallocated from Girls Leadership (it is not operating this year) and the remaining funds will come from areas where we exceeded our budget/goals including Direct Fundraising and Corporate Sponsors.

Get to know the PTA



Carie Whalen is the current PTA Volunteer Co-Chair. She has one daughter at Coal Creek—a fifth-grader (Ella) and a seventh-grade daughter at LMS (Lydia). This will be Carie's fourth and final year on the PTA Board, and she would highly recommend trying out a position to anyone interested next year! Carie works in software sales, and loves running two Girl Scout Troops. She loves to cook, travel, play boardgames with her family, and hike. Her COVID dog, Mia can often be seen at pick up time at the top of the hill across from Coal Creek greeting kids on their way home from school.

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