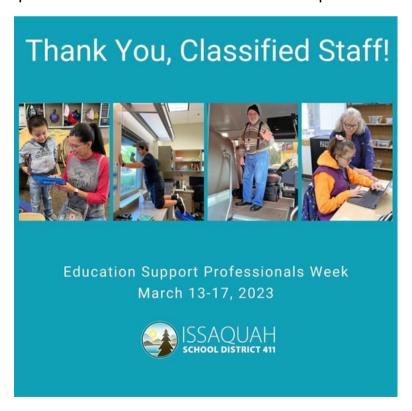


Jump in the Millennium Falcon and head to the nearest droid depot (Coyote Cafe/Gym) as you visit our Science Fair on March 22! Our student scientists/ Jedi cannot wait to share their experiments with you and your family. In addition to several outside vendors, pizza and concessions will be available for purchase. You do not need to be a participant to attend- ALL Cascade Ridge families and students are welcome to attend this epic event! Click <u>HERE</u> for more details.

We could still use a few volunteers to make this event a blast! Adults may sign up to volunteer <u>HERE</u>. Teen volunteers may sign up <u>HERE</u>.



Bring your hungriest Wookies to STEM WARS on March 22 for a delicious pizza dinner as you enjoy our student scientist displays and activities. You may pre-order a whole pizza ahead of time HERE. Pre-orders will be available through Sunday, March 19. Or, plan to grab a slice at the event (available until we run out!). We will have drinks and other snacks for purchase as well. All on-site food purchases are cash only.



This week is Education Support Professionals Week! Our classified staff members are busy supporting our students and teachers every day. Cascade Ridge is great because of the hard work of our food service workers, paraprofessionals, office personnel, nurse and custodial employees. Give them a big thanks if you see them on campus!



Our Heritage Festival is in May 2023!

Families love this chance to share their cultures and traditions with our school community. We already have representatives signed up for:
Norway, Canada, Cuba, England, Egypt, Chile, Vietnam, the Netherlands, China, Morocco, Colombia, Mexico, Indian culture, Philippines and Pakistan!

If you are interested in hosting a table, please fill out this form.



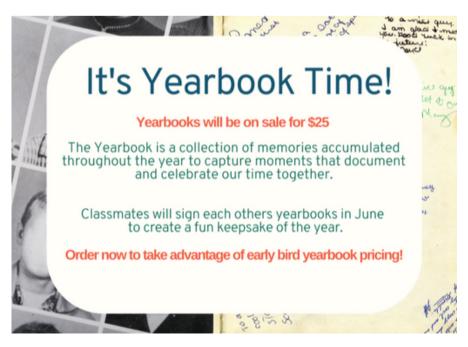
Congratulations to this outstanding Coyote for winning his category in the Washington State PTA Reflections competition. Isaac received an award for "Outstanding Interpretation" for his literature submission entitled, "Isaac's Brain." Of his achievement, Isaac said, "I hope other kids find it inspiring!"

Isaac's piece will now advance to the national level of the PTA Reflections competition where his essay will be judged with works from all over the country.

Congratulations and good luck, Isaac. We are so proud of you!



Washington State PTA recognizes Cascade Ridge PTSA with the Bronze Membership Growth Award, which is presented to PTAs who grow their membership compared to last year's numbers. That means our PTSA's voice has become louder and stronger in support of our children. Thank you to everyone who has become a member so far this year. YOU are the reason our PTSA achieved this award. If you haven't signed up for the 2022-23 year, please consider joining today through our website.



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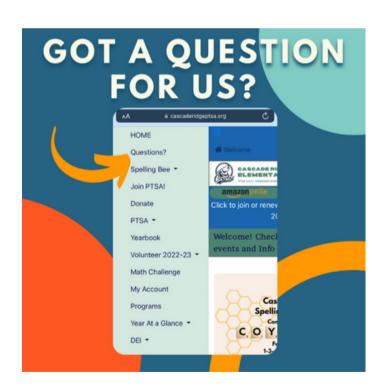
Our legislative representatives, Nigar Suleman and Qibo Fan, attended meetings with legislative staff this month. There, they shared personal stories from our special education families in an effort to encourage legislators to support this year's PTA legislative priorities: increases to mental health supports and special education funding and gun violence/ safety in schools. To learn more about the hard work of PTAs in Washington, visit the Washington State PTA advocacy webpage. Thank you, Nigar and Qibo, for your commitment and courage in advocating for our students and educators. And, thank you to our special education families for sharing your stories.



Check out our newest Culture Corner display to learn more about Holi. Holi was celebrated on March 8 by many of our families, and the Garg family did a wonderful job creating this bulletin board to share this holiday with our community.



Our March Accessibility Board features our wonderful PTA Reflections competition student artists! Through art, ALL students can express themselves in creative and unique ways and we are delighted to share the works of some of our brave coyotes! You may view the rest of our board display on our website. All student art compositions in ISD may be viewed HERE.



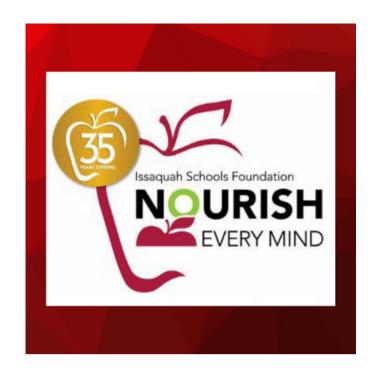
Do you have a question you'd like us to forward to Ms. Sehlin on your behalf? Is there a question you have for the PTSA or one of our programs? Please head to our website and click on "Questions?" for a chance to be heard. Questions may remain anonymous and will be forwarded for you, but if you'd like a response, please include your email address. Someone from our PTSA board will make sure to get back to you!



Math Challenge #11 is live! Check out the solutions to previous challenges <u>here.</u>



If your family requires financial assistance with school meals and you would like to apply for free or reduced price lunches, please visit My School Apps to fill out an online application. If you prefer a paper application, you may print one of the district website on Lunch programs webpage under the section titled, "Free and Reduced Lunch Program."



Issaquah Schools Foundation's spring fundraising event is back and we're returning it to where it all began! Save the date for April 27 at the Issaquah Community Center to learn about the inspiring ways ISD students are impacted by community donations to ISF. Interested in being involved? Email infor@isfdn.org for more details.



Looking for a way to remove the winter sludge? Grab some Brown Bear Car Wash tickets and get your car nice and clean to start out 2023! You can purchase 1 ticket for \$10 or save by grabbing a pack of 5 for \$47 or 10 for \$90.

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Stay warm and dry through the winter rain and let Smith Brothers take one thing off your list with their home grocery delivery service! Sign up to receive Smith Brothers Farms on your doorstep this season and get \$15 off your first order. Use code CASRIDPTSA to activate your discount.

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Did you know ISD ranks 203rd out of 314
Washington districts in terms of funding per
student? That gap is partially covered through
local bonds and levies, but also through the
generosity of our community in supporting ISF
and local PTSAs. The Issaquah School
Foundation's Fall Step Up For Kids fundraising
campaign is coming to a close and we need
your help! Learn more about this program here
and take a moment to listen to Superintendent
Tow-Yick shared her perspective on the
importance of supporting ISF in this video.