

PTA eNews for Monday, December 10, 2018

Upcoming Events & Programs

- **December 10** - DIVE Orientation, IVE Library, 7:00-8:30pm
- **December 12** - Coffee Chat with Principal Pickard, Conference Room, 9:15am
- **December 12** - PTA Holiday Choir Dress Rehearsal, MPR, 1:30-3:00pm
- **December 12** - Dual Language Program Info Night, IVE, 6:00-7:30pm
- **December 13** - Cougar Chorus/PTA Holiday Choir Performance, MPR, 6:30pm
- **December 20 - January 1** - No School, Winter Break

DIVE Orientation:

Calling all Dads and Dudes of IVE! Are you interested in helping out at recess as a volunteer? Come join us, Monday, December 10th from 7:00-8:30pm for our next DIVE orientation. The orientation is a prerequisite for participation in the program, along with a standard school district background check. We hope to see you there! More information on DIVE can be found at: <http://ivepta.org/Page/Programs/DIVE>

PTA Holiday Choir:

A reminder for the K-2nd Graders who are participants in the PTA Holiday Choir:

- 3rd/Dress Rehearsal: Wednesday, December 12, IVE MPR, 1:30-3:00pm
- Performance with Cougar Chorus: Thursday, December 13, IVE MPR 6:30pm

Enrichment Program Opportunities:

The IVE PTA organizes and offers after school programs to enrich the school experience. Please see below for our current offerings or go to <http://ivepta.org/Page/Programs/Enrichment%20Programs> for more information. If partial/full scholarship is needed for any of the enrichment programs, please contact president@ivepta.org

TechnoSmart Kids: Scratch Coding- Intermediate Level (Grades 3-5)

Learning how to code isn't just a helpful skill, it's becoming a requirement for success. When kids learn to code in Scratch, they learn important strategies and logic for solving problems, designing projects, and communicating ideas. Classes offered at IVE on Wednesdays from 1:45-2:45pm. Duration: Jan 9th-Feb 27th. Register at: www.technosmartkids.com

Crimson Canvas Arts: Focus on Perspective and 3D Drawing (Grades 3-5)

Students will learn the following skills: Drawing fundamentals - perspective and angles/3D, practice 1-Point vs. 2-Point perspective, how to sight angles and place them correctly, how to measure relationships of height and width, 3D drawing from multiple angles and perspective that applies to landscape drawings, buildings and still life. Classes offered at IVE on Fridays from 3:45-4:45pm. Duration: January 4th-March 15th. Register at: crimsoncanvasarts.com.

Coding with Kids: Little Coders (Grades K-2)

The Little Coders class will provide young students with the basics of computational thinking skills, such as loops and conditionals, through a fun blend of hands-on activities. The curriculum is built specifically for this age group, with a mix of activities from coding puzzles and board games to easy-to-use, drag and drop programming tools. Classes offered Mondays from 3:45-4:45pm. Duration: January 28th-March 25th. Register at: codingwithkids.com/session/9135.

Museo Art Academy: Exploring Clay (Grades K-5)

The simple nature of clay allows for important artistic discovery in even the youngest students. Working in a variety of clay types, students will learn techniques to construct unique sculptures while expanding their artistic comprehension of form, shape, space, texture, balance, unity and more. Classes offered on Tuesdays from 3:45-4:45pm. Duration: Six weeks sessions from January 8th-May 21st. Register at: museoart.com/ive.

Parents Night Out at Karate West:

Do your kids need a guaranteed night of fun without their parents? Do you need a guaranteed night out without your kids? Drop your kids at Parents Night Out at Karate West and support the IVE PTA! **Next PNO is Friday January 4th, 6-9pm.** The cost is \$35 per child and includes pizza dinner and supervised activities. Select IVE when you register here: <https://www.gevme.com/karate-west-parents-night-out-2018>. And if you want a guaranteed date night every month...you can sign up now for all remaining dates: January 4, February 1, March 8, April 5, May 3 and June 7!

ParentWiser presents --- DIGITAL SAFETY 101

Jo Langford, youth behavior expert for technology and sex education, reveals where kids spend and sneak their online time and how parents can monitor it for positive outcomes. Discuss the most current popular sites, and learn how to start the important conversations with kids' relationships to themselves, friends and their vast digital world. For parents of grades 3-12, register at <https://www.parentwiser.org/events> for Wed, Jan 9th at 7pm at Skyline High School Theater. Note: this is a parent-only event due to mature themes.

IVE Spirit Night at Red Robin! Yummmm!

Join us on January 10th at Red Robin Issaquah! 20% of our fundraising sales will go back to Issaquah Valley PTA. So the more people who attend, the more money we will earn. We'll see you there! Make sure you mention our fundraiser so your sales get applied to our IVE PTA. Visit redrobin.com/fundraisers for more information on Red Robin's fundraising programs.

Volunteers Needed

PTA General Meeting Childcare:

Helping with childcare will ensure a larger turn out at our PTA Meetings with more adult voices for our students. We are required to have 2 adults in the room at all times. We have Middle School student volunteers signing up to help as well. Remaining meetings

for the year will occur on the following Tuesdays at 7:00pm: January 22, March 14, and May 21. Thank you for your consideration. Sign up available here: <https://www.signup-genius.com/go/20f0e49adab23abf58-general>

Important Reminders

Last Chance for the Cougar Campaign - Now extended through December 12th!

Please go to <http://ivepta.org/Page/Fundraising/Cougar%20Campaign> to donate today. Our goal is to raise enough funds this fall to cover the costs of the wonderful programming that our kids look forward to each year. 100% of the donations received will go directly to our programs. And if your employer matches, we can double your donation!

Its a Membership Power Surge!

RENEW or JOIN today by clicking here: <https://ivepta.ourschoolpages.com/Package/Membership/FamilyInfoPacketPage/0>

Purchasing a PTA membership means having a voice for our school and showing support for students, staff and all the wonderful programs and events the PTA provides.

Please note that we also offer scholarships if needed. We can't do this without you! Contact Erin Bell at membership@ivepta.org with any questions.

Amazon Smile:

You can support the IVE PTA this holiday season every time you shop at Amazon Smile by clicking on this link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-3053876>. When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to IVE PTA. It's an easy way to support IVE while you shop!

PTA Calendar:

We have a couple of PTA calendar changes for you to note:

- Save the Date! January 25th IVE PTA will host a new IVE Community event. Let's enjoy an evening together with a pancake dinner and family game night! More information coming soon.

-March General Membership Meeting date has changed. We will now be holding the meeting on Thursday, March 14th at 7pm in the IVE Library.

Thank you to all of our amazing volunteers for your hard work in support of the IVE PTA! A special thank you to all of our wonderful committee members, volunteers and donors who helped organize and support the following activities:

- Issaquah Food & Clothing Bank Holiday Gift Barn
- IVE Family Movie Night: Incredibles 2
- PTA Holiday Choir Practices