

President's Message



**Let School Staff Know
You Appreciate Them**

By Fourth District PTA President Maureen Christensen

Now is the time of year to recognize and show our appreciation to the wonderful staff that make our schools what they are. Whether honoring teachers, staff, and administrators on separate days or all together, we need to take the time to show our appreciation to all of them.

The decision to work at a school often comes with low-to-moderate pay and around-the-clock hours. Teachers and school staff play a key role in student success, and sometimes a simple thank you helps them know they are valued.

Here are some ways to show your teachers and staff that you truly appreciate them!

Write letters and cards of appreciation.

My daughter Nicole is a high school teacher. She was facing a particularly difficult school year. One day she called me laughing and crying at the same time. A parent whose child she had taught the year before had sent her a letter. In it she told Nicole how she had touched the life of her son the year before and that because of her he had enrolled in college and was making some life changes. This letter became one of my

daughter's most prized possessions. When she is facing a difficult day she rereads that letter to remind herself that she can and does make a difference.

Show your support.

Volunteer to help in your child's classroom or at a school activity. Offer to serve on a committee or chaperone a field trip. This not only shows your child that you care; it shows your child's teacher and other school staff that you care.

Provide nutritious snacks.

There is always food in the staff lounge. But it isn't always nutritious and healthy. Help support the teachers in their quests to stay healthy. It might take a little more time on your part to think of healthy snacks, but I am sure they will be appreciated.

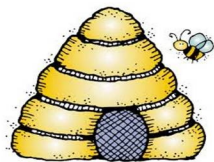
Wash cars or windshields.

Wash the staff's cars or windshields and leave a note on the clean cars telling them that you truly appreciate them!

While appreciation alone will not reduce the challenges that teachers and school staff face, it will let them know that their efforts are not going unnoticed.

Maureen

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**Creative Edge Lecture 2015:
Breakthrough! What We All
Can Learn from the World's
Greatest Innovators**

Don't miss out! The Creative Edge Lecture is coming on Tuesday, April 21 from 9:30-11:00am at the Renee and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall. Fourth District PTA is one

of the sponsoring organizations for Creative Edge Lectures. This is an excellent event to invite a school or district administrator or school board member to attend with you. It offers an opportunity to open up a discussion about the importance of instruction in the arts to our students' and our schools' success. It is also a legitimate PTA expense.

This year's lecture features Sarah Lewis. Lewis recently published *The Rise: Creativity, the Gift of Failure, and the Search for Mastery*, which discusses how our negative or failed experiences can provide the groundwork for incredible transformations.

**Tickets on sale:
Segerstrom Box office or
<http://artsoc.org/lecture.htm>**

Where do new innovations and ideas come from? In this inspirational talk, Sarah Lewis offers a new understanding of what enables creative endeavors. What really drives transformational change on both a personal and an organizational level?

From Nobel Prize-winning discoveries to new inventions, to works of art, many of our creative triumphs are not achievements, but corrections after failed attempts. Drawing on figures such as Frederick Douglass, Angela Duckworth, J.K. Rowling and others, Lewis reveals the concepts and that lead to true breakthroughs.

Dads' Involvement Strengthens PTA

By Membership Vice President Lisa Boler

There are more than 70 million fathers in the United States. That means 70 million possibilities for PTA membership, inclusion, engagement and strength for our schools and kids.

One out of every three children in America—more than 24 million in total—live in a home without their biological father present, according to a 2012 White House Fatherhood Report. Roughly one out of every three Hispanic children and more than half of African-American children live in homes without their biological fathers. When fathers are not in the home, PTA outreach becomes more important than ever.



More engaged fathers and father figures—whether living with or apart from their children—can help foster a child's healthy physical, emotional and social development. There's no doubt of the positive impact male role models can have on their children's lives.

Recruiting men as PTA members may mean rethinking how your PTA is run on a day-to-day basis.

Communicate directly to dads. Shortening messages in your communications can be more appealing to male readership.

Just ask. Nearly half of men who responded to a recent National PTA survey said they haven't gotten involved with PTA *simply because they weren't asked.*

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Benefits of Two-Way Language Immersion Programs

By Dr. Al Mijares
Orange County Superintendent of Schools

The Orange County Department of Education's vision is to prepare all students for college and career readiness, as well as lifelong success. Yet as technology and globalization make our world smaller, we must also look at our programs through an increasingly international lens.

That raises an important question: How can we prepare our students to function and compete successfully across multiple languages and cultures?

Two-way or "dual" language immersion education, which clusters English-speaking students and speakers of a foreign language, is a good start. In fact, this strategy has gained traction in recent years based on its ability to achieve bilingualism and biliteracy for students while narrowing the achievement gap.

Indeed, research indicates that by the end of grade six, students in two-way immersion programs develop proficiency in English as well as the target language. They also develop deeper bicultural awareness and perform at levels that are at or above their peers on standardized tests.



Studies show that English-learner students who participate in dual immersion programs at the elementary level are less likely to drop out of school, more likely to enroll in higher-level mathematics courses and more likely to pass the high school exit exam. Beyond the positive academic outcomes, two-way language immersion programs provide additional cognitive benefits, improving problem-solving skills, reading abilities, memory and overall mental flexibility.

Here in Orange County, we are both ethnically and linguistically diverse. More than 26 percent of our students are not yet proficient in English and speak a variety of the world's languages, including Vietnamese, Korean, Arabic, Mandarin and Spanish. Our diversity is, without question, one of our greatest strengths. But we also know that meeting the academic needs of English learners poses great challenges.

Well-executed two-way language immersion programs hold extraordinary promise, supporting the academic success of English-learners as well as their fluent-English counterparts. As we look to achieve our vision of college and career readiness and success for all students, two-way language immersion programs have the potential to build on the strength of Orange County's diverse population and support our goal to prepare all students to successfully compete and lead in the 21st century.

For additional information, and a list of Orange County schools that offer dual-language immersion programs, I encourage you to visit www.ocde.us/SSI and click on the "Dual Immersion & World Languages" link to the right of the page.

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Create men-focused groups and events. Surveys show that men prefer to volunteer for hands-on projects and dad-only events with clear expectations.

Respect men's time. Seventy percent of recently surveyed dads said time was a barrier to PTA involvement, and the majority said they wanted fewer meetings at more convenient times.

Celebrate engagement. When you start getting more men involved, it's time to celebrate! Thank dads publicly and always encourage more male membership. We're all in it together for our kids!

FOURTH DISTRICT PTA CALENDAR

April

- 1 Due date for Fourth District PTA Award Applications**
Application forms available under "forms" at www.fourthdistrictpta.org
- 16 Fourth District Board Meeting**
****No CP Roundtable****
10:00 am - noon Board Meeting
Saddleback Unified School District
25631 Peter A. Hartman Way,
Room 8C, Mission Viejo
- 16 PTA Appreciation Night**
5:30 - 7:30pm
The Discovery Cube
2500 North Main Street, Santa Ana
- 20 **NEW DATE****
Convention Delegate Orientation
9:30 am - 11:00 am
Fountain Valley School District
10055 Slater Ave., Fountain Valley
- 24 Advocacy Roundtable**
9:30-11:30 am
Fountain Valley School District
10055 Slater Ave., Fountain Valley

April 30 - May 3
California State PTA Convention
Sacramento Convention Center

May

- 1 Annual Historian Reports DUE**
Council Report, including tally of unit hours, due to Fourth District
- 12 PTA Training Workshops**
National University, Costa Mesa
Morning & Evening Sessions
- 14 Council President Roundtable**
9:30-11:00 am
Fourth District PTA Office
- 20 PTA Training Workshops**
National University, Costa Mesa
Morning & Evening Sessions
- 21 Executive Committee Meeting**
9:30am - 11:30am
Fourth District Office

June

- 4 End of Year Meeting and Awards/Installation Luncheon**
Details to come

Photography

Awards of Excellence

Primary: **G. Lock** - Los Alamitos Elementary PTA, Los Alamitos

Intermediate: **John Carlo M**

Tustin Ranch PTA, Out of Council

Middle: **C. Dickerson** - Thurston Middle School PTA, Laguna Beach

High: **T. Charbonnet** - Northwood High PTA, Irvine

Special Artist: **Z. Zubair** - Adams Elementary PTA, Harbor

Awards of Merit

Primary: **P. Kutscher** - George Patton Elementary PTA, Garden Grove

Primary: **L. Freund** - Agnes L. Smith Elementary PTA, Huntington Union

Intermediate: **S. Fulgham** - Del Lago Elem PTA, Saddleback Valley

Intermediate: **L. Burley** - Oak Grove Elementary PTA, Capistrano Unified

Middle: **G. Romulo** - Venado Middle PTA, Irvine

Middle: **D. Galasso** - Portola Hills Elementary PTA, Saddleback Valley

High: **H. Burnett** - Laguna Beach High PTA, Laguna Beach

High: **R. Lackmann** - El Dorado High PTA, PYLUC

Special Artist: **A. Van Der Meyden** - Huntington Seacliff Elem PTA, Huntington Union

Special Artist: **J. Tapia** - Edison High PTA, Huntington Union

Honorable Mention

Primary: **M. Calvillo** - Golden Hill Elementary PTA, Fullerton

Primary: **S. Sloan** - Portola Hills Elementary PTA, Saddleback Valley

Intermediate: **J. Gutierrez** - Macy Elementary PTA, La Habra

Intermediate: **O. Jacques** - Top Of The World Elem PTA, Laguna Beach

Middle: **J. Kennedy** - Juliet Morris Elementary PTA, Cypress

Middle: **L. Heine** - Dwyer Middle PTA, Huntington Union

High: **P. No** - Trabuco Hills High PTA, Saddleback Valley

High: **A. Hachigian** - Corona del Mar High PTA, Harbor

Special Artist: **K. Aurin** - Foothill Ranch Elem PTA, Saddleback Valley

Congratulations, Reflections Artists!

More than 250 PTA units at schools throughout Orange County participated in the Fourth District PTA Reflections Program this year with over 7,000 entries. Entries are judged at the local unit/school level, and the top entries are forwarded to their PTA council to be judged alongside entries from other schools in the council (usually their school district). Each PTA council selects the top entries to forward to Fourth District PTA. *Continued on page 5>>*

Film Production

Awards of Excellence

Primary: **B. Bittel** - Rose Drive Elementary PTA, PYLUC

Intermediate: **C. Adams** - Linda Vista Elem PTA, Orange Community

Middle: **A. Gocłowski** - Lexington Junior High PTA, Anaheim Sec.

High: **A. Fickman** - Laguna Beach High PTA, Laguna Beach

Awards of Merit

Primary: **A. Molin** - Philip J. Reilly Elementary PTA, Capistrano Unified

Primary: **T. Loomis** - Gates Elementary PTA, Saddleback Valley

Intermediate: **L. Gale** - Steve Luther Elementary PTA, Cypress

Intermediate: **N. Karcher** - Golden Hill Elementary PTA, Fullerton

Middle: **C. Wang** - Brea Junior High PTA, Brea

Middle: **L. Becker** - Thurston Middle PTA, Laguna Beach

High: **M. Chen** - Northwood High PTA, Irvine

High: **J. Hou** - Troy High PTA, Fullerton

Honorable Mention

Primary: **L. Jimenez** - Macy Elementary PTA, La Habra

Intermediate: **S. DeTorres** - Stonegate Elementary PTA, Irvine

Intermediate: **A. Pfeiffer** - San Marino Elementary PTA, Buena Park

Middle: **R. Sharp** - Dwyer Middle PTA, Huntington Union

Middle: **C. Ranta** - Brookhaven Elementary PTA, PYLUC

High: **G. Barajas** - El Dorado High PTA, PYLUC

High: **E. Park** - Cypress High PTA, Anaheim Secondary

Music Composition

Awards of Excellence

Primary: **K. Baird** - Plaza Vista PTA, Irvine

Intermediate: **S. Sabori** - Davis Elementary PTA, Harbor

Middle: **L. Chen** - Stonegate Elementary PTA, Irvine

High: **P. Yang** - Oxford Academy PTA, Anaheim Secondary

Awards of Merit

Primary: **D. Weizmann** - Tustin Ranch Elem. PTA, Out of Council

Primary: **I. Stone** - Newport Elementary PTA, Harbor

Intermediate: **T. Tran** - De Portola Elementary PTA, Saddleback Valley

Intermediate: **J. Lovejoy** - William E. Fanning Elementary PTA, Brea

Middle: **M. Jackman** - William E. Fanning Elementary PTA, Brea

Middle: **E. Roach** - Thurston Middle School PTA, Laguna Beach

High: **G. DeLoire** - Marina High PTA, Huntington Union

High: **C. Foley** - Canyon High PTA, Orange Community

Honorable Mention

Primary: **J. Soeda** - Agnes L. Smith Elementary PTA, Huntington Union

Primary: **D. Shiring** - Linda Vista Elementary PTA, PYLUC

Intermediate: **J. Akiyoshi** - Tustin Ranch Elem. PTA, Out of Council

Intermediate: **S. Shetye** - Westpark Elementary PTA, Irvine

Middle: **L. Crankshaw** - De Portola Elementary PTA, Saddleback Valley

Middle: **M. Vu** - McAuliffe Middle PTA, Los Alamitos

High: **B. Getter** - Corona del Mar High PTA, Harbor

High: **T. Naghibi** - Laguna Hills High PTA, Saddleback Valley



PTA REFLECTIONS

Thank you to all the hardworking Reflections chairmen at the units and councils who make this program happen!



REFLECTIONS

Theme: "The world would be a better place if..."

From 325 entries received by Fourth District PTA, 27 entries were selected for Awards of Excellence and these advanced to California State PTA for consideration. Fourth District PTA also recognized students with 52 Awards of Merit and 50 Honorable Mention Awards.

California State PTA will select entries to advance to the National PTA. All PTA district-level entries were displayed at the Reflections Gallery held on Saturday, February 14, at the Orange County Department of Education.



Visual Arts

Awards of Excellence

Primary: **C. Lim** - Fairmont Elementary PTA, PYLUC

Intermediate: **H. Ko** - Brea Country Hills Elementary PTA, Brea

Middle: **F. Lee** - Ladera Ranch Elementary PTA, Capistrano Unified

High: **A. Hanson** - Canyon High School PTA, Orange Community

Special Artist: **Y. Choi** - Culverdale Elementary PTA, Irvine

Awards of Merit

Primary: **K. Lee** - San Marina Elementary PTA, Buena Park

Primary: **A. Basa** - Lomarena Elementary PTA, Saddleback Valley

Intermediate: **R. Fujimori** - George Patton Elem. PTA, Garden Grove

Intermediate: **A. Jagdish** - Rossmoor Elementary PTA, Los Alamitos

Middle: **J. Kim** - Lakeside Middle PTA, Irvine

Middle: **E. Johnson** - El Rancho Charter PTA, Orange Community

High: **H. Afill** - Laguna Hills High PTA, Saddleback Valley

High: **K. Friederichs** - Laguna Beach High PTA, Laguna Beach

Special Artist: **C. Hong** - George B. Miller Elementary PTA, Buena Park

Special Artist: **A. Dibavar** - Brea Olinda High PTA, Brea

Honorable Mention

Primary: **R. Tong** - Woodbury Elementary PTA, Irvine

Primary: **D. Egan** - Chaparral Elementary PTA, Capistrano Unified

Intermediate: **A. Delgadillo** - Linda Vista Elem. PTA, Orange Community

Intermediate: **A. Cass** - Arroyo Elementary PTA, Out of Council

Middle: **S. Paul** - McAuliffe Middle PTA, Los Alamitos

Middle: **D. Pham-Tran** - Dr. Russell I. Johnson PTA, Westminster

High: **S. Lee** - Northwood High PTA, Irvine

High: **C. Mauriss** - Brea Olinda High PTA, Brea

Special Artist: **Z. Zubair** - Adams Elementary PTA, Harbor

Special Artist: **S. Kang** - Hermosa Drive Elementary PTA, Fullerton

Dance Choreography

Awards of Excellence

Primary: **A. Heyer** - Travis Ranch PTA, PYLUC

Intermediate: **F. Aguilar** - Tustin Ranch Elem. PTA, Out of Council

Middle: **N. Loram** - Beechwood Elementary PTA, Fullerton

High: **C. Piepmeyer** - Fountain Valley High PTA, Huntington Union

Special Artist: **S. Garretton** - Philip J. Reilly Elemen. PTA, Capistrano

Awards of Merit

Primary: **N. Jahn** - Carl Hankey K-8 PTA, Capistrano Unified

Primary: **H. Gundapaneni** - Plaza Vista PTA, Irvine

Intermediate: **M. Nakamura** - Don Juan Avila Elemen. PTA, Capistrano

Intermediate: **M. Maeda** - Linda Vista Elementary PTA, PYLUC

Middle: **J. Gaspari** - Foothill Ranch Elementary PTA, Saddleback Valley

Middle: **M. Marcot** - Ladera Ranch Middle PTA, Capistrano Unified

High: **K. Kurzwell** - Corona del Mar High PTA, Harbor

High: **K. Sung** - Canyon High PTA, Orange Community

Honorable Mention

Primary: **B. Volkert** - Brea Country Hills Elementary PTA, Brea

Primary: **S. Mendez** - Weaver Elementary PTA, Los Alamitos

Intermediate: **H. Cuevas** - Trabuco Mesa Elemen. PTA, Saddleback

Intermediate: **N. Grove** - SA Moffett Elementary PTA, Huntington Union

Middle: **A. Bardelis** - Dwyer Middle PTA, Huntington Union

Middle: **K. Shin** - Margaret Landell Elementary PTA, Cypress

High: **S. Chan** - Cypress High PTA, Anaheim Secondary

High: **O. Pearson** - Valencia High PTA, PYLUC

Literature

Awards of Excellence

Primary: **G. Gomez** - Tustin Ranch Elementary PTA, Out of Council

Intermediate: **S. Alam** - Brywood Elementary PTA, Irvine

Middle: **E. P. Abedi** - De Portola Elementary PTA, Saddleback Valley

High: **Y. Min** - Canyon High PTA, Orange Community

Awards of Merit

Primary: **M. Menrotra** - Alderwood Elementary PTA, Irvine

Primary: **A. Chowdhury** - George Patton Elem. PTA, Garden Grove

Intermediate: **L. Riley** - Trabuco Mesa Elem. PTA, Saddleback Valley

Intermediate: **A. Doan** - La Veta Elementary PTA, Orange Community

Middle: **H. Bleiweiss** - Santiago Charter Middle PTA, Orange Community

Middle: **C. Jeon** - Arovista Elementary PTA, Brea

High: **J. Jiang** - Troy High PTA, Fullerton

High: **E. Lee** - Oxford Academy PTA, Anaheim Secondary

Honorable Mention

Primary: **M. K. Guzman** - Margaret Landell Elementary PTA, Cypress

Primary: **J. Kim** - Laguna Road Elementary PTA, Fullerton

Intermediate: **T. Barbee** - Huntington Seacliff Elem PTA, Huntington Union

Intermediate: **A. Gupta** - Steve Luther Elementary PTA, Cypress

Middle: **A. Amador** - Walker Jr. High PTA, Anaheim Secondary

Middle: **M. Chang** - Corona del Mar High PTA, Harbor

High: **S. Martin** - Los Alamitos High PTA, Los Alamitos

High: **J. Andrade** - Corona del Mar High PTA, Harbor

Thank you to Fourth District PTA's Programs Committee led by VP Kathleen Sarangay for a successful Reflections year.

California State PTA Convention

April 30 - May 3, 2015

Sacramento Convention Center

Last minute opportunities!

- ◆ Early bird registration prices end on March 31. Register NOW.
- ◆ You can continue to register online until April 24.
- ◆ Housing reservations are open through April 3.



Register for convention and preview lots of convention information at

<http://capta.org/programs-events/convention/>

Did you know that you can modify your existing convention registration to

- ◆ Add a ticket to Fourth District's convention dinner
- ◆ Add a CAPTA event like the EdSource Conference or Reflections Dinner

Vive la Fourth District!

Fourth District PTA at Convention

Mon ami-

Join all your Fourth District friends for a fun social evening during convention!
Bon Appétit!!



Fourth District PTA Dinner
Friday May 1 at 6:30 PM
Blue Pryn Restaurant
815 11th Street, Sacramento
Cost: \$45

(Pay during online convention registration or contact Judi—see below)

RSVP by: Friday, April 24, 2015

Contact: Judi Kusumoto at
conv-dinner@fourthdistrictpta.org



NOTE: New Date!

Convention Delegate Orientation
Monday, April 20, 2015
9:30 - 11:00 am
Fountain Valley School District Office
10055 Slater Ave., Fountain Valley
Helpful information for anyone attending convention.
A MUST for first-timers!

For more information contact:

Cheri Jones - 6th VP: Convention
convention@fourthdistrictpta.org

Elisa Westelin - Convention Hospitality
convhospitality@fourthdistrictpta.org

Judi Kusumoto - Conv Dinner Chair
conv-dinner@fourthdistrictpta.org



Spring 2015 PTA Workshops



It is time for new PTA officers to plan for the next school year by signing up for training at our Fourth District PTA Spring Workshops. **Remember all Presidents and Treasurers must complete PTA training.**

Each workshop will be offered on two days and at two times! Sessions that are offered in the morning on the first date will be offered in the evening on the second date and vice versa. Each person only pays once!

Space is limited so please register only for those sessions you will be able to attend.

DATES: Tuesday, May 12 and Wednesday, May 20

LOCATION: National University, 3390 Harbor Blvd., Costa Mesa

COST: Early Registration Fee: \$10 PER PERSON (no refunds)

Earlybird Discount Registration: Now through WEDNESDAY, MAY 6 at 2 pm.

Fourth District PTA must receive your registration form and payment on or before this date to be eligible for the early registration fee. Please allow time, if mailing.

Registrations after May 6 or at the door payments: \$20 per person

Walk-in registrations will be accepted only if there is space. Handouts are not guaranteed.

CLASSES:

President/EVP	General Financial	In Spanish – Presidents
Secretary	Membership	In Spanish – Financial
Parliamentarian	Auditor	In Spanish – Membership
Historian	Reflections	In Spanish - Secretary
Anti-bullying/Cyber-bullying Awareness		

Note: You may attend sessions in the morning and in the evening on one or both days for the same fee. There is no additional cost to attend a workshop on the second day.

REGISTRATION OPTIONS

- A. **Online (PREFERRED OPTION)** at www.fourthdistrictpta.org. Payment must be made online using your personal PayPal account or credit card.
- B. **Registration Form:** Print and mail or deliver the completed form (one form per person) with your cash or check payment to:

**Fourth District PTA
Workshops
1520 Brookhollow Drive, #40
Santa Ana, CA 92705**

**Office Phone: 714-241-0495
Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:30 to 2:00
Email: fourthdistrictpta@sbcglobal.net**

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Registration Form: Spring 2014 PTA Workshops



Online registration at www.fourthdistrictpta.org is preferred, but if unable to register online, use this form and mail it in. Please complete one form for each person attending the workshops.

Help us avoid errors and print clearly!

Name:	
Email:	Phone:
PTA Unit/School:	Council/School District:

Payment per person (No refunds.): \$10 until 2 pm, May 6
\$20 after May 6

Check made out to "Fourth District PTA" for \$_____ enclosed.
(Note: A single check can pay for multiple registrations, but use a separate form for each person.)

Please select all of the workshops that you plan to attend.

TUESDAY, MAY 12

MORNING SESSION

- 9:30 to 12:30 President/EVP
- 9:30 to 11:30 Parliamentarian
- 9:30 to 11:30 Anti-bullying/Cyber-bullying Awareness
- 9:30 to 10:45 Secretary
- 11:00 to 12:15 Historian

EVENING SESSION

- 6:00 to 9:00 General Financial
- 6:00 to 8:00 Membership
- 6:00 to 8:00 Reflections/Arts Ed
- 6:00 to 8:00 Auditor

In Spanish – Morning Only

- 9:30 to 12:30 Presidents
- 9:30 to 12:30 Financial
- 9:30 to 10:30 Secretary
- 10:30 to 12:30 Membership

*The fee will increase to **\$20 per person** for all registrations received after 2 pm on May 6.*

*No childcare will be provided.
Questions: Call 714-241-0495*

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

MORNING SESSION

- 9:30 to 12:30 General Financial
- 9:30 to 11:30 Membership
- 9:30 to 11:30 Reflections/Arts Education
- 9:30 to 11:30 Auditor

EVENING SESSION

- 6:00 to 9:00 President/EVP
- 6:00 to 8:00 Parliamentarian
- 6:00 to 8:00 Anti-bullying/Cyber-bullying Awareness
- 6:00 to 7:15 Secretary
- 7:30 to 8:45 Membership

In Spanish – Morning Only

- 9:30 to 12:30 Presidents
- 9:30 to 12:30 Financial
- 9:30 to 10:30 Secretary
- 10:30 to 12:30 Membership

Mail completed form and payment to:

**Fourth District PTA Workshops
1520 Brookhollow Drive, #40
Santa Ana, CA 92705**

Talleres de Capacitación Primavera 2015

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¡Formato Nuevo!

Ahora es el momento de que los nuevos oficiales de PTA planeen el siguiente año escolar al inscribirse para asistir a los talleres de capacitación de primavera del Cuarto Distrito de PTA. **Recuerde que todos los presidentes y tesoreros deben asistir a las capacitaciones.**

Los talleres en español son ofrecidos únicamente por la mañana en **dos días distintos**. ¡Cada persona paga solamente una vez y puede asistir los dos días!

El cupo es limitado así que asegúrese de inscribirse en la sesión que va asistir.

FECHAS: Martes, 12 de mayo y el Miércoles, 20 de mayo

LUGAR: National University, 3390 Harbor Blvd., Costa Mesa

**COSTO: Descuento de Inscripción antes del 6 de Mayo: \$10 POR PERSONA
(No habrá reembolsos)**

LOS TALLERES: Presidentes, Financiero, Membresía, Secretario

La fecha límite para el descuento de inscripción anticipada: Miércoles 6 de mayo

La oficina del Cuarto Distrito de PTA deberá recibir su formulario de inscripción y pago en o antes de esta fecha para tener derecho al descuento de inscripción. Si se va a registrar por correo calcule la demora del correo postal.

Todas las inscripciones después (demoradas) del 6 de mayo o en la puerta será de: \$20 por persona

Todas las personas que se presenten sin haberse inscrito con anticipación, serán aceptadas si hay espacio y no se les podrá garantizar materiales.

Nota: No habrá servicio de guardería.

OPCIONES DE INSCRIPCION

- A. Por internet al sitio www.fourthdistrictpta.org. Todos los pagos por internet deben ser hechos con una tarjeta de crédito personal. Los pagos serán hechos a través de PayPal.
- B. Imprima y envíe por correo postal o entregue en persona este formulario con su cheque a:

Fourth District PTA
Talleres
1520 Brookhollow Drive, #40
Santa Ana, CA 92705

714-241-0495
Horas: Lunes - Jueves 9:30 am to 2:00 pm
Email: fourthdistrictpta@sbcglobal.net

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Sírvase a llenar un formulario por cada persona que asistirá a los talleres.

Formulario de Inscripción Talleres de Capacitación Primavera 2015



¡Ayúdenos a evitar errores y escriba claramente!

Su Nombre y Apellido:	
Email:	Teléfono:
Unidad de PTA/Escuela:	Concilio de PTA:

El costo es por persona y no habrá reembolso.

Pago por Persona : \$10 Antes de las 2:00 de la tarde del 6 de Mayo

\$20 Después del 6 de Mayo

- Adjunte su cheque pagadero de \$_____ a nombre de "Fourth District PTA"
(Nota: Para múltiples inscripciones podrá ser usado un solo cheque. Pero asegúrese de usar formularios de inscripción por cada persona.)

Sírvase a indicar todos los talleres que va a asistir.

Martes, 12 de mayo

Los talleres en español están disponibles únicamente en la mañana.

- 9:30 to 12:30 Presidentes
 9:30 to 12:30 Financiero
 9:30 to 10:30 Secretario 10:30 to 12:30 Membresía

Miércoles, 20 de mayo

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- *Este formulario de registro y su pago deberán llegar a la oficina del Cuarto Distrito de PTA antes de las 2:00PM del jueves 6 de mayo para ser elegible para el descuento de inscripción anticipada.*
- *A partir del 6 de mayo el costo de todas las inscripciones será de \$20.00 por persona.*

Preguntas: Llame al 714-241-0495

Envíe por correo su pago con este formulario con sus datos a:

Fourth District PTA
Talleres
1520 Brookhollow Drive, #40
Santa Ana, CA 92705



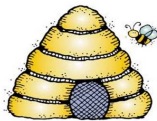
Demuestre Aprecio al Personal de la Escuela

Por la presidenta del Distrito Cuarto de la PTA Maureen Christensen

Ésta es la época del año para reconocer y mostrar aprecio al maravilloso personal que hacen de nuestras escuelas lo que son. Ya sea el honrar a profesores, personal y a los administradores en días por separado o al mismo tiempo, necesitamos tomarnos un momento para mostrar nuestro agradecimiento a todos ellos.

La decisión de trabajar en una escuela, a menudo viene con salarios bajos moderados y horarios no flexibles. Los maestros y el personal de la escuela juegan un papel clave en el éxito del estudiante, y a veces un simple *gracias* puede hacerlos sentir valorados.

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Aquí están algunas maneras de demostrar a tus profesores y al personal de la escuela que realmente los aprecias.

Escriba cartas y tarjetas de agradecimiento.

Mi hija Nicole es una profesora de secundaria. Ella estaba en un año escolar particularmente difícil. Un día me llamó riendo y llorando al mismo tiempo. Un padre cuyo hijo había estado en su clase el año anterior le había enviado una carta. En la carta le decía a mi hija Nicole cómo le había marcado la vida de su hijo el año anterior. Le dijo que gracias a ella se había matriculado en la Universidad y estaba haciendo algunos cambios en su vida. Esta carta se convirtió en una de las posesiones más preciadas de mi hija. Cuando se enfrenta a un día difícil, ella relee la carta y se dice a sí misma, que ella puede hacer una diferencia.

Demuestre su apoyo.

Ofrézcase como voluntario para ayudar en el salón de clases de su hijo o en una actividad escolar. Participe en algún Comité o sea acompañante en algún viaje de campo. Esto no sólo le demuestra a su hijo que él es importante; le demuestra el maestro de su niño y demás personal de la escuela que ellos son importantes.

Ofrezca comidas nutritivas.

Siempre hay comida en el comedor del personal de la escuela. Pero no siempre es comida nutritiva y saludable. Ayude a los maestros en su meta para mantenerse saludables. Le tomará un poco más de tiempo pensar en refrigerios saludables, pero estoy seguro que serán apreciados.

Lavar autos o parabrisas.

Lave los autos o parabrisas del personal de la escuela y déjeles una nota en los autos limpios diciéndoles que ¡realmente los aprecias!

Mientras que tan solo el aprecio no es suficiente para reducir los retos que los profesores y el personal de la escuela enfrentan cada día, les permitirá saber que sus esfuerzos no pasan inadvertidos.

Maureen



La Participación de los Padres Fortalece la PTA

Por Lisa Boler, Vicepresidenta del 4to Distrito de la Afiliación

Hay más de 70 millones de padres (figura paterna) en los Estados Unidos. Eso significa que hay 70 millones de posibilidades para conseguir membresías, participación y fortalecimiento de la PTA para nuestras escuelas y para nuestros niños. Uno de cada tres niños en América — más de 24 millones en total, viven en un hogar sin su padre biológico presente, según un informe de paternidad emitido en el 2012 por la Casa Blanca. Y aproximadamente uno de cada tres niños hispanos y más de la mitad de los niños afroamericanos también viven en hogares sin sus padres biológicos.

La presencia y el compromiso de los padres (figura paterna), ya sea cerca o lejos, ayudan a fomentar el sano desarrollo físico, emocional y social del niño. No hay duda del impacto positivo que pueden tener las figuras paternas en las vidas de sus hijos.

Reclutando hombres como miembros de la PTA puede significar el análisis de cómo su PTA se maneja diariamente.

Comuníquese directamente con los papás. Mensajes más cortos en sus comunicaciones pueden ser más atractivos para los lectores masculinos.

Simplemente pregunte. Casi la mitad de los hombres que respondieron a una encuesta reciente de la PTA Nacional dijo que no se habían involucrado con la PTA *simplemente porque no les preguntaron*. **Cree eventos y grupos centrados en los hombres.** Las encuestas muestran que los hombres prefieren ser voluntarios en proyectos prácticos y eventos que sean solo para papás con expectativas claras. **Respete el tiempo de los hombres.** El setenta por ciento de los padres encuestados recientemente dijo que el tiempo fue una barrera para la participación dentro de la PTA, y la mayoría dijo que querían menos reuniones en horarios más convenientes.

Celebre el compromiso. Cuando empiece a tener más hombres involucrados, es hora de ¡celebrar! Agradezca públicamente a los papás y siempre incentive la presencia de más miembros masculinos. ¡Todos estamos juntos en esto por nuestros hijos!

Gracias a la Natalia Dueñas y Diana Flores para la traducción española.

Come see WHAT'S NEW at the CUBE!

You are Invited to PTA Appreciation Night at Discovery Cube

Join us for a night of interactive programs, immersive exhibits and hands-on FUN! For one night only, PTA members are invited to get an exclusive sneak peek at our award-winning science programs while exploring hands-on exhibits and valuable education resources.

- Experience our state of the art hands-on exhibits
- Preview our most popular assemblies and workshops
- Enjoy complimentary food and drinks

[This event is adults only, please.]

WHERE: Discovery Cube
2500 North Main Street, Santa Ana

WHEN: April 16, 2015; 5:30pm-7:30pm
PLEASE RSVP BY Friday, April 10

RSVP online at:

<http://www.discoverycube.org/oc/4thDistrictPTA>

For more information:

714-913-5030 or groupsales@discoverycube.org



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**But Were Afraid To Ask*

- ◆ Are the new standards fully implemented in Orange County?
- ◆ Are all of our students ready to be tested?
- ◆ How will the test results be reported?
- ◆ What will the test results really mean?
- ◆ What's next?

Join us for an in-depth discussion with education leaders from the Instructional Services Department of the Orange County Department of Education.

Celia Jaffe, member of the California State PTA Education Commission and the Fourth District PTA Advocacy Team, will moderate the discussion.

All PTA members are welcome to attend.

*Questions? Please contact Fran Sdao at
roundtables@fourthdistrictpta.org*

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