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A message from your 2020-2021 PTSA Board:

It has been an absolute pleasure serving as your board members this year. It was a year like no other and we are so appreciative of all the parents, caregivers, teachers and staff at Hilltop who rose to the challenge. We hope everyone has a safe and joyful summer break!

Michelle Collins-President
Kaytie Makin- Co- Vice President
Krystal McIlwaine- Secretary
Tammy Wallis- Member-at-large
Matt Grover- Teacher Rep

Nicole Rogers- Co-Vice President
Neil Gavin- Co-Vice President
Emmy Bahr- Treasurer
Samantha Kempf- Teacher Rep

Important June Dates

Early Release
June 9th (12pm)
June 22nd (12pm)
June 24th 12pm(last day!)

Last day of School:
Thursday, Jun 24th – ½ day 12pm

Last PTSA Meeting of the school year:
June 17th @ 6:30pm (Link found on pg 3)

Other Important Dates:

6/23 @11am--6th Grade Graduation Drive-thru event
 6/17 and 6/18- Hybrid Field Day
 6/17 and 6/18 Fully Remote Field Day

Stay Connected

Email:
HilltopelemPTSA@gmail.com

Website:
www.hilltopptsa.org

Facebook:
[Facebook.com/hilltopPTSA](https://www.facebook.com/hilltopPTSA)

"Hilltop Parents Group":
[facebook.com/groups/hilltopelementaryparents](https://www.facebook.com/groups/hilltopelementaryparents)



Last Week of School Schedule

Thursday/Friday June 17/18	Modified Field Day for A & B in-person students. Virtual Field Day for fully remote students.
Monday/Tuesday June 21/22	Pre-ordered Yearbooks distributed. Fully remote students can pick up at the office from 9:30-2:30 or 3:30-4:00 PM.
Tuesday June 22	Last day of in-person learning for Cohort B students. (Early release for all students at 12:00 noon.)
Wednesday June 23	11:00-12:00 Sixth Grade Drive-Through Send-Off & 1:00 Sixth Grade Video Release via email
Thursday June 24	Last day of in-person learning for Cohort A students. LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR ALL STUDENTS (Early release for all students at 12:00 noon.)

End of the Year
FUN



Date: June 17th

Board business 6:30-7:00pm

General meeting @7:00pm

- Voting for 2021-2022 board, budget
- Summer slide presentation and read a loud by Hilltop staff guest

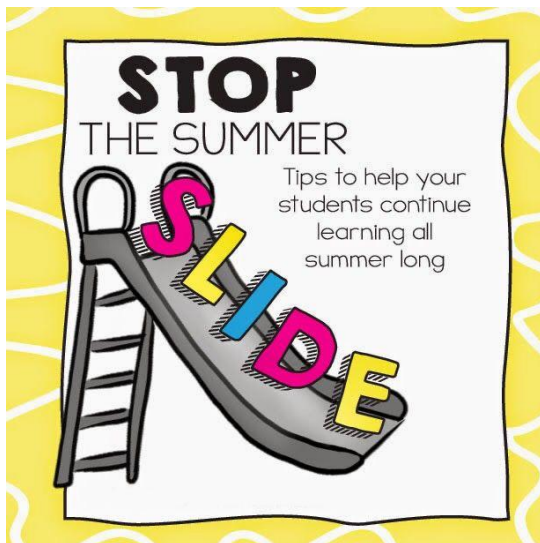
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81462174389?pwd=WkhGVXIJc0l5REZLazY4T01hb1J2dz09>

Meeting ID: 814 6217 4389

Passcode: 195742

Zoom link can also be found at HilltopPTSA.org





Help us and you'll help your child succeed at school! Please check the areas below where you might like to be involved during the 2021-2022 school year. Complete this form by 6/20/21 and your child/children will receive 10 tickets to a potential 2021-2022 event (Carnival, Neon Glow Party, etc).

Contact: Hilltop PTSA hilltopelemptsa@gmail.com

www.hilltopPTSA.org

[Link to online survey](#)

[Link to Paper Form](#) Paper copy will be sent home with kids

School Community Survey

Hilltop PTSA wants to make sure that the programs we provide are serving the Hilltop community. Please take a few minutes to answer the following questions. All answers are confidential, but if you would like to discuss this survey with a PTSA officer, please email at HilltopElemPTSA@gmail.com

Please rate the following using the following scale 1-5 with 1 meaning not important at all and 5 representing very important – any item that should be a priority:

	Scale of Importance				
	Not at all	Not very	No. Opin.	Some what	Extremely
Family-focused social events (Fall Carnival, Neon Glow Party, Movie night, etc)	1	2	3	4	5
Playground maintenance (includes purchasing new equipment, maintaining the grounds, spreading mulch and repairing equipment)	1	2	3	4	5
Provide funds for supplemental classroom materials	1	2	3	4	5
Provide Staff appreciation (Teacher Appreciation Week, Supply funds, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Sponsor Community Education Programs (Internet safety, dealing with bullying, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Sponsor Enrichment programs such as special presentations and guest speakers that enhance curriculum, art enrichment, character education, featured authors	1	2	3	4	5
Sponsor parent-teacher-administration activities, like quarterly Parent-Principal Coffees, Kindergarten send off coffee for parents, etc.	1	2	3	4	5
Sponsor/Support off-campus activities (skate night, eat outs, mariners game, etc)	1	2	3	4	5

Please take a moment to share your thoughts, concerns and ideas. You can share as little or as much information as you would like.

What activities or events would you like to see at Hilltop Elementary or see continue at Hilltop Elementary?

What would encourage you to attend a PTSA function?

What would encourage you to share your time by volunteering at least two hours during the school year?

What do you consider the strengths of the school PTSA?

What are the weaknesses of the school PTSA?

What improvements would you like to see in the PTSA?

Comments and/or suggestions for additional ways the PTSA can enhance the experience of our students, families, and teachers:

PTSA Volunteer Form

Help us and you'll help your child succeed at school! Please check the areas below where you might like to be involved during the 2021-2022 school year. Return the form to your child's teacher by 6/20/21 and receive 10 tickets to a potential 2021-2022 event (Carnival, Neon Glow Party, etc). This form can also be filled out online at <https://forms.gle/xFYSc7imSKyT8CDh6> Contact: Hilltop PTSA hilltopelemptsa@gmail.com www.hilltopPTSA.org

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME(S): _____

Phone _____ Email _____ preferred way to communicate _____ Best time to reach you _____

Child _____ Grade _____ Child _____ Grade _____ Child _____ Grade _____

Potential School Volunteer Opportunities and PTSA Committee and Volunteer Opportunities

- General:**
- Make copies or file
 - Classroom helper
 - Library helper
 - Lunch/recess duty help
 - Arrival and Dismissal help
 - Read with students
 - Serve on school council/advisory board
 - Provide food for events
 - Volunteer at an event
 - Wear the mascot costume
 - Design/change outside bulletin board
- Special Events:**
- Back to school
 - Fall Carnival
 - Book Fair
 - Skate Nights
 - Movie Night
 - Family Fun nights
 - Eat outs
 - Staff Appreciation
- Fundraising**
- Plan or assist with annual fundraising activities
 - Help with ongoing clip-and-save fundraising (Box tops, etc)
 - Help with flyers, packets, materials, or delivery
 - Solicit donations for auction or raffles
- PTSA Board Position:**
- President
 - Vice-President
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary
- Parent/School Communication**
- PTSA Website manager
 - Newsletter editor
 - Facebook admin/manager
 - Membership Chair
 - Sunshine Committee Chair
 - Volunteer Coordinator
 - Member-at-Large
- Curriculum/Enrichment:**
- Lead classroom presentation
 - Art docent
 - coordinate cultural/diversity programs
 - STEAM day planning, presenting, or help

Our family would love to share our talents! Please contact us for the following:

- Musical/Theater/Art:**
- Accompanist. Instruments: _____
 - Set Construction
 - Help set up for performances
 - Perform at school assembly/open house
 - Coordinate Art Show
 - Video production
 - photography
- Lesson Presentations:**
- Sports
 - Health/fitness
 - Education
 - Legal/accounting
 - Science, engineering, technology
 - Gardening
 - Other: _____
- Foreign Language:**
- Translations (for PTSA).
 - Language(s): _____
- Equipment we can loan to the school:**
- Truck/trailer
 - Tent/canopy
 - Power tools
 - Landscaping machinery/equipment
 - Gardening tools
 - Lighting
 - Painting tools
 - Ladders, scaffolding
- OTHER: Is there any other way you'd like to help?
- _____
- _____



We are looking for parents to join our 2021-2022 PTSA Board. This is an exciting opportunity to get involved. It is fun and rewarding at the same time. We are currently looking to fill the current roles:

Please reach out to us, if you are interested and we can give you more information hilltopelemptsa@gmail.com

PRESIDENT | *Leader of the Pack*

We want YOU to be our next PTA president! Our fearless leader's term expires at the end of the school year. We're looking for a creative problem-solver who is comfortable delegating and who can help us focus on the agenda instead of talking about our kids or the latest episode of *This Is Us*. A sense of humor is a big plus—and if you know how to say "no" without provoking a tantrum, even better. If you're ready to play a substantial role in supporting our school, we want to hear from you!



1st & 2nd VICE PRESIDENT | *Partner in Crime*

So you'd like to get more involved in the school parent group, but you're not sure you're ready to take the lead role? Our vice president position has your name written all over it! You'll learn behind-the-scenes intel and be part of decisionmaking on important issues throughout the year. You'll help the president get things done—kind of like a superhero's sidekick, but without the silly costume.



SECRETARY | *Fact Finder*

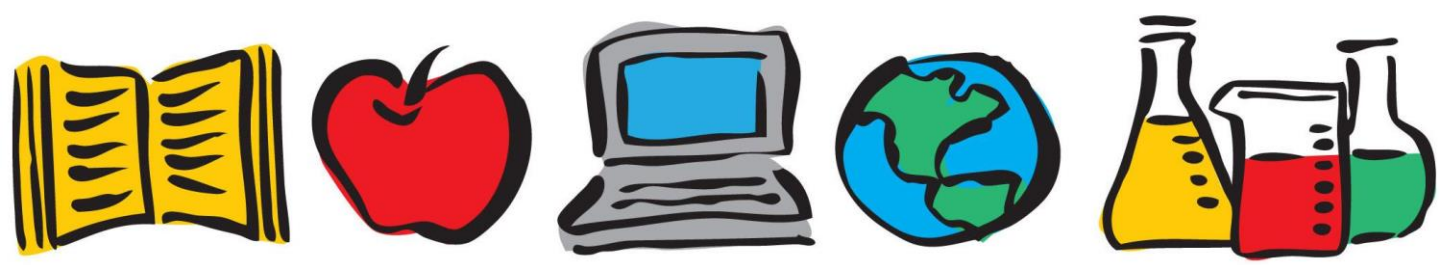
Be honest—you're the one in your friend group who filled out every page in your child's baby book...at the right time, no less. If you're the kind of person who documents everything, from your toddler's first steps to how far you jogged yesterday, we have the perfect role for you. You'll get to put your stellar recordkeeping skills and attention to detail to good use as our PTA secretary. You must have good listening and computer skills—and extra credit if you can follow what's on TV and play Candy Crush at the same time.



TREASURER | *Number Cruncher*

We have big plans to raise money and fund important projects for our school, and we need someone who likes to count every penny to help us do it. If you secretly love to categorize expenses and create color-coded pie charts, you have what it takes to be our PTA treasurer. Bonus points if your spouse teases you about how often you log in to the personal finance app on your smartphone.





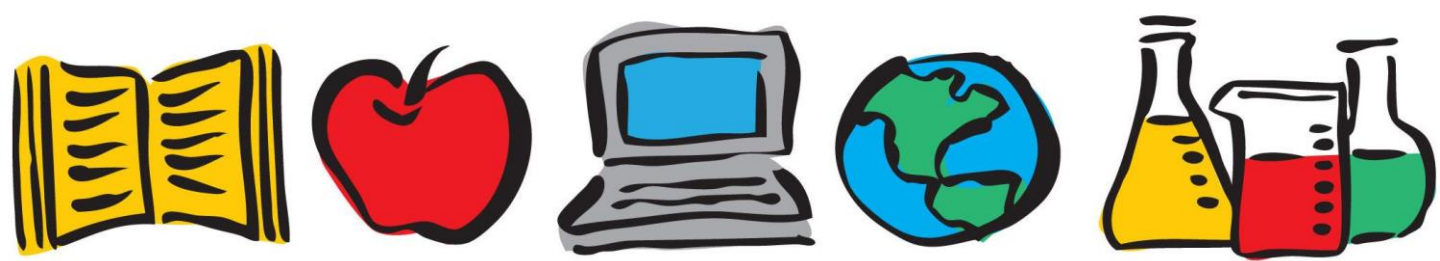
News from the Principal

Dear Families,

As we finish strong with our last three weeks of school, we are celebrating how far our students have come this year. I am so proud of our staff, students and families for how student learning was prioritized across the school year. This month, teachers are meeting with the next grade level to share areas of class strengths and needs as a result of this school year.

When we started the year in September, we didn't know what the impact of the pandemic would have on students. We now know that students that maintained solid attendance made typical progress, in a not-so-typical year. We are so happy that we were able to prioritize getting library books, digital books and classroom take-home books to support our readers at home. And, truly, we are thankful that parents helped to keep students reading.

We've also noticed some areas that we will focus on with students next year. We learned that writing is challenging to teach online, and we are cherishing the moments that teachers get to confer with each student to teach that one strategy that the writer is ready for. Teachers have delved deep into discussions about how to approach real life math problems, and we love the thinking and solving our students continue to do. However, we have been reminded that students need lots of practice putting together and taking apart numbers, and developing strategies to remember math facts.



News from the Principal

Continued...

We continue to support social-emotional learning, and we have enjoyed watching how classmates have progressed from being timid with each other to becoming more sibling-like in just a couple of months of a hybrid model. We know that some of our older students are working with challenging feelings related to the last twelve months. If your child is struggling emotionally or socially, please reach out to one of our counselors or your child's teacher so we can use these last few weeks of school to help strengthen connections with peers and suggest strategies for dealing with big emotions.

We are celebrating and being aware of what our students need all at the same time! Overall, we are feeling ready to tackle the next school year with the same sense of vigor, and a little bit more normalcy than this year.

We hope you are planning to relax and enjoy this summer. Take time to read together, talk a lot, count forward and backwards, play card games, and be creative!

Have a well-deserved summer, and be safe!

Melissa Somoza and the Hilltop Staff



Message from the School Nurse:

It is time to wrap up this year AND get ready for the next school year! If your student has medications or a health plan, you should have received the paperwork needed for next year already. If you haven't, please contact me and I will get it to you!

Most medications can be sent home with parent authorization. They will be secured in a security bag. I must receive your authorization to send them home with your student on their last school day, those letters have also been sent home. The last day is June 22nd for Cohort B and June 24th for Cohort A. Medications cannot be stored at the school over the summer. All medications not picked up will be disposed of on the morning of June 25th.

Note that medications for next year must be received at the school by *August 24th* in order for your student to start on the first day. If received after that date, there is not guarantee your student will start on time.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at GoergenC@edmonds.wednet.edu or 425-431-1711.

I wish you all a restful, relaxing summer! Be safe, Huskies!

Nurse Cindy

Congratulations!

2021
6TH GRADE
GRAD

Congratulations!

Acacia
Easton
Jackson
Dardan
Garrick
Addisyn
Adam
Cassidy
Sasha
Oliver
Tyson
Khloe
Chloe
Sullivan
Shannara
Sollia
Wyatt
Tharvez
Mika
Marissa
Lincoln
Kale
Kaden
Mia
Lia
Marcus
Mae
Kaitlyn
Leon
Caleb
Leanne
Nissi
Chanelle
Alexander
Isabel
Dylan
Alex
Elias

Dominique
Jayme
Estefanie
Adnan
Jack
Alexis
Charlotte
Noah
Agamad
Caius
Jordan
Derick
Drew
Devin
Dylan

Congratulations to our 6th grade class!!!
We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished.
Good Luck in Middle School and beyond!!!!

Congratulations!

2021
6TH GRADE
GRAD

Congratulations!

Hilltop 2021 6th Grade Year-End Events

Due Friday June 4	Please email a baby photo, an early elementary photo and a current photo of your child to your homeroom teacher's email.
Thursday/Friday June 17/18	Modified Field Day for A & B in-person students. Virtual Field Day for fully remote students.
Monday/Tuesday June 21/22	Pre-ordered Yearbooks distributed. Fully remote students can pick up at the office or during the drive-through send-off event.
Tuesday June 22	Last day of in-person learning for Cohort B students. (Early release for all students at 12:00 noon.)
Wednesday June 23	Sixth Grade Drive-Through Send-Off & Sixth Grade Video Release *Details below.
Thursday June 24	Last day of in-person learning for Cohort A students. LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR ALL STUDENTS (Early release for all students at 12:00 noon.)



Wednesday, June 23rd Drive-Through 6th Grade Send-Off

11:00AM - Noon Hilltop Driveway

- Staff members will line the curb to cheer on each student.
- Students may get out of the car to take pictures at the decorated photo backdrop.
- Certificates and send-off gifts will be passed out.
- Masks required.

6th Grade Slideshow

Released at 1:00PM via email to view with your family.



Last Spirit Day of the Year!!!!

Mismatched Day

Thursday, June 10th

Hybrid - Cohort A

Friday, June 11th

Hybrid - Cohort B

Fully Remote



**Wear clothes that do not match!
Mix polka dots, stripes, plaid, or anything else!**

2021



2021

Thursday/Friday June 17th & 18th

- Modified Field Day for A & B in-person students
- Virtual Field Day for fully remote students

Our PE teachers are partnering with the PE teacher from Brier Elementary to create socially distanced field day events for in-person learners and remote field day activities for our fully remote learners. Thank you to Jason Mauch, Tony Aspinall, and Jody Wallis.

In-Person Students: Wear your sunscreen, bring your water bottles and get ready for a variety of field day fun on Thursday, June 17th (A Cohort) or Friday, June 18th (B Cohort.) Students stay with their classmates for an hour of field day events.

Remote Students: Hydrate, then scroll through the fun virtual events on Canvas or Seesaw on June 17th and/or 18th. Get ready to share videos or pictures of yourself through Canvas or Seesaw of how you conquer the virtual field day events.



Help Hilltop revise our school vision statement next year!

Please take The Three Word Survey:
<https://forms.gle/n78tAfRjb29sM5qE7>

Please share three words or short phrases that describe what you want for your child as a result of their years at Hilltop Elementary. Your input will be used next year as staff and community members work on a vision statement for our school.

We appreciate your input.





Spread the Word!

Enrollment for the Fall 2021 is open for students NEW to Hilltop.

There are three ways to enroll:

1. Complete and submit an online packet: <https://www.edmonds.wednet.edu/families/enrollment>
2. Fill out the packet online, print it and bring it to the Hilltop office. <https://www.edmonds.wednet.edu/families/enrollment>
3. Pick up a paper packet from the office.

For all enrollment options, you will need proof of birth, proof of residence, and immunization records. You can drop off packets from 10:00 - 2:00 at the main office.



Summer Meals Program: June 21st – August 26th

Contact: Deborah Jacobsen or Thame Fuller

In partnership with the Edmonds School District, the Foundation for Edmonds School District and its Nourishing Network program will host a summer meal program from June 21st through August 26th (there will be no program on July 5th, 2021).

Children ages 5-18 can come for free grab and go meals at one of four Lynnwood locations. No registration is needed.

Three locations will also provide 1 hour drop-in healthy activities followed by grab and go meals.

Please see the [flyer](#) for more information.

PPE, social distancing, and sanitizing procedures are in effect in accordance with State Government Mandates.

For more information or questions, please contact Thame Fuller, Director of Programs, at thame@foundationesd.org or 425-431-7092.

Chromebooks

Due to the robust summer school and summer learning options the district will be offering, district students planning to return in the fall (regardless of grade level) can keep their Chromebooks and hotspots.





The **BEST** Way to Buy Back-to-School Supplies!

Click Here to
Order Now!
Order by July 1st

✓ The Exact School Supplies
Your Teacher Requested

✓ Name Brand Products Like:



Pre-Order Today at: www.1stDaySchoolSupplies.com

*They do the shopping, so you don't have to!

*The teachers get exactly what they need!

*It's a WIN-WIN!!!!

[Click Here to Order Today!](#)

A graphic for staff appreciation featuring the text "Staff Appreciation" in a blue, cursive font. The text is centered and flanked by two clusters of colorful balloons (pink, orange, yellow, blue, green, red) on the left and right sides.

Staff Appreciation

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who graciously donated to buy a staff member lunch during staff appreciation week.



Staff members would also like to thank you for all the cards, gifts and well-wishes during the week. It was very much appreciated!!!!

Staff appreciation

Need some gift ideas for your favorite staff member at Hilltop?

Find your staff member, click on the link: Names in bold are updated for 2020-2021. Information will be updated as it is received.



Kindergarten

[Shana Dumo](#)
[Kristina Parkhurst](#)
[Erin Smith](#)
[Kim Swartz](#)
Erin Schomburg

1st Grade

[Sarah Hudson](#)
[Perry Johnson](#)
[Saville Picker](#)
[Esther Tom](#)

2nd Grade

[Mandy Carey](#)
[Debbie O'Brien](#)
[Jason Stillwaugh](#)

3rd Grade

[Jamie Davidson](#)
[Samantha Kempf](#)
[Jesslyn Freeman-Correa](#)
[Jennifer Blackstone](#)

4th Grade

[Susan Rao](#)
Katherine Dumont
[Priscilla Lewis](#)

5th Grade

[Sarah Allsop-Fine](#)
[Matthew Grover](#)
[Mark Randall](#)

6th Grade

[Diana Browne](#)
[Tim Dennis](#)
[Kaleigh Kline](#)

PE

[Jason Mauch](#)
Zach Taylor

Music

[Linda Shatto](#)
Ashley Giri, orchestra
Brian Rascon, band

Specialist

[Corey Anderson](#)
[Denise Mullins](#)
Ruth Eng
Mary Glockling
Katie Turner
Amy Helgoe
Sarah Thompson
Katie Hodapp

Library

[Deborah Fournier](#)

Learning Support

Yuki Adams
Lanei Brown
[Lois Hanks-Vandermeer](#)
[Jennifer Malloy](#)
Martha McCorkhill
Lisa Rongholt
Augusta Swenson
Lisa Reid
Erika Mariotti
Caroline Montreuil
Sandra Portolese

Office Staff

[Michelle Howell](#)
[Melissa Somoza](#)
[Bonnie Sheehan](#)

Custodian

Kevin Lane

Food Service

Eileen Wood



On behalf of the education support team at Hilltop Elementary, we want to thank the *Foundation for Edmonds School District* for selecting us to receive a grant to purchase tools to help our students cope with emotions and remain focused in school.

Through funding of our project, we are getting tools such as art supplies, fidgets, and comfort items to students during an extremely challenging time. Knowing that those students that require extra support have tools both in their classroom and at home helps to bridge equity gaps and support some of our most vulnerable students.

From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you for supporting us and our students.



School Fundraiser

Support us with
amazon smile
 You shop. Amazon gives.

Help us earn donations while you shop! It all adds up!

1. Start at www.smile.amazon.com
2. Set your charity to: Hilltop Elementary PTSA
3. It will say we are in Tacoma, as that is where our "parent" PTSA is physically located... it is still our Hilltop!



community rewards
 Where shopping & giving unite

1. Go to <https://www.fredmeyer.com/account/communityrewards>
2. Login to your Fred Meyer account.
3. Search for the organization by name (Hilltop Elementary PTSA) or the Organization Number CS004



EARN CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL

NO MORE CLIPPING. ALL YOU NEED IS YOUR SMARTPHONE.

The NEW and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

LOOK FOR THE NEW LABEL:



HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:



BUY
BOX TOPS PRODUCTS

You can find Box Tops on hundreds of products throughout the store.



SCAN
YOUR RECEIPT

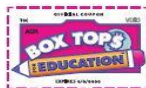
Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



EARN
CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL

Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated at BTFE.com.

You do not need to clip or send Box Tops labels to school.



BOX TOPS CLIPS ON PACKAGES

Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store as packages transition to the new Box Tops labels. You can still clip these and send them to school. Please make sure each clip has a valid expiration date.



BUY
BOX TOPS PRODUCTS



CUT
OUT THE BOX TOP FROM EACH PACKAGE



SEND
YOUR BOX TOPS TO SCHOOL



Support your school with **SPIRITWEAR!**



Have you gotten your spiritwear yet? The PTSA has partnered with **1st Place Spiritwear** to handle all your spirit wear needs. There are many options and styles to choose from. They have t-shirts, sweatshirts, tank-tops, clothing just for our special teachers and even masks. You can order at anytime and items are shipped directly to your home.

Visit our page today:

<https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/WA/Lynnwood/Hilltop+Elementary+School>

10% of sales goes
to our PTSA



Have a great



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