

## Greetings!

In today's complicated world, what can you and I do to create hope for the future? We need to help our kids lay the foundation for their lives as caring and responsible adults. Educating our children has never been more important! A donation to our 2019 Auction helps us achieve this goal.

For decades, Cascade K-8 PTSA has provided numerous enrichment activities for the students at Cascade K-8 Community School. Our outdoor camps are among our most cherished traditions. This past spring, all of our students had an opportunity to spend several days at camp: 8th graders went to Centrum in Port Townsend, our 6th & 7th graders explored the diverse nature in the Olympic Mountains, and our K-5th graders spent their time learning and exploring at Fort Flagler State Park.

Experiences like these create life-long memories for our students. Watching them experience collaboration, discovery, joy, and laughter is a wonderful thing, indeed. We are so thankful for the contributions from people like you, who have made it all possible! But the cycle continues, and every year we have more children to inspire. We can't stop now.

Cascade K-8 PTSA is a non-profit organization that supports the education and enrichment of children at Cascade K-8 Community School; an award-winning public school in the Shoreline School District. Our community believes in educating the whole child, and providing experiences that have lasting impact and help students grow up to become responsible citizens. Our school takes great pride in its talented, committed and diverse staff and its innovative curriculum that includes outdoor education, thematic learning, and a focus on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM).

Our annual auction is the biggest PTSA fundraiser of the year and allows us to support the students, teachers, and community at our innovative school. Our upcoming auction will be held at 5:00pm on Saturday, April 13, 2019 at Shoreline Community College. We expect to have 200 people in attendance, and our goal is to raise at least \$60,000 to keep outdoor education, STEAM opportunities, and many other support and enrichment activities available through the next academic year. Your donation will be acknowledged in our auction catalog and at our event.

We would be delighted to have you visit our website at <u>www.cascadek8ptsa.org</u> to learn more about our unique and innovative community. To make a donation please go to <u>www.cascadek8ptsa.org/auction.</u>

Thank you very much for considering this request. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions. To be sure your donation is acknowledged in the event catalog, please ensure its delivery to our school office no later than 3:00pm on March 22, 2019.

Gratefully,

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