2015-16 Wellington PTA A Year in Review

As we enter the final week of the 2015-16 school year, your Wellington PTA would like to take a moment to thank you for your support; reflect on what an amazing year it has been; and share a few fun facts and numbers that represent our 2015-16 school year.

PTA MEMBERSHIP

Your Wellington PTA is pleased to share that we increased our membership numbers by **32%** over last year's membership! AND, we'd like to note that we still have room to grow as only 53% of all Wellington families are PTA members this year.

PTA PROGRAMS

Your Wellington PTA organized and offered **27** lunch-time and after-school programs. There were **963** student spaces available in these programs and **329** students participated in at least one of them. We had **127** volunteers help us run a program. Our programs were focused on **3** core areas: Creative Arts, STEM and Wellness.

<u>CREATIVE ARTS</u> Lunch-time and after-school classes included 3D Modeling, Building into Art, Craft with Glass, Create Your Own Picture Book, Global Explorers Club, Holiday Gift Making Workshop, Missoula Childrens Theatre, Photography Club, Pottery and Spanish.

64 students performed in this year's production of Aladdin and **ALL** Wellington students **(532)** participated in a drama workshop with the Missoula Children's Theatre staff.

We had **31** Art Docent volunteers who shared **over 150** classroom art enrichment hours with our students. Their work was highlighted at the Art Walk on April 28th.

We had **12** students enter the Reflections Art program. Wellington student Cooper Brix was honored with a Washington State PTA Award of Merit for his entry.

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Lunch-time and after-school classes included Chess Club, Fire & Ice Show, Flying Gizmo Show, Game Design, Lego Club, Robotics and SCRATCH Code Club.

Your Wellington PTA fully funded **1,350** student STEM enrichment hours – allowing each student to receive an additional 2+ hours of STEM education.

We celebrated Science, Technology, Engineering and Math at our STEM Fair on May 6th with **6** handson vendor booths and **52** student projects.

WELLNESS

Lunch-time and after-school classes included FIT Lunch programs in Basketball, Jump Rope, and Running Club. In addition, we co-sponsored a Garden Club this year with PACE @ Wellington.

214 students stayed active by participating in our FIT Lunch program this year. Our FIT Lunch: Running Club students ran a combined **350** miles during their 4 weeks together!





TAKING CARE OF OUR COMMUNITY

Our Wellington community shared their time with others this year in various ways, including:

- Dads 'N Dirt: 63 student volunteers helped our adult Dads 'N Dirt volunteer crew spread 201 wheelbarrows of bark and pull 57 wheelbarrows full of weeds.
- **Food Drive:** Our families donated **1,134** items and **\$1,392.50** at this year's Food Drive.
- Helping Hands: 248 student and 48 adult volunteers help 12 organizations through 1,189 Helping Hands service hours this year.
- Staff Appreciation: Our families signed up for **148** Staff Appreciation volunteer spots this year.

FUN AT WELLINGTON

Your Wellington PTA organized and fully-funded these events and activities:

- Student Life: Popcorn Thursdays, Webster, Field Day
- Family Fun Nights: Open House Reception, Ice Cream Social, 3 Movie Nights, Art Walk, STEM Fair and Bingo Night

Your Wellington PTA organized these participant-funding events, activities and items:

- Student Life: Picture Day, Yearbooks, Spirit Wear
- Family Fun Nights: Skate Night and Mariners Night.

As a community, we ate **24** gallons of ice cream at the Ice Cream Social, **1,152** ounces of popcorn on Popcorn Thursdays and **290** slices of pizza at the STEM Fair.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Your Wellington PTA granted the school:

- > \$18,633.34 to purchase and install a new piece of playground equipment this summer.
- > **\$13,200** for grade level and team projects and instructional and field trip enhancements.

Your Wellington PTA provided **\$1,995** in scholarships to support our students and families in need of financial assistance.

FUNDRAISING

We accomplished all of this through your generosity and support!

- We raised **\$29,000** at our 3rd annual Eat, Drink & Bid Merry adult night out.
- > We raised **\$17,700** at this year's Walk-a-Thon.
 - 61% of Wellington students brought in a donation of any amount
 - > **48%** of Wellington students met or exceeded their donation goal of \$40.
- ➢ We collected and submitted 9,456 BoxTops this year.

Thanks for an incredible year! Have a great summer and we'll see you in the fall!









