PTA Membership Information

Please participate & support the Wilson High School PTA in our many activities and programs during the school year. Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month in the Media Center / Library on Campus. These meetings are scheduled for 6:30 pm to enable as many parents as possible to attend. Agendas and minutes are posted on the website.

The PTA is open to all parents, students, school staff and our local community. Your annual tax-deductible membership is offered in three levels:
- General Membership - $10 per person
- Silver Membership - $15 per person
- Gold Membership - $20 or more per person

Please make your donation by cash or check payable to "Wilson PTA" and mail it to:
Wilson PTA
C/O Wilson High School
4400 E 10th Street
Long Beach CA 90804

Thank you for your support.

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Wilson PTA Presidents’ Message

Dear Wilson Families, Wilson Staff and Administration,

As we come to the end of the 2013-2014 school year, let’s take a moment to reflect on all that we have accomplished, and all that our kids have accomplished. Really, we have all worked so hard, especially our kids, and it is a good thing to stop and recognize that. Give yourselves a pat on the back! Some of you will be moving on, your child graduating (and hopefully attending the World Famous Wilson High School Grad Nite on June 12th!!!), and all of us in the Wilson PTA would like to thank you for your support. Whether you supported the PTA simply by becoming a member, or by volunteering to work in the Bear Store, or by helping with one of our events like Grad Nite, every one of you made a difference in the lives of our children. That is an accomplishment of which you can be very proud.

The past couple of years have been rough for public schools and the California PTA has tirelessly advocated for public education, for our kids, to make sure that all kids get the education they deserve as we move further into the 21st Century with a whole new set of challenges. That is why it is critically important to keep our local PTA going strong. At our April meeting we elected a brand new board of committed and caring parents who will serve as our PTA Officers during the 2014-2015 school year. We’d like to thank them for committing their time, talents, and energy to the Wilson High School community. We’d also like to thank our outgoing officers for their hard work and commitment. It has been an honor to serve as your president and vice-president this year.

In the coming year, the PTA hopes to revamp the Bear Store to make sure we provide the best service we can to the Wilson student body, and continue to raise funds for our wonderful scholarship program, The Bob Bryan Memorial Scholarship. We also hope to continue to provide current and relevant parent education speakers at our meetings. Parent Education is one of the best ways we can serve our school community. As parents, we are our children’s first and best advocates. The more we know, the better we can support our kids!

Here’s hoping that the whole Wilson High School community, including our wonderful teachers, our administration and staff, our students and families, enjoy a healthy and happy summer break. We look forward to working with you all again in the fall.

GO BRUINS!

Elisha Hall  Jacqui Viale
PTA President  PTA Vice President

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This year marked two milestones in the Wilson PTA Scholarship Program. First, the scholarship is named in honor of Bob Bryan, who for the last three years was the Scholarship Chairman. Bob worked tirelessly to increase the size of the scholarship and to gain the support of the local businesses. For this we are very thankful. The second milestone was that we were able to award 10 scholarships in the amount of $1,000 each. This was made possible by everyone’s hard work at the Bear Store, which exceeded the income budget projections. Thank you everyone.

The **2014 Bob Bryan Memorial Scholarship Recipients** are (in alphabetical order):

Thuy Dao | Mario Donis, Jr. | Joana C. Gomez | Pemita Kimberly Leiataua | Ayla Menendez

Tyra Monette | Allison R. Scott | Kristal Torres | Nancy Valencia | Melissa Widman

These Seniors are to be congratulated for all their hard work and efforts, and we wish them continued success in their college careers.

**Distinguished Scholars Recognized**

On May 16, 2014, Wilson PTA celebrated the accomplishment of 168 senior students who have maintained their Distinguished Scholar status all 4 years of their high school career. With the help of our counselor, **Marcia Nye**, the students were treated to a lunch catered by Baja Sonora Restaurant on the lawn outside the arches. Distinguished Scholars must maintain at least a 3.3 GPA all four years and complete required courses. This tradition started five years ago with a donated cookies and drink celebration. Thanks to the funds of the PTA, we are now able to provide a very filling lunch. These students have worked hard to maintain their status and deserve the recognition.

**Well done everyone!!**

For more information and up-to-date announcements, visit the Long Beach Wilson PTA on the school’s website:

[www.lbwilson.schoolloop.com](http://www.lbwilson.schoolloop.com)

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PTA Founder’s Day

At our 2014 Wilson PTA Founders’ Day event, which took place on Monday, May 12th at the final PTA meeting of the year, awards were presented in the following categories; MEMORIES THAT LAST A LIFETIME, WILSON’S TRUE TREASURE, and LIFETIME OF SERVICE. These awards were received by the following individuals.

MEMORIES THAT LAST A LIFETIME AWARD: Awarded to retiring Wilson Teachers and Staff members.

Joe Tucciarone (Math), Laura Brecht (English), Robert Campbell (Science), Yvette Gow (RSP), Allyn Topp (Special Ed), Cindy Mast (Counselor), Jane Dodgen (French)- Retired Mid-year, and Tanya Stewart (Campus Security Officer).

These individuals received a framed picture of Woodrow Wilson Classical High School, and a note that read “The Wilson PTA thanks you for your years of dedicated service to Wilson Classical High School”.

WILSON’S TRUE TREASURE AWARD: Awarded to an outstanding individual that has gone above and beyond with their service and support to Wilson Classical High School. Cheryl Supernaw, Wilson Office Supervisor.

This individual received a jeweled picture frame with an embroidery note in burgundy material with gold stitching that read “Cheryl Supernaw you are truly a Valuable Treasure to Wilson Classical High School”.

LIFETIME OF SERVICE AWARD: Awarded to retiring Wilson PTA members who has devoted their discretionary time to being involved with PTA, from their children’s elementary years thru high school. Holly Reinhard, Deena Regier, Jill Anderson, Jan Boynton.

These individuals received a framed embroidery note in burgundy material with gold stitching that read “Thank You for your dedication and support to Wilson PTA”.

Please join with me in congratulating Wilson PTA’s Founders’ Day recipients. And wishing the retiring teachers, staff and PTA members and wonderful and well deserved retirement.

A personal thank you goes to my Founders’ Day committee; Raquel Landworth-Kleinhenz and Rene Woodson.

Deena Regier
Wilson PTA Founders’ Day Chairperson – Retired!
Aside from our portion of collected PTA dues, the Wilson High School PTA Bear Store is the primary, and sometimes the only, PTA fundraiser for each academic year. This year, our Bear Store was revamped by a new staff of volunteers lead by Lina and Ruben Cortez, Marisela Halachian and Joy Williams. These volunteers worked over the summer to inventory and organize the store, as well as order and stocked up on inventory for the coming year. The Bear Store was able to fund all of the programs and scholarships that the PTA supports and was able to double the amount of scholarship money awarded to our ten recipients from $500 each to $1,000 each!

We thank the outgoing PTA Bear Store Committee and welcome our new committee—Sandra Martinho, Lakeisha Braxton, and Joy Williams. Let’s all do our part to keep the Bear Store running smoothly and keep our much needed programs funded for years to come. There will be new merchandise, as well as discounted current merchandise, for sale at Freshman Sports Day, Friday, June 13th, as well as Summer Orientation and Registration Days at the end of the summer. If you’d like to volunteer to help on these days or next year at the Bear Store, please contact Joy Williams for more information at: joytogolb@gmail.com

18 Years of Service... It All Adds Up

I don’t think you can stop doing anything that you’ve done for eighteen years without a bittersweet, satisfied and accomplished feeling. I have been involved in PTA in the Long Beach Unified School District for that many years. If it wasn’t for PTA I wouldn’t have met my best friends. The number of people I have come to know would not have happened without my being involved in PTA and in my children’s schools. Volunteering in PTA and school has taught me the importance and value of giving back and supporting one’s child’s school. It’s a win-win situation – the students benefit, the school benefits and you benefit. My children have grown up watching their mother volunteer and that is one of the best things they could have ever learned by example. When you work within a system that has a common goal you learn to feel good about yourself and others. I am proud to have been a part of Long Beach Unified Schools and PTAs. I thank it for what it has given me.

My son graduated from Wilson four years ago. This June, he graduates from Stanford University. My daughter graduates from Wilson this June and will continue her education at the University of Nebraska playing for the Women’s Soccer Team. And so, my time in PTA and school involvement is up. It is an eighteen year journey that I cherish. I did things I thought I never would or could do. Am I a better person because of it—absolutely. Am I happier because of it—without a doubt, yes.

Times have changed and I know that a lot of us are back at work. Please do what you can, however you can, to help in some way (large of small) in your child’s school. It all adds up...

All My Best,

Holly Reinhard

Former Wilson High PTA President
In Memoriam

Bob Bryan, Former PTA Scholarship Chair

It is with great sadness and with utmost respect, that Wilson PTA remembers Bob Bryan, our Scholarship Chair from 2010-2013.

For the four years that Bob served the Wilson PTA, he was a dedicated Wilson member and volunteer. Bob attended every PTA meeting, was always happy to help on various committees or projects, and was Chairperson for the PTA Scholarship committee. You may remember we honored Bob for his dedication to PTA at the end of 2013, when his son graduated.

Bob worked with Dr. Blazer to clean up the Wilson bathrooms and to get smoke alarms installed. He attended site council meetings, district meetings and PTA meetings tirelessly. He and his wife, Teri, worked the big games for the last three years at Wilson Grad Nite. Believing that $500 for the PTA scholarships wasn’t enough, he sought community donations on his own.

He was an amazingly passionate, supportive and giving man. He always had a smile on his face. Bob was also a community volunteer and involved in his Artcraft manor neighborhood. He is missed by many!

The Wilson High School PTA Scholarships, awarded yearly to ten graduating seniors, has officially been renamed as the Bob Bryan Memorial Scholarships.

Thank you Bob, may you rest in peace.
Top Ten Reasons to GET to PTA Meetings:
(with one more thrown in for extra credit!)

1. GET to know what goes on where your kid(s) spends his/her/their day
2. GET up-to-the-minute and dependable information direct from counselors, teachers, principals, and activity leaders
3. GET involved—decisions are made by those who show up. Show up and you can make a difference!
4. GET to choose—help us decide how to spend PTA money and resources to help the school.
5. GET questions answered and rumors clarified
6. GET connected to other Wilson parents—we’re all in the same boat!
7. GET heard – share your suggestions/comments/concerns/kudos
8. GET information about Wilson regarding issues you haven’t even thought of yet
9. GET valuable scholarship/internship/career/college requirement information
10. GET to hear speakers on topics pertinent to what’s going on today
11. GET to know the staff and see how much they really care about YOUR KID!

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

- May 20: Extra Graduation Tickets Available from the Banker
- May 21: Open House 6:00-8:00 pm
- May 22-23: Dance Show
- May 26: Memorial Day - No School
- May 27: Graduation Ticket Distribution in Gov/Econ Class
- May 28: Blackout Rally
- May 31: Prom @ the Natural History Museum
- June 2: Rootbeer Float Day
- June 3: Cookies & Campanile
- June 4: Senior Awards @ 5:30 pm Invitation Only
- June 5: Senior Breakfast and Cap & Gowns Delivered @ 7:30 am
- June 8: Baccalaureate 3:00 pm
- June 9-11: Final Exams
- June 12: Graduation Rehearsal @ 11:00 am
- June 12: Graduation @ 5:30 pm
- June 12: Grad Nite @ 10:00 pm to 5:00 am
- June 13: Coaches Day | Freshman Sport Day @ 10:00 am

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