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Welcome Evergreen Eagles! The Evergreen Middle School Parent Teacher Student Association is dedicated exclusively to the welfare and benefit of children. We are happy to welcome you to the 2018-2019 Evergreen Middle School, school year! EMS PTSA works closely with the administration and staff, supporting the Evergreen Middle School community for many years. We now support over 1,200 students!

Communication is crucial between home and school. It is not often easy to figure out where to get the best information on PTSA news, school events, and activities. Please add www.evergreenptsa.org to your list of favorites. It has all the information you're looking for in a format that is easy to navigate. Join our Evergreen Middle School PTSA Facebook page for real time updates. Lastly, subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter the Eagle Express at www.evergreenptsa.org

Our first **General Membership** meeting will be held **Wednesday**, **September 19th** in the Library from **9:45 – 10:45am**. Coffee, Tea and pastry bites will be provided. Please consider attending. It is a great way to stay involved with how the PTSA is advocating and putting plans in place for your middle school student. Also, it is a great opportunity to get updates on what is happening at EMS through principal and staff reports.

Become a member! Become an advocate! **Membership** is the foundation of this organization and another great way to stay connected. Join now to help advocate for the students at Evergreen Middle School. **The membership fee is only \$25.00 for a family membership or \$15.00 for a single membership**. Please visit our website at http://evergreenptsa.org. Members have a voice and a vote at our meetings. Additionally, as an EMS PTSA member, you are also automatically a member of the Washington State PTA (www.wastatepta.org), and of the National PTA (www.pta.org). Benefits include discounted rates at Great Wolfe Lodge, Barnes and Noble, Key Arena/McCaw Hall, and many more. We encourage you to check out their web sites from time-to-time for valuable information and more membership benefits.

Each year we ask families to show financial support for our students through our "Pass the Hat" Fund Drive. It is our one main fundraiser with a goal of \$25,000. Donations are used to fund projects for the school, including department and teacher grants for classroom equipment/enhancements, library books, special needs, student recognition, emergency preparedness supplies, and much more. You can make your donation on the All-in-One form enclosed with this packet, or on our website at evergreenptsa.org. Matching dollars count! Companies such as Boeing, Microsoft, Expedia, and others offer corporate matching opportunities. Check with your company's HR Department on matching policies. "Matching funds" can double your gift! All donation and fee payments can be made online through our website or by completing the "All in One Form" and returning it with your check to the school office.

With the Evergreen Middle School PTSA, there are plenty of **volunteer opportunities** available to fit anyone's schedule. We rely on you! Please

fill out our volunteer form. You decide how you wish to help out and become involved.

We value your commitment to helping our students, staff, and school be the best they can be.

Our 2018-2019 Board looks forward to working with you and for you. Feel free to contact us with your comments.

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