

PTA Falcon Flyer

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Important Upcoming Dates

Sept 16 - 23 – Enrichment Registration

Sept 25 – Student Individual portraits by Yuen Lai Studios

Oct 5 – First PTA General Meeting

Oct 8 – Fairmountoberfest @ Ounces

Oct 9 – State In-Service Day - No School

Nov 6 – Falcon Fest

Fall Enrichment Enrollment is Happening NOW!

Registration: Ongoing now through next Wed, September 23 at 6pm. Fall Session runs **Friday, Oct 2 – Dec 11** (9 weeks of clubs!)

Calling all artists! We have two amazingly talented art enrichment providers who have space available in their clubs! **On Mondays, Artist Trading Cards** club will lead kids in using paint, paper engineering, beading, weaving etc. to create trading cards that are collected in binders and traded. They are also very, very SPECIAL cards, because they are designed and created by the kids themselves! This is open to grades 1-5. **On Thursdays, Mary from West Seattle Art Nest** brings her open art studio to Fairmount to let kids use new materials and their imaginations to create their own projects each week. This is currently open to grades 1-3 but if you have an older kid who wants to join, please email enrichment@fpepta.org to let us know!

Also, **JUMP ROPE IS BACK!** at Fairmount Park on **Mondays** (grades 2-5). We're so lucky to have Rope Works' Jump Rope for Fun and Fitness program coming back to Fairmount Park this session. You don't need to be a jump rope expert to join! Learn cool tricks, build confidence, get fit—and have a blast jumping rope! Ropeworks is led by 5-Time World Rope Jumping Champion Rene Bibaud, a former Cirque du Soleil artist and coach with more than 35 years of experience teaching youth fitness and jump rope. You don't want to miss this club!

If you're on a waitlist, don't despair! There is sometimes movement from waitlist to clubs. AND... We also still have lots of other club options with room available such as Let's Dance (with coach Maria!) and Spanish clubs (both grades 1-5) on Tuesdays, All Sport (Basketball, Kickball, Soccer, Capture the Flag etc.) for grades 1-3 on Wednesdays, Robotics Explorer (grades 1-3) on Thurs and Circus Movement (grades 1-5) on Friday! For the full list of clubs, find the Fairmount Park listing on Homeroom.com.

PLEASE NOTE: To Kindergarten families, we know you're excited to take part in enrichment (thanks for checking in!). We don't offer enrichment to Kinders in the fall so that they can focus on adjusting to a longer school day and new routines. But we will have club offerings for them later this school year.

Volunteers Needed!

PTA Enrichment depends on parent chaperones to run our program. Just one **2-hour shift per week** guarantees your child a spot *and* a scholarship.

Email enrichment@fpepta.org to learn more.

Financial support available: Scholarships offered to families in need while supplies last. Please reach out to as soon as possible. Flexible payment plans also available at checkout through **Affirm** (4 equal, no-fee payments). Questions?

Email enrichment@fpepta.org.

Yuen Lui Studio will Photograph Individual Portraits Friday, Sept 25

Families can preorder portraits here: [2026-27 Fairmount Park Elementary Picture Day 9/25](#). Print orders will be delivered to the school in 3-4 weeks after picture day; digital orders will be sent via email from no-reply@imagequix.com. Please [Contact Yuen Lui Studio](#) with any questions.

Don't Forget to Donate for School Supplies

Thanks to the 119 families who have already donated, we've received \$7800 so far! However, we're still quite a bit short of the \$13,000 the PTA spent to pre-purchase school supplies based on lists provided by each classroom teacher.

Please [donate](#) \$40 per student to cover the cost of supplies if you can. Please also consider adding a little more to help support the cost of supplies for other families.

Donation link - <https://square.link/u/WYVmfAe>

First PTA General Meeting Monday, Oct 5

Please join us on Monday, October 5 in the cafeteria from 6:30 - 8pm for our first PTA general meeting of the year. The agenda includes going over our plans for the year, discussing events for our calendar, providing a financial update, and updates from our committee chairs. We'll also hear from our Principal, Ms. Davis, about how the start of the school year is going. You do not need to be a PTA member to attend. Meeting is also available over [Zoom](#) but we have very limited A/V capabilities in the cafeteria so the meeting can be difficult to follow online.

Fairmountoberfest @ Ounces Thursday, October 8th 5 - 7pm

Welcome to autumn, Falcon fams!! Gather your FPE friends and bring your families to Ounces for Fairmountoberfest – a family-friendly fundraiser night at Ounces Taproom & Beer Garden! Join us October 8th from 5 - 7pm and a percentage of all food (from Burbs Burgers onsite) and drink purchases will be donated back to the PTA! Lots of family-friendly fun in store including crafts, games & activities for kids, plus Stein Holding Competitions (for parents & kids) to crown the king of the blacktop!

Falcon Fest is Friday, Nov 6 - Help Plan This Year's Event

Fairmount Park's annual fall fun festival, Falcon Fest, is scheduled for Friday, Nov 6 from 6:30 – 8pm, free for all Fairmount families! We are looking for a few parents to join the Falcon Fest planning committee to make this event great. Time commitment is only 1-2 meetings gathering ideas and organizing based on last year's template, and then 1-2 hours of volunteer time to gather supplies and setup for the event. Give your input on what you'd like to see (food trucks, games, etc). Email president@fairmountparkpta.org if you might be able to help plan this year's event. We are also always looking for volunteers for a 1 hr shift at Falcon Fest, signup sheet coming soon or email volunteer@fairmountparkpta.org if you'd like to help.

Get involved with the FPE PTA

The PTA board is still looking for a few more people to fill roles for this year. This is a great opportunity to help support the school. Most roles take only 2-3hr/month or could even be just helping put on one event a year. If you're able to help fill a role or are just interested in learning more, please email Ryan (president@fpepta.org) to set up an informational coffee/chat. We particularly welcome K-2 parents to get involved.

Equity Co-Chairs

The equity chairs work with the school's racial equity team to coordinate equity efforts at the school, including equity events like the families of color dinner. The equity chair(s) can also serve as contacts for equity issues at the school and advise the board on equity efforts and opportunities in the community. We have one chair already and are seeking co-chairs to help.

Social Chair/Committee

This role is focused on celebrating school spirit and coming up with a calendar of fun events throughout the year that are exciting for parents and kids to celebrate together. Larger examples include Falcon Fest, Maker's Fair, Glow Party or smaller events like skate, bowling, or movie night. The chair/committee would be helping organize events,

handle calendaring, and then working with individual event leads/volunteers to put on larger actual events. Ideally a person in this role loves creating fun and excitement about our school. We're also looking for volunteers to help put on one event if you cannot commit to an ongoing role.

Fundraising Chair/Committee

This role leads our fundraising effort(s) for the year such as the Blue Envelope Drive and other spring fundraising activity as needed. The person(s) in this role helps come up with fun and creative ways to highlight the impact PTA funding has on our school and encourage giving to benefit the school community. We're looking for someone to continue to build on an already successful program. Previous fundraising experience is a plus but is not required.

Legislative/Advocacy Chair

This role leads our efforts to understand and promote advocacy at the local school board and state legislative level, working with other local PTAs and tracking state and Seattle level PTA recommendations. This is a great role if you are passionate about what's going on to drive education funding or other policy changes and want to help organize and promote advocacy among our Fairmount Park community.

Reservations Coordinator

Help support our board and committees by working with the SPS online building room reservation system to reserve space for PTA events. Easy to do on your own time and only takes a few minutes a month.

Parent Education

Organize events/speakers on feature topics of interest to the parent community to help build understanding or add skills. Previous examples have been around screen time management, gender identity, and understanding the SPS IDP process, but could be anything that would help us learn as parents how to better support our kids. The board is hoping to put out 1-2 events next year.

Sign up for PTA Membership

2026-27 Fairmount Park Elementary PTA memberships are \$20 for each adult. Membership dues go to support advocacy efforts by the Seattle Council of PTAs and Washington State PTA that benefit our kids through increased funding and support for public schools. Please consider [becoming a PTA member](#). It's a great way to stay informed about what's going on with education in Seattle and, importantly this year, at the state level for funding. There's no additional requirement for donations or volunteer hours for members. Membership link

- <https://www.givebacks.com/causes/wspta-fpepta/shop/items/564025bc94225b>

Visit our online store for Falcon Gear

Show your Fairmount Park Elementary pride by wearing your Falcon Gear. All sizes, lots of colors, and a bunch of fun designs are available on our [online](#) store (search FPETPA on Zazzle). Items are printed on demand and shipped directly to you.

****Please follow the PTA on Instagram @fairmountparkpta, Facebook @fpepta, or check out our website Fairmountparkpta.org****

Do YOU have anything that you would like to include in the Falcon Flyer? Send an email with the information to falconflyer@fairmountparkpta.org, and we'll make sure it's included in next week's issue. Fairmount Park Elementary or SPS community related content only, please.