



MPA JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

- **PTA Meeting:** 1/30
- **Early Release:** 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22
- **NO SCHOOL:** Friday, 2/2
- **MPA Meeting:** Tuesday, 2/13
- **Presidents Day Holiday:** Monday, 2/19
- **Montessori Parent Info Night:** 2/22/24
- **Teacher/Family Conferences, No school:** 2/29 & 3/1
- **Skipper's Takeover:** 3/20
- **Hanging Basket Fundraiser:** Orders due in early April, TBA
- **Nature Bridge, 5th Grade:** June 3-5



Book fair is coming up! Tuesday, January 30 – Thursday, February 1

Here are the teachers Fairy Fund links:

📖 General Fairy Fund- https://shop.scholastic.com/ewallet/fund?lang=en_US...

📖 Boatman Fairy Fund- https://shop.scholastic.com/ewallet/fund?lang=en_US&walletId=ecbad088-502c-4914-a354-819d4165f6f0

📖 Baker Fairy Fund- https://shop.scholastic.com/ewallet/fund?lang=en_US...

📖 David Fairy Fund- https://shop.scholastic.com/ewallet/fund?lang=en_US...

📖 Robinson Fairy Fund- https://shop.scholastic.com/ewallet/fund?lang=en_US...

📖 Hayes Fairy Fund- https://shop.scholastic.com/ewallet/fund?lang=en_US...

📖 Galvan Fairy Fund- https://shop.scholastic.com/ewallet/fund?lang=en_US...



Join us for the MPA February Meeting

Date: **Tuesday, February 13, 2024**

Time: **5:30 pm**

Location: **Google Meet**

Want to get involved? Families are welcome to attend to learn about the MPA and how we can support our students and teachers. There are still some open positions on the board, too! Join us at the next meeting!

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CENTRAL KITSAP SCHOOL DISTRICT
MONTESSORI
PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

FEBRUARY 27 | 5:30PM
HEJP GYM | 2900 AUSTIN DR, BREMERTON, WA

All parents and community members interested in learning more about the CKSD Montessori program are invited to attend this annual event. Attendance to this event is a primary step in the application process.

MEET THE TEACHERS
MONTESSORI PHILOSOPHY
MONTESSORI CURRICULUM
EXPECTATIONS FOR PARENT INVOLVEMENT

If you are unable to attend the meeting you may go to www.CKMPA.org for application information
For additional information, please contact
Heather McMinds at 360-662-9000 or HeatherMc@ckschools.org



EO Statement
The Central Kitsap School District provides equal educational and employment opportunity without regard to race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation - including gender expression or identity, marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability, HIV/Hepatitis C status, or other bases protected by applicable law. Equal access to activities, facilities and programs is provided to the Boy Scouts of America and other designated youth groups.



By popular demand, we are doing a **Skipper's takeover!** Could you mark your calendar for **Wednesday, March 20**, and plan to dine at Skipper's? CKMPA will get 35 percent of the restaurant's proceeds from **4-8 p.m.** Tell your family and friends! We'll need a couple of shifts of volunteers to help deliver food and wipe down tables. Stay tuned for details! 🍴

In **April**, we'll be doing a *hanging basket fundraiser*. 🌸 Plan to get your hanging baskets this spring through CKMPA! For \$45, you'll get a decorative hanging basket from a PNW nursery. *We'll be collecting orders in early April, with basket delivery set for April 23.* Stay tuned for further details!

Fundraisers are how CKMPA pays for all the things that make our Montessori program special (things like IXL, field trips, the garden, Intermediate trips to Nature Bridge, special classroom materials and training for teachers, and more!) We are not doing our yearly auction in 2024, so please consider supporting our smaller fundraisers! If you have any questions, please Email Kim Rubenstein at fundraising.ckmpa@gmail.com!

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WE WANT YOU

The Montessori program is a cooperative agreement that hinges upon parental involvement.

Our MPA teachers do not have paraeducators; parent/family volunteers help make this program successful. We need volunteers in the classroom to continue the incredible curriculum and opportunities in this program. *Many teachers need volunteers to help grade paper, read with students, making copies, and much more.*

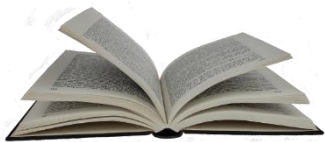
Please see some of the opportunities below or reach out directly to your child(ren)'s teacher(s) to see how you can support them and the MPA program!

Volunteer with Mrs. Ottmar by supporting our 1st grade readers in building confidence in their reading skills!

[Sign Up Here](#)

******These hours can be applied as your MPA hours!***

**Mrs. Ottmar
1st Grade
Reading
Volunteers**



READING VOLUNTEERS for Kindergarten

Mrs. Boatman needs parents to come read with her students. You do not need to have a child in her class to volunteer. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Volunteer Coordinator, Christina Jara at

MPAVolunteerCoordinator@gmail.com

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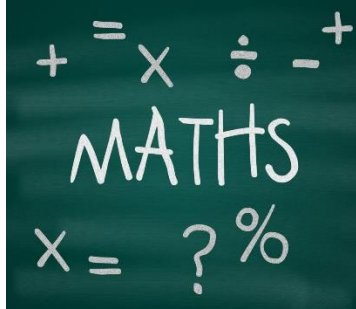
Miss Hayes is seeking volunteers!

Click the link about or email Miss Hayes at saraha@ckschools.org

MATH GAMES

Play math games with students and practice math skills through fun with students.

Fridays, 12:45 – 1:45



MATH SUPPORT

Weekly volunteers need. Help students with math lessons.

Wednesdays, 12:45 – 1:45

Ms. David Needs Reading Volunteers!

Sign up to come read with students!



Currently, the most *needed* volunteers on campus are:

- **BREAKFAST/DROP-OFF**
- **RECESS**
- **LUNCH**



If you are looking to get involved, please consider these volunteer opportunities. HEJP students & teachers need YOU!

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

MORE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ARE COMING!

Your MPA Board is working with our teachers to identify needs inside and outside of the classroom. **Christina Jara, Volunteer Coordinator**, will publish the availability of these opportunities once confirmed. Questions about any opportunities?

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2023-2024 MPA Board

Want to get involved? There are openings on the board.

Email president.ckmpa@gmail.com for details

President: Vanessa Henne
Treasurer: Ashley Armstrong

Vice President: Loredana Elsberry Schwartz
Secretary: Mindy Sylvestre

Volunteer Coordinator: Christina Jara

Fundraising Chair: Kim Rubenstein

Auction Chair: **(open)**

Kindergarten Representative: Deb Mason

Primary Representative:

Intermediate Representative: **(open)**

Webmaster: Seth Schroeder

Hospitality Chair: **(open)**

Garden Chair: Lauren Wheeler

Humanitarian Chair: Breezy Mitchell

PTA Liaison: Breezy Mitchell

Events Coordinator: Jen Dixon

Newsletter Editor: Loredana Elsberry Schwartz

VOLUNTEER & TRACK IT FORWARD!



Login: email address

Password: First name (capitalize)

Parents are asked to volunteer 4 hours per month, or you may purchase volunteer hours for \$10 per hour via the website or check payment. Please email **MPA Volunteer Coordinator Christina Jara** MPAVolunteerCoordinator@gmail.com with any questions.

Submit Volunteer Hours via Track it Forward

Please log in your volunteer hours with the app "Track it Forward." You can access a link from our website and create an account at www.ckmpa.org/volunteer. You can also download the app to your phone for easy access to log your hours. If you created an account last year, your credentials are still valid.

Purchase Volunteer Hours with PayPal

You may pay for your volunteer hours via our PayPal account. Access our link from our website at www.ckmpa.org/volunteer. If you do pay, we also ask that you log into "Track it Forward" and log your hours as "paid."



Does your company or employer offer matching gifts?

If so, please consider submitting your contributions for a matching gift to the MPA. Need more info?
Contact MPA Treasurer at treasurer.ckmpa@gmail.com

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