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Somerset PTSA Goals

- Support academic, creative, and artistic achievement as well as the social well-being of students
- Nurture communication between PTSA members and Somerset teachers and staff
- Promote diversity in PTSA membership and leadership
- Encourage school spirit and pride

Focus on "The 3-Cs" for 2011-2012

- * **Community** *
- * **Communication** *
- * **Collaboration** *

Return the enclosed
Membership/Volunteer Form and
payment to:

**Somerset Elementary PTSA
14100 Somerset Blvd. SE
Bellevue, WA 98006
425.456.5800**

Or deliver envelope marked PTSA to the
Somerset office or your child's teacher

***To print out a membership form or
gather more information about the
Somerset PTSA, our events and
activities please visit our website:***

www.somersetptsa.org

Somerset Elementary PTSA



***Invest in your child.
Invest in the PTSA.***

Become a member NOW!

\$25

per household/per year

*Register by **October 1st** to
guarantee receipt of a directory.*

The Somerset PTSA dedicates over \$70,000 per year directly to academic programs and other school activities.

PTSA Programs Include:

- Art Imagination
- Back-to-School Events
- Communication including Somerset Star ENews and the PTSA Website (www.somersetptsa.org)
- Classroom & curriculum supplies
- Grade level activities (field trips, assemblies, Roots of Empathy)
- Family Game & Movie Nights
- Festival of Cultures
- Field Day
- Health & Wellness and Health Room
- Literacy & Math Support Programs
- Math & Chess Clubs
- Reflections (National Arts Program)
- Safety Patrol
- School Pictures and Yearbook
- Staff Appreciation
- Young Scientist Week

These programs and activities and not funded by the State of Washington or Bellevue School District. Without financial and volunteer support from you and the PTSA, these programs would disappear.

Your membership supports the PTSA infrastructure so we can meet the legal requirements to raise funds.

Your contributions support the high quality academic programs at Somerset!

**A strong PTSA enhances your child's educational experience.
Great teachers +
Financial Support + Volunteers =
Top Ranked School**

We need to raise \$100 or more per child this year

Simple ways to contribute to the fundraising events for the 2011-2012 school year are:

- *No Effort* donations such as Box Tops, Jamba Juice Cards, eScrips, Amazon.com, & corporate matching
- *Traditional* Fundraisers such as our Fall Walkathon
- *Donations*, whether direct financial contributions or in-kind contributions to our annual Spring Rummage Sale
- *Sponsorships* in our directory and for certain events; contact our VP Ways & Means

Somerset PTSA is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization and may qualify for **corporate matching funds** from your company. Take advantage of this support – download a form today!

WHAT IS THE PTSA?

The PTSA, or Parent-Teacher-Student Association, is a private, not-for-profit organization of parents, teachers, students and community members striving to better the lives of children by supporting their academic success and social well-being.

When you join the Somerset PTSA, you are automatically a member of our local, as well as state and national associations. This structure allows our PTSA to benefit from outstanding training & support.

WHY JOIN THE PTSA?

- 1) **Join a strong community** of educators, neighbors, family, community members and parents that encourage student achievement and support the enrichment of a learning environment.
- 2) **Help build partnerships** between our families and our school. The strength of our PTSA lies in our members' dedication, time, energy, creativity and financial support.
- 3) **Get directly involved** with your child's PTSA educational sponsored programs and activities.
- 4) **Stay connected** - Only PTSA members receive the student directory. These indispensable directories are not available for purchase and are exclusively for PTSA members who sign up at the beginning of the school year.

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MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership Dues: \$25/household
(\$10 for Somerset Teachers & Staff)

Method of Payment:

Cash Check (Payable to Somerset PTSA)

Number of adults in household: 1 2
(Maximum: 2 per household listed)

Parent's Name(s):

1: _____

Email

2: _____

Email

	Student's Name	Teacher
1:	_____	_____
2:	_____	_____
3:	_____	_____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Employer(s): _____

My employer offers a Matching Funds Program

My check includes a donation to support
membership scholarships \$ _____

My check includes a donation to the PTSA
general fund to support our amazing programs

500 250 100 50 25 other \$ _____

Your information will be used for or printed private
annual student directory and labels for mailings related
to PTSA business and school activities. Since most
correspondence is by e-mail, please keep your e-mail
address current at our website www.somersetpsa.org.

Please do not include my information in the
directory.

VOLUNTEER FORM

The PTSA only functions due to the
generous support of its members. Your
contribution can be more than
financial: please let us know how you
would like to help.

Yes! Please contact me for:

**General volunteering on an
event-by-event basis**

(e.g. helping with Picture Day, Science
Night, Field Day). We will keep your email
on file and contact you when opportunities
present themselves. If it works for you,
just reply; if not, wait until the next one –
it is that easy!

Best times for me to volunteer are:

During school Evenings
 After school Weekends

**Specific committees or
leadership positions** _____

There are plenty of resources and training
for any level that interests you. For a list of
committees, please see somersetpsa.org
→ About → Programs and Committees.
Each committee can use volunteers. Time
commitment is variable; the chair will
contact you to meet your schedule.

**Have other great skills you
would like to share with our
school community?** We can use
your talents in accounting, web,
engineering, math, etc. Please let us
know if there is anything else you
would like to help with or see at our
school.

Skills/Ideas: _____

Thank you for your support!