

# Falcon Flyer - December 6, 2020



## Your weekly news & updates



Happy Holidays from your Rachel Carson PTSA Board! We hope that your families are staying healthy and finding the good in these unprecedented times. We are continuing with our Helping Hands and Warm Coat drive this year as they are needed more than ever. Please see below for more information on how you can help serve your community.

## Carson Cares - Holiday Helping Hands

Thank you so much for your willingness to lend a helping hand. Every year our school reaches out to families in our east lake learning community that could use a little extra help during the holiday season and provide them with new unused gift items. This year has been such a rollercoaster for us all. While we are grateful for the health and warmth of our house and family, let's get together to help our community in need. COVID-19 has affected all parts of our society, especially how we help one another in times like these. Instead of choosing items from the list like previous years, we are requesting gift cards/e-cards this year.

- Gift cards can be dropped off at Carson between December 2nd -December 16th from 7:30am - 3pm. Please ring the bell and the front office will collect them from you
- E-cards can be purchased and sent to our school counselor Mrs. Driftmier at [driftmier@lwsd.org](mailto:driftmier@lwsd.org)
- Gift Cards can be also be mailed to the school:



Carson Elementary School  
1035 244th Ave NE  
Sammamish, WA 98074

*\*Please follow safety precautions including face masks and 6 feet distance while on the school grounds.*

Thank you so much for your generosity to lend a helping hand.  
For any queries please contact Maryem Naveed (Community Outreach) at [maryemnaveed@hotmail.com](mailto:maryemnaveed@hotmail.com)

## Winter Coat Drive

Have a new or gently used coat to donate?

A chill is in the air and our community members without adequate winter gear are in our hearts! Carson is collecting winter gear including:

- New or gently used coats. Gently worn coats should be clean and wearable.
- Scarves
- Hats
- Gloves
- New socks

**Collection date:** December 2<sup>nd</sup> – December 15<sup>th</sup>

**Location:** Outside Carson main entrance. There will be a big storage box for drop offs. Please close the lid after placing your items.

**Note:** Please follow ssp including face masks and 6 feet distance while on the school grounds. For any queries please contact Maryem Naveed (Community Outreach) at [maryemnaveed@hotmail.com](mailto:maryemnaveed@hotmail.com)



## WHY JOIN THE PTSA?

Becoming a member of the PTSA supports your child in countless ways! PTSA strives to promote the highest possible standard of well-being and education. Here are just a few of the programs that Carson PTSA supports:

- School Assemblies
- Academic Enrichment: Carson Art Program, Accelerated Reader, Reflections
- Scholarships
- Classroom Equipment and Supplies, including Library, PE and Music
- Choir
- Educational Enrichment Transportation
- Student Directory

- School Yearbook
- Emergency Preparedness
- Joining the PTSA DOES NOT commit you to volunteering!

### By joining the PTSA you can:

- Vote at PTSA meetings on important issues dealing with your child's education
- Member benefits including several discounts on car rentals, printing needs, Great Wolf Lodge, Theme Parks, and more: <https://www.wastatepta.org/get-involved/member-benefits/>

### How to Join

- Online only: <http://carsonpts.org/Home>
- \$25 for a family membership; \$15 for an individual membership

## Math Challenge

Math challenge packet is available at <https://www.mathinaction.org/rachel-carson.html>.  
Solution for 4th packet is available online. The 5th math challenge starts on Nov 20th, due Dec 10th.  
Have fun doing math!

## Planet Youth Project

Planet Youth Project brings together high-achieving high school students and local elementary school children in an effort to spread awareness on climate change in a fun, virtual after-school program lasting 8 weeks. Through an engaging curriculum focused on individual action and advocacy, we hope to forge positive habits, instill leadership skills, and improve our community. [Sign up here](#) or find out more by visiting our website: [planetyouthproject.webnode.com](http://planetyouthproject.webnode.com)

### Planet Youth Project

Free 8-week program for elementary school students starting January 2021!



Weekly meetings consisting of fun educational activities about climate change encouraging kids to take action and become leaders in their communities!

LEARN MORE AT: [planetyouthproject.webnode.com](http://planetyouthproject.webnode.com)

***AVAILABLE POSITIONS* on the PTSA Board for 2020-21**



There is still time to join our board for the upcoming school year! Please consider the following positions and if you would like more information, please contact Ayesa Kaur at [president@carsonptsa.org](mailto:president@carsonptsa.org).

- **Executive Vice President- OPEN:** Assist the President with meetings and committees
- **Co-Treasurer - OPEN**
- **Member At Large - OPEN**

## Pass The Hat Fundraiser



Hello Carson Families!

Have you donated to our PTSA Pass the Hat Donation? Instead of the Fun Run this year, our school fundraiser this year is the Pass the Hat Donation event. During these unpredictable times, our goal is to raise \$6,000 to cover for teacher stipends.

If you haven't donated, please take the time to visit [www.carsonptsa.org](http://www.carsonptsa.org)

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Help us earn money for our school by downloading the new app to your phone and start scanning those receipts!



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**December 11: SPIRIT DAY** - Your Future is BRIGHT!

**December 18: SPIRIT DAY** - Pajama Day

*Carson PTSA electronically distributes the Falcon Flyer to all Carson families each Sunday of the school year. This newsletter links you to the Carson PTSA Website - your source for Carson PTSA news and information. Submit any article requests to [communications@carsonptsa.org](mailto:communications@carsonptsa.org) before Wednesdays at noon.*

*Our mission is to support and serve the Rachel Carson Elementary School and Community, and promote the wellness, safety, education and enrichment of all children. Thank you for supporting Carson PTSA!*



Rachel Carson PTSA Website

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