



What is your favorite part of PTA meetings?
What might you add to our meetings?
What would you omit from our meeting?
(a suggestion)

+ School updates ★
x Small group internet conversations ditto ★ add this ★
+ Update on needs ditto SAME!

+ PARENT CONNECTIONS / KNOWING WHO'S INVOLVED ditto

* Dinner & Child care ditto * * * * * 😊
→ essential for reg attendance for us!
(-)+ PRE-PLAN AHEAD OF MEETING (MORE ORGANIZATION / CLARITY) ★ ✓

qvc as INTERPRETER ✓
* link (electronic) to agenda a few days in advance limit divergence
this project

increase ↑ time to share, build, dream + strategize together * * * ✓
↓ time for updates that can be easily shared in other formats *

;) Include more intentional opportunities for building community among parents/carers ★ * * * ✓

Teachers! even via pre-recorded videos if too late @ night? * * * ★

Reimbursed at home child care via Polihisit

★ access outside online

Why do you come to PTA meetings?

- Be engaged in what school needs ✓ ✱ - support and ✱ build on the school community
- see what's going on / happening? ✱ - see other parents
- ditto for me
- Find out how I can help & what's going on ✓ ✓ ✓ ✱
- Engage with school community ✓ ✓
- To build a stronger relationship with our school as a community and to learn from others. ♥ ✓ ✱ ✱ ✓
- Community building, connecting, information. ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
- IT'S MY MAIN WAY TO GET INFO ON WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SCHOOL (DATES AND BACKGROUNDS)
- LISTEN FOR OPPORTUNITIES AND HELP FACILITATE THOSE INTO ACTION

Or... why don't you come to PTA meetings?

✓ Late night for child - DITTO ✓ ✓

- Time constraints (younger kids) ✓ ✱
- Busy work/life schedules
- + Sometimes the agenda doesn't feel meaningful.
- late, late, late,
- Nothing gets done ✓

Mornings or after-school hours considered?

- Tuesdays don't work well for me.

- I've come a few times and felt that much of it was reporting out (could have been an email) rather than generating ideas together. ✓ ✓

- We sometimes have to divide & conquer: We are a MLK And Harriet Tubman PTA household!

What is the point of having a PTA?
What do you believe should be the most important part of our PTA?

★ Support the work of the school (Teachers, students, Admin, Parents etc)
★ Build community w/in the school
★ Advocate for the school to the larger community

★ Conocer mas de la escuela y el bien estar de los estudiantes.
Por ejemplo tener un techo en el area de los juegos. *¡lo mismo Same!*

★ To hear and address people's concerns
★ SEE OPPORTUNITIES AND HELP FACILITATE THOSE INTO ACTIONS
★ Create a strong connection between THE SCHOOL AND ITS Families

Can we change the name to PTSA? (Parent, Teacher, Student)

Improve and Support Community

★ Give our students similar or better opportunities *✓ to other students in portland and the world.*
★ Be creative

What happens to our PTA does? How does it support us?

Supplement + Support the work of our teachers + staff and involve as many parents as possible

★ Learn what's most important to school/family. Support ea. other. Make lasting connections for Families

Q What is your least favorite part of our PTA meeting? What might you add and/or what might you omit?

- * Feeling shamed for "being in the room" when others aren't. ^{I would love to hear discussions/processing of this}
- * Break out sessions! ^{more of this?}
^{NO WINE OR BEER - Cafeteria is too cold.}
- * ↓ involvement (seriously)

Want • more parents + representation

- to discuss how to get more voices
- More community building opportunities/events ^{short meetings w/ events next}
- ^{not} attached to PTA meetings (tone)
- Rebrand "PTA" what it is.
- Change environment ^(new location?)
- like cafeteria better than library ^{look at other schools}
- Invite outside organizations that are connected to our school/community to do a presentation or exercise in a workshop/project

This is essential if we want more representation
SEI, basketball, etc.

WANT

- * Better mass communication (email everyone on updates/upcoming events)
- more publicity
- * More members
- find out why parents don't want to join/what would attract them
- Can put PTA ^{activities can school sign up for} meeting dates on FB page under event
- PTA REBRAND - WHAT IS IT REALLY? IS IT CALLED PTA - IN FUTURE
- More BEVERAGES (beer/wine)
- How about PTA Happ Hour/Winter Social?
- Can also host a PTA Social for grade

