



Seattle Lutheran
HIGH SCHOOL

Parent Association Handbook 2016-2017

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THE PURPOSE OF SLHS PA

The Parent Association is comprised of all parents, guardians, and other supporters of Seattle Lutheran High School and St. Christopher’s Academy. Its mission is to support the school and to enhance the educational experience of students by enriching the quality of the school community.

The Parent Association carries out this mission by:

Building Community

- Partnering with the school to provide opportunities and programs that support and strengthen the school community.
- Supporting new families with orientation to the school community.
- Communicating news, events, and needs with our families.
- Partner with SLHS to reach out into our greater community.
- Plan and coordinate volunteers for various school events.
- Coordinate teacher appreciation.

Investing In Our Community

- Partners with the school to fund many of the programs that extend our student’s learning.
- Provides grants for teacher professional development ie. workshops, teachers Conference.
- Provides grants for materials to enhance classroom instruction.
- Awards 2 leadership scholarships each year at graduation.
- Provides parenting support resources and education.

PA OVERVIEW

All parents or guardians of SLHS and SCA students are members of the Seattle Lutheran High School Parent Association. There are no membership dues. Grandparents, alumni families, and other members of the SLHS community are welcome to participate in our mission. The PA holds three general assembly meetings during each school year. The purpose of these meetings is for members to:

- Join in fellowship with other parents and teachers.
- Find out about upcoming school activities.
- Learn about the many programs the PA funds in support of the school.
- Learn how to get involved in fundraisers. Be a part of your school, make a difference, and easily fulfill your PIP hours.

The PA has an executive board of officers, who are elected by the PA general assembly. The executive board meets monthly and works with the school administration, faculty and various sub-committees to oversee and direct the activities of the PA.

BE INFORMED

PA is **YOUR** resource to learn what is going on at SLHS. Your ideas and input are always welcome!

The three yearly PTH general meetings are an excellent way to get updated on school activities, learn about PA, and provide input on school related issues. PA general meetings are open to all families.

Join us at this year’s PTH General Assembly Meetings:

- Monday, September 12th at 7 PM in conjunction with Back to School Night
- Monday, February 27th at 7 PM in conjunction with Special Guest Speaker
- Monday, May 22nd at 7 PM in conjunction with Community Night

Communication reps from each class send out class specific updates following our monthly board meetings. Don't hesitate to contact the PTH board members if you have questions, ideas, suggestions, or feedback.

BE INVOLVED

PTH is for **YOU!** Curious about what is going on at SLHS? Would you like to have stronger bonds with other SLHS families? At the heart of Seattle Lutheran High School's ability to successfully provide a Christ centered and student-focused environment is a high level of cooperation and involvement on the part of parents and guardians. Parent support of and interest in a student's academics, activities, sports and college planning are essential to the SLHS community. There are many ways to get involved: volunteer to join the Parent Association (PA) Board, attend athletic and dramatic events. There are also opportunities for you to get involved by voicing your ideas and opinions, or helping on small projects. Your efforts will be greatly appreciated and benefit the entire school body. Never worry about PIP hours again!

PA – REGULARLY SPONSORED FUNDRAISERS

Our ability to balance the PA budget is based on our success at fundraising. The PA regularly sponsors the following fundraising activities. Your participation in these and other fundraisers is critical to our success in reaching our mission.

SLHS Green's Sale

Chairs: Lisa West (seeking a co-chair and a Freshman shadow)

Date: September-December 10th.

We start early getting into the spirit of Christmas! We rely on this very important fundraisers to bring in over half of what we need to fulfill our mission. The greens are beautiful and priced comparable to what you will see in the community. Support our school by purchasing greens from SLHS. Spread the word to friends and family! An order form is distributed at the all parent meeting and is also available at www.seattlelutheran.org.

Put on your Christmas cheer and earn PIP hours at the same time! The chair of this fundraiser meets your complete PIP requirement.

SLHS Plush Pippin's Pie Sale

Chairs: Michele Olson and Kirsten Skinner

Date: November-December / Ongoing

This is an easy way to support your school by purchasing your pies at SLHS for the holidays. These Pies are delicious and a great value!

Spring Fundraiser TBD

Chairs: TBD

Date: Spring TBD

PARENT INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM (PIP)

Seattle Lutheran High School parents, students, per the SLHS enrollment contract, are required to perform 20 hours of PIP activities/annually. The faculty and staff of SLHS look forward to working with you!

Program Purpose:

- To foster closer identification of all families with the school through parent involvement.
- To capitalize on the values of working together and getting to know each other.
- To tap community, parent, and family resources in order to enrich the school program.
- To support and encourage teachers.
- To provide real assistance to the school coupled with monetary savings.

Volunteer or “PIP” hours:

- Participation in PIP may be performed by parents, grandparents, and guardians, not students.
- Extra hours served cannot be transferred to another family.
- PIP hours carry a value of \$25 each. Hours not served from June 1 through May 31 will be billed by the School after May 31 with payment due by June 15.
- Please click [here](#) to complete and submit your PIP form to the school.
- Support Scrip! One PIP hour may be earned for every \$100.00 purchase of Saints Scrip. Please see the website <http://www.seattlelutheran.org/saints-scrip/> for more details.
- Some PIP activities include: attendance at SLHS Parent Association Meetings; providing refreshments and help at events; assisting with class events such as: Freshman Social, Back to School BBQ, dances, etc.
- PIP Opportunity information is included in weekly emails from school.
- May be worked in many ways, including working on fundraisers, helping teachers, working in the school office and maintaining the school grounds.
- Are to be recorded on the PIP forms electronically via the school website (click on “Parents,” then “PIP Form”).

- Are automatically fulfilled in full each year for any person serving on the PA Board for a complete academic year.
- A PIP year runs from June 1 through May 31. For example, for the 2013-2014 school year, PIP hours must be served between June 1, 2013, and May 31, 2014.

SLHS IS A GREAT PLACE TO VOLUNTEER!

All parents are encouraged to participate in school events and activities. Below is a list of events and activities and who is responsible for hosting. Hosting typically includes organizing event, providing refreshments, set up and break down of chairs, tables, etc. Each class typically is responsible for two events each year. Fundraising events are the responsibility of all classes.

Date	Events and Activities	Class or Group Hosted By:
August	Back to School BBQ	Host: School
September	New Parent Information Night	Host: School
	Back to School Night	Host: Senior Class Families
	College Night	Host: Junior Class Families
October	Homecoming Dance	Host: ASB
	Open House for Prospective Students	Host: Sophomore Class Families
	Fall Greens and Pies Fundraisers	All Classes: Join the Holiday Green's or Pie Sales Team!
November	Fall Drama Production	Host: Drama Families
	College Financial Aid Night	Host: Senior Class Families
	Holiday Green's and Pie Sales	All Classes: Join the Holiday Green's or Pie Sales Team!
December	Fall Athletic Awards	Host: Booster

<p>December Continued.</p>	<p>Giving Day</p> <p>Holiday Green's Distribution</p> <p>Teacher Appreciation – ASK in kind financial donation.</p>	<p>All Classes: It's not too late! Help with Holiday Green distribution!</p> <p>Put your talents to use! Take on organizing a treat/small gift for your class to give each teacher.</p>
<p>January</p>	<p>Winter Ball</p> <p>Open House for Prospective Students –Hosted by the Senior Class Parents</p>	<p>Host: ASB</p> <p>Host: Freshman Class Families</p>
<p>February</p>	<p>All Parent Meeting</p>	<p>Host: Junior Class Families</p> <p>Earn PIP by attending</p>
<p>March</p>	<p>Winter Athletic Awards</p> <p>Tolo Dance</p>	<p>Host: Booster</p> <p>Host: ASB</p>
<p>April</p>	<p>Spring Drama Production</p>	<p>Host: Drama Families</p>
<p>May</p>	<p>National Teacher Appreciation Week</p> <p>Prom</p>	<p>All Classes: All week prepare and serve breakfast each day to teachers. Do you have a special talent? Car washing? Massage?</p> <p>Host: ASB</p>

May Continued.	Senior Project Presentations	Host: School
	Community Night	Host: Freshman Class Families
	Spring Athletic Awards	Host:
June	Academic Awards and Honor Society	Host: Sophomore Class
	Induction	Families
	Agape	Host: School
	Graduation	Host: School

Ways YOU can volunteer at SLHS that count toward PIP

Join the PA Board

Attend PA General Assembly Meetings

Fundraising

Host School Functions -set up/take down/treats

Provide Snacks at School Functions

Teacher Appreciation

Auction Chair/Co-Chair

Auction Subcommittees

Music Program Assistance

Drama Program Assistance

Robotics Program Assistance

Athletic Program Assistance

Campus and Building Maintenance

Office Assistance

Special Talents and Skills

Chaperone Activities