

The Connection

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President's Message

Thank you for all that you do!

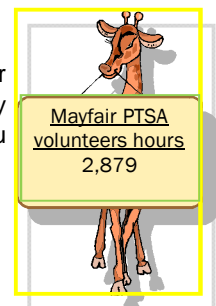
As the Spring Semester began, PTSA continues with many activities. I would like to say thank you to all volunteers for your commitment in helping our students. As a single working parent, I totally understand that sometimes you may not be available. However, any amount of time that you can offer is greatly appreciated. And always keep in mind that if you can volunteer, you can still help our students by joining PTSA. The cost is \$6.00 and the money received is used to help our children. An article entitled "A Code of Ethics for Volunteers" was published in The Communicator on the California State PTA website in the March 2008 edition. It eloquently summarizes how we should govern ourselves as volunteers. It stated:

- ◇ As a volunteer I realize that I am subject to a code of ethics similar to that which binds the professional in the field in which I work. Like them, I assume certain responsibilities and expect to account for what I do in terms of what I am expected to do.
- ◇ I will keep confidential matters confidential.
- ◇ I interpret "volunteer" to mean that I have agreed to work without compensation in money, but having been accepted as a worker, I expect to do my work according to standards, as the paid staff expect to do their work.
- ◇ I promise to take to my work an attitude of open-mindedness, to be willing to be trained for it, to bring to it interest and attention.
- ◇ I realize that I may have assets that my co-workers may not have. I will not let this make me feel inadequate and will still endeavor to assist in developing good teamwork
- ◇ I plan to find out how I can best service the activity for which I have volunteered, and to offer as much as I can give, but no more.
- ◇ I realize I must live up to my promise and, therefore, will be careful that my agreement is so simple and clear that it cannot be misunderstood.
- ◇ I believe that my attitude toward volunteer work should be professional. I believe that I have an obligation to my work, to those who direct it, to my colleagues, to those for whom it is done and to the public.

So far this year, we have volunteered for a total of 2,879 hours for Mayfair PTSA activities. I urge you not to run out of energy as we continue the journey to making a better future for every child. Again, we thank you for all that you do.

Parents – Teachers – Students – Our Community
Together we can brighten the future...for every child.

"Plug into PTSA" ... Get connected!



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Reflections

The National PTA Reflections program is a recognition and achievement program for students. This program encourages our students to express themselves through narrative writing, art and music.

As 1st Vice President of Programs, Chasity Hamamoto worked with teachers to ensure that this program was a success. This year, sixty-eight (68) students participated in several different categories. Of these participants, several were present at the Recognition Ceremony at Mayfair. Those students were recognized and they are moving forward to compete at the council and perhaps, district level. Good luck to those students!

Participants included:

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| Ryan Ramirez | Brooke Wickline |
| George Romero | Naomi Dizon |
| Harmanjeet Singh | Lisa Mizuochi |
| Emily Jue | Eric Hanes |
| Andrew Ramos | Aubrey Toucey |
| Annie Bou | Eric McDonough |
| Javen Pacion | Thenelle Cornejo |
| Elijah Figueroa | Dylan Ly |
| Samantha Covarrubios | Ken Nguyen |
| Carmen Minor | Sarah Clausen |
| Angela Paredes | Sydairee Dudley |
| Jasmine Va | Katherine Luza |
| Tiara Taylor | Nina Walker |
| Abigail Cooper | Alexandria Villegas |
| Eduardo Torres | Kaitlyn Schaper |
| Karla Colon | Aijah Johnson |
| Christopher Sosa | Esmeralda Orozco |
| Raqsmey Kong | Monica Lyons |
| Simon Ketema | Veronica Ferrell |
| Jazminn Parrish | Alice Oum |
| Zachary Herman | Alexa Stram |
| Valerie Aguilar | Jennifer Rubio |
| Kristina Keller | Nene Usim |
| Faith Widyatmadja | Alexander Ridgers |
| Cobe Hatcher | Kristen Miller |
| Allen Rogers | Kassie Klintworth |
| Anthony Turijan | Chyna Chin |
| Hannah Rosario | Claudia Succar |
| Kristen Heckerman | Erika Matsumoto |
| Charissa Boots | Ann Nguyen |
| Gregory Abellanosa | Megan Wielt |
| Bianca Remulla | Maricruz Palmas |
| Patrick Vidican | Gabriela Huerra |
| Justin Poirier | Joshua Bailey |

Reflection Theme

“Explore,
Dream,
Inspire”

Mayfair PTSA would like to send a big THANK YOU to all who participated.



Reflections

Bellflower Council held it's Reflections Awards Ceremony on March 4, 2014. The following students from Mayfair were recognized: Naomi Dizon, Ryan Ramirez, Audrey Toucey, Eric Hanes (not pictured below), Emily Jue and Harmanjeet Singh.

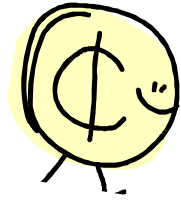
Students celebrating with Mayfair's Principal, Mr. Eeles.



Students celebrating with 1st Vice President, Programs, Chasity Hamamoto



School Cents



SHOP AND LOG RECEIPTS TO HELP YOUR SCHOOL

⇒ Bring your original receipt from Lakewood Center, Los Cerritos Center and Stonewood Center dated September 1, 2013 to May 15, 2014 to Guest Services at any of the centers. Log receipts at the center where the purchase was made. Our school will earn 5 points for each dollar spent. *Costco and Costco gas receipts from Lakewood Center receive two (2) points per dollar spent.

BONUS POINTS OFFERS:

⇒ Earn 1,000 points when you purchase a Mall gift card. Available at Guest Services

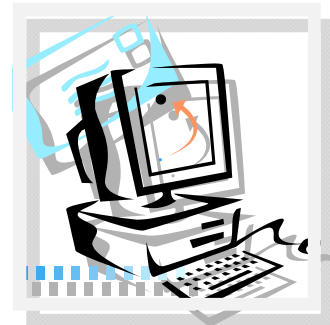


SIGN UP TO RECEIVE EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS & earn up to 4,000 points!



⇒ Visit shoppingpartnership.com

⇒ Select School Cents to register.



**You must be at least 13 years of age to register.*



Teen Scene

On February 6, 2014, students participated in Teen Scene, which was held at Columbia Memorial Space Day.

The Columbia Memorial Space Center is owned and operated by the City of Downey and was built on the site of the former NASA Downey facility. It is named the official national memorial to the Space Shuttle *Columbia* by a joint resolution of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. The Space Center honors the crew of STS-107 lost on February 1, 2003 .

The Center features a Robotics Lab, High Definition Computer Lab, and a wide range of interactive exhibits that provide engaging insights into Space Shuttle operations, living and working on the International Space Station, exploration of our solar system, aerospace engineering, and the range of fields of study and jobs related to human and robotic space exploration.



Students participated in lots of activities.



Joseph Preyer, II; Andy Barragan; & Matt Ayalo



Thank you for your support!

In addition to becoming a PTSA member, some parents, teachers and students gave donations to PTSA. Mayfair PTSA Executive Board would like to say thank you to the following people:

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Mission Statement of the California State PTA

The mission of the California State PTA is to positively impact the lives of all children and families by representing our members, and empowering and supporting them with skills in advocacy, leadership and communications.

Adopted by the California State PTA Board of Managers, October 2009

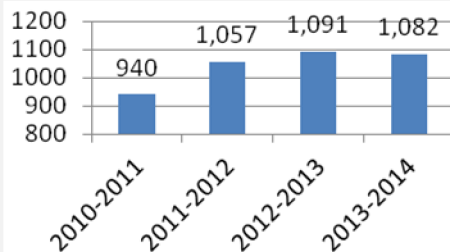
Purposes of the PTA

- To promote the welfare of children and youth in home, school, community, and place of worship.
- To raise the standards of home life.
- To secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.
- To bring into closer relation the home and the school, that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of children and youth.
- To develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social, and spiritual education.

every child. one voice.

The California State PTA has nearly 1 million members throughout the state working on behalf of public schools, children and families, with the motto, "every child, one voice." The PTA is the nation's oldest, largest and highest profile volunteer association working to improve the education, health and welfare of all children and youth. The PTA also advocates at national, state and local levels for education and family issues. The PTA is nonprofit, nonsectarian and noncommercial.

Membership



It is never too late to join PTSA! The #1 reason to join is to help our children. In doing so, you also help Mayfair Middle/High School. Here are a few reasons you should join:

- ⇒ Make a Difference. Not everyone has the time to volunteer. By becoming a member, you will positively impact your child's education.
- ⇒ Get Connected. It's a great way to know what is happening in your school
- ⇒ Help your child succeed. PTSA fosters parent involvement. Parent involvement has been proven, by three decades of research, to be the greatest predictor of student success.

We currently have 1,086 members at Mayfair. Simply complete a membership envelope, enclose \$6.00, and return it to the Mayfair High School Office. Once we receive your envelope, we will send you a membership card. This year's goal is to increase membership by 14%. Linda Morgan is the 3rd Vice President who is in charge of membership.