



# Blue Heron PTA

## What does the PTA do?

The goal of the Blue Heron PTA is to enrich the lives of students in our school by supporting:

- Programs in music, art, and PE
- The library
- The cafeteria and quality food-service programs
- Teachers – providing quick small grants of money so teachers can purchase supplies without using their own personal funds
- Other organizations working to the same goal – like the Port Townsend Education Foundation and ASB (our student leadership)

What else? We welcome new ideas for how our community can better support our school!

We support all grade levels at Blue Heron school, as well as the teachers, administrators and other staff who work here. Our desire is help foster happy, healthy kids and adults so that our students can reach their highest academic potential and quality of life -- in our school and beyond.

## “On the ground” support for our students and school

By being available every day at school, we can tune in and look for ways to support this learning environment. From providing small grants to teachers, to providing healthy snacks during testing (feeding brains and bodies!), to filling volunteer spaces when our teachers or administrators need extra hands – PTA is committed to supporting our school so that our kids have a great experience here.

## How to join the PTA

Your membership to Blue Heron PTA is good for one school year (so if you signed up last year, you need to join again this year). You can join by writing a check to “Blue Heron PTA” for \$12 if you’re an individual, or \$20 for a family. Of course, if you’d like to contribute more, we certainly welcome additional funds. Regardless of how much you give, we commit to using your funds wisely and to collaborate with other organizations (like ASB, PTEF and others) to assure that our resources are leveraged together to the best outcome for our schools.

## CONTACT US

We’d love to hear from you!  
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Last year, the PTA provided financial for student enrichment programs at Blue Heron School.

- Art Programs
- Nutrition Programs
- Physical Education
- Teacher Project Grants
- Social Events
- Library Reading Programs
- Music Education
- Snacks During Testing
- Staff Appreciation
- And much more.

### How does the Blue Heron PTA relate to ASB and the Port Townsend Education Foundation?

The Blue Heron PTA is committed to working in cooperation and collaboration with student leaders in ASB (and other student groups at school) and the Port Townsend Education Foundation (PTEF). We will not compete with nor duplicate the efforts of these organizations; each has an important role to play in our community. ASB is student-led, and uniquely important in allowing our kids to direct a set of programs they most want to see at school; however, ASB also has limits on how it can spend the funds it raises. Port Townsend Education Foundation is incredibly important because it raises larger amounts of money – through fundraisers, individual donors and business sponsorships – this provides powerful sources of funds that can bring in high quality programs, trainings and other opportunities to our schools. Blue Heron PTA provides onsite school support (like volunteers) and small grants to teachers for simple enhancements/tools they want to use in the classroom (or library, art, etc.).

### Joining is easy!

Active Membership:  Individual (\$12)  Family (\$20)  
Guilt-Free:\*  Individual (\$25)  Family (\$50)

*\*With this membership you can support Blue Heron PTA and opt out of being contacted to volunteer.*

Total Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Checks payable to Blue Heron PTA

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Student(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Are you available to help? Yes No

Best time of year you can help \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_