

## The Spartan Scoop – Skyline High School PTSA

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“Enrich, Enhance, Empower”

### October 12, 2011 – Issue #1 Highlights

- PTSA Communications
- General Membership Meeting
- Spartan Grants
- Reflections
- Mock ACT Test
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- IB Exam Registration

### Here's the Scoop!

**Scoop Newsletter** - The PTSA creates two important tools to help keep our members and community informed. In September we published our Spartan Scoop Quarterly that is a full newsletter of information about PTSA, a wide variety of school-related information for each class level, and more. That issue covers topics relevant to the first quarter of the school year. Our second issue will come out by the end of November full of second quarter news. The second tool is this e-newsletter, our mini-Spartan Scoop, which is sent twice a month. We try to keep these articles timely and short. Any of our back issue newsletters can be found at our website [www.skylineptsa.org](http://www.skylineptsa.org).

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**General Membership Meeting** - Our next General Membership meeting will be on Monday, **October 17**, from 7-9:00pm. The program will be “Navigating the Social Media and Internet” with Stefanie Thomas of the Seattle Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

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**Your PTSA dollars at work** – The PTSA Spartan Grants Committee has approved the following grants, totaling \$5000, to Skyline staff:

- Environmental Sciences/Barrett - 18 plant identification field guides.
- Humanities/Boas - Seattle Shakespeare Company language/theater workshop.
- Science/Fowler - whiteboards with erasers and markers.
- Visual Arts/Madsen - clay slab roller.
- Spanish/Miranda, Robinson and Robon - set of novels by Kristiy Placido.
- PE/Schelberg - timing chips for measuring run times.

- Biology and IB Bio/Wieland - protein synthesis manipulative kits.
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**2011-12 Reflections Program—This year’s theme is “Diversity Means...”** Students are invited to participate in this PTSA-sponsored annual program which celebrates the arts. Categories to compete in are: Visual Arts, Literature, Photography, Music Composition, Film/Video and Choreography/Dance. All submissions must be the student’s own art or composition. Information packets are available in the Skyline office. The deadline for submission is on or before November 1. If you have any questions, please contact program co-chairs, Melanie Vargas at [melanie@vargas.com](mailto:melanie@vargas.com) or Tami Armstrong at [tamijarmstrong@gmail.com](mailto:tamijarmstrong@gmail.com).

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**Mock ACT Test** - Skyline PTSA is offering a Mock ACT test on Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:00am- 12:00pm at Skyline. The registration deadline is Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. Go to the PTSA website under “FORMS” for the registration form. The next SAT Prep course being held at Skyline begins on November 28<sup>th</sup> with a registration deadline of November 23<sup>rd</sup>. The next Mock SAT will be March 3 with a registration deadline of February 29<sup>th</sup>. You can register for the course or test at [www.SATPrep.org](http://www.SATPrep.org) or phone them at 425-823- 1370. Any further questions, please contact Jeanni Kenison. [Jeannik@comcast.net](mailto:Jeannik@comcast.net) 206.915.4918. Here are some helpful websites on the topic: [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com), [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org), [www.wiselikeus.com](http://www.wiselikeus.com), and [www.ctcl.org](http://www.ctcl.org)

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**SAT vs. ACT?** – Trying to figure out which college entrance tests your student should take? Click on this link <http://www.skylineptsa.org/forms/2011-2012/SATorACT.pdf> for a description of the strengths of each and differences between the two.

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**International Baccalaureate Exam Registration Oct. 17-Nov. 4** - Next week, juniors and seniors will receive IB Examination Registration forms in their English classes. Registration forms and payment will be due November 4<sup>th</sup>. Did you know that the PTSA offers some fee assistance for students needing help covering the exam fees? Contact Mrs. Lund, IB Coordinator, at [lunde@issaquah.wednet.edu](mailto:lunde@issaquah.wednet.edu) or at 425-837-7710 for details. Click on <https://sites.google.com/site/skylinehighschoolib/> for more information regarding Skyline’s IB Program.

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