



# Viewlands Elementary Parent Teacher Student Association Orca Digest

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**Welcome to the Orca Digest...**the newsletter from Viewlands Elementary Parent Teacher Student Association (VEPTSA), striving to keep our families in the know. For real time updates, please visit our school [website](#).

## Upcoming Events

**Spring Auction and Promo Raffle Tickets Now Available!**

See Aloha Viewlands Spring 2019 Auction Guide articles below for complete details!



**New family open house Thurs, Jan 17 @ 6 p.m.**

If you have a friend or neighbor whose child will be joining us next year, please let them know about this event! They can meet the Principals, some of our wonderful staff, tour the school, and learn about Viewlands.

**Dining for 5th Grade Camp @Barbecue Smith -Weds, Jan 23**  
Eat at Barbecue Smith on Wednesday, January 23 and support Viewlands 5th grade camp! Barbecue Smith will donate 20% of your bill to Viewlands 5th Grade Camp fund when you dine in or take out on January 23 **and** mention the Viewlands fundraiser. A donation jar will also be available and Barbecue Smith will match the dollar amount in the jar, up to \$200! Flyers will also be going home in kid mail over the next few days.

- **Barbecue Smith address:** 7919 Roosevelt Way NE, Seattle, WA 98115



**Viewlands Night at the Tritons Game - Sat, Jan 26 @ 4 p.m.**

Every year, the Tritons invite the entire Viewlands community to attend a game free of charge. This year's Viewlands Night is Saturday, January 26 at 4 p.m. when the Tritons take on the Skagit

Valley Cardinals in Seaview Gymnasium at Edmonds Community College! When entering, let the ticket taker know you're with Viewlands, try to wear your blue and green, and cheer on the Tritons!

- **Address:** Edmonds Community College Seaview Gymnasium 2000 68<sup>th</sup> Ave West, Lynnwood, WA 98036

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## Calendar at a Glance

**Thurs, Jan 17**

- Spring auction and promo raffle tickets now available!

**Thurs, Jan 17**

- Viewlands open house

**Mon, Jan 21**

- No school - MLK day

**Weds, Jan 23**

- Dining for 5th Grade Camp at Barbecue Smith

**Sat, Jan 26**

- Viewlands night at Tritons game @4 p.m.

**Tues, Jan 29**

- VEPTSA general meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

**Weds, Jan 30**

- No school - day between semesters

**Fri, Feb 8**

- Family Dance Party in gym @ 6 p.m.

**Sat, March 30**

- Aloha Viewlands Spring Auction @ 6 p.m

## Jan Lunch Menu

Tuesday, January 29 from 6:30 - 8 p.m. in the gym.

- 6:30 - 7 p.m. - PTSA updates
- 7 - 8 p.m. - Parent educator and special ed teacher Andrea Baumgarten will speak to our group about healthy screen time habits, how to talk to kids about relational issues, and cyber bullying prevention.
- Complimentary child care is available via Creative Kids by RSVPing via [email](#).

### **Viewlands Family Dance Party - Fri, Feb 8 @ 6 p.m.**

Save the date for the Viewlands Family Dance Party on Friday, February 8 from 6 - 8 p.m. There will be a DJ, dancing, games, crafts, photo booth, raffle, pizza by the slice, and a bake sale!



- Admission is \$5 per child.
- All children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Volunteers will be needed to make baked items and to help with and at event, stay tuned for a Sign Up Genius!

### **5th grade Islandwood camp fundraising begins**

Every spring, our 5th grade students get the opportunity to attend an overnight camp at Islandwood on Bainbridge Island. The camp experience provides 4 days and 3 nights of small group, hands on learning, critical thinking and exploration. [Click here](#) to learn more about Islandwood.

In an effort to raise funds for the camp, Viewlands is partnering with Papa Murphy's pizza to sell coupon cards for \$5. The coupon card is good for up to \$30 in discounts! Get an amazing deal at Papa Murphy's AND support Viewlands 5th graders!

- Order forms will be sent home in kid mail the week soon and are also available in the office.

### **Contact Us**

- With any questions or topics you would like to see included in future newsletters.



## **Aloha Viewlands Spring 2019 Auction Guide:**

\* Auction overview

\* Free tickets & sitter Promo!

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\* How to procure auction items

### **\* How you can help**

### **Auction Overview**

**Sat, Mar 30 @ 6 - 9:30 p.m.**

Save the date (and find your lei!) for the Aloha Viewlands Spring Auction on Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 6 - 9:30 p.m. at the Phinney Neighborhood Association!

The auction will have a myriad of events including a silent auction, raffles, dessert dash, and more! Heavy apps, 2 drink tickets, and lots of fun will be included with the cost of admission.

Tickets are now on sale and are priced as

### **Promo! Win 2 Tickets and a Babysitter for Auction Night!**

- Sponsored by College Nannies + Sitters + Tutors!

Feeling lucky?! VEPTSA is raffling off 4 opportunities to win 2 auction tickets and free babysitting from College Nannies + Sitters + Tutors to use on the night of the auction (up to 4 hours!)

Here's how it works:

follows:

- Purchase on or before 1/23/19 - \$35 / ticket
- Purchase between 1/24/19 - 3/29/19 - \$40 / ticket
- Purchase at door - \$45 / ticket

Tickets can be purchased in following ways:

- Drop off a check in the VEPTSA lock box and include "auction tickets" in memo
- Online via [PT Avenue](#). Enter '**Viewlands Orcas**' in the Organization Code field then click '**Online Store**' > **auction ticket**.
- Viewlands night at Barbecue Smith night
- Viewlands Family Dance Party

Auction proceeds will benefit programs like Music with Mary K, additional recess supervision, classroom and technology grants, Scholarships for after-school enrichment, contributions towards 5th grade camp and so much more!

## How to Procure Auction Items

The desirability and quantity of the items available for purchase at the auction are critical to our success in achieving our goal of raising \$20,500 to go towards critical Viewlands programs. Here's how you can help us obtain items for the auction and also ensure we aren't doubling up on our requests to neighboring businesses:

- Email the auction inbox @ [auction@viewlands.org](mailto:auction@viewlands.org) indicating which business you would like to ask to donate an item.
- An auction team member will respond back and let you know whether that business has been approached for a donation yet.
- If the business has not been approached yet, the auction team member will provide you with a donation request form that you will provide to each business who commits to a donation.
- If a business commits to donating an item, email the [auction team](#) and indicate the business name, the estimated value, and the date of desired item pick up.

## How You Can Help

There are so many ways you can help make the auction a success! A few examples of areas the auction team needs help with are:

- Procure an auction item
- Donate an auction item or service such as a dessert a month for 4 people, babysitting for 4 kids on Saturday night, Dinner party and cocktails for 4 etc!
- Help organize a gift basket, art project, etc for your child's class

There are multiple ways to enter the promotion, and multiple entries will be accepted per person:

- Buy a raffle ticket for \$10 (Available for purchase online at [PT Avenue](#) (see log in directions in Overview article), via check with memo in VEPTSA lockbox, Viewlands night at Barbecue Smith and the Family Dance Party.
- Become a VEPTSA member if you're not already between now and February 7.
- Procure an auction item over \$30 in value by February 7. See How to Procure Auction Items article for guidelines.
- Assist the auction team by helping with an auction related task. There are so many ways you can contribute! See How You Can Help article for details on areas that we need help with!
- Write a paragraph about why you are thankful for Viewlands and ideas on what you'd like to see a portion of the auction proceeds used for to help benefit Viewlands and submit to [Communications email](#) box for publishing in a future newsletter, FaceBook page, and/or on the Viewlands.org website.

The winner will be drawn at the Family Dance Party on Friday, Feb 8! To redeem up to 4 hours of free babysitting, winners will be directed to sign up on College Nannies + Sitters + Tutors website: <https://www.collegenanniesandtutors.com/bellevuewa> and the enrollment fee will be waived. To learn more about College Nannies + Sitters + Tutors, please see the below article.

## More About College Nannies + Sitters + Tutors

College Nannies and Tutors has been Building Stronger Families™ in the Seattle and the Eastside since 2009. Locally operated, we are part of your community, here to support your family from our neighborhood offices. Perhaps your family needs the quality childcare that comes from one of our reference checked and background screened nannies and babysitters. Maybe homework help with one-on-one attention from our Homework Help (Middle and High School: Math, Science, Social Studies, Languages, General Homework Help, Study + Organizational Skills) or Test Prep tutors. Please call or stop in or call today to schedule a personal family consultation. Our staff welcomes the opportunity to work with your family.

**Address:**

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- Mercer Island, WA 98040

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that can be auctioned off during the silent auction.

- Volunteer as a helper at a neighboring elementary school's auction as a part of our auction worker exchange program. This provides us with more outside helpers on auction night to reduce work load.
- Serve drinks at the auction
- Set up before the event
- Clean up after the event
- Run one of the games / raffles at the event
- Assign bid numbers to guests as they arrive
- Secure a corporate sponsor for our auction
- And more!

Email the [auction team](#) to sign up to help!

web:<https://www.collegenanniesandtutors.com/bellevuewa>

Questions? Email, the auction team or communications team for answers.

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