Principal Meeting & PTA Board Meeting TODAY

- Principal meeting with Ms. Henn is TODAY, at 9:15am [LINK to join]
- Please also join us for our PTA Board Meeting TONIGHT from 7:00-8:30pm. All are welcome! [LINK to join]

Interviewing for Focus Teacher

If you are interested in being on the interview committee for the new Focus Teacher (grades 3-5), please let us know at president@viewridgeschool.org. If you have not already completed the required training, you will need to do so before being included. See the Interview Training article for more details.

PTA Fundraising and Membership Chairs

Interested in getting more involved? We are in need of a fundraiser chair and a membership chair. Fundraising is one of the services our PTA provides to help fund our librarian, nurse, counselor, reading specialist, and many activities during (a normal) year. We would like a volunteer to organize and market our fundraiser for this spring.

Membership is integral to our PTA. We would like a volunteer to increase community outreach and focus on the membership platform we share with all the PTAs in Washington state.

If you would like more information on either position, please reach out to our volunteer chair, Sunshine Feldman, or the co-presidents.

Middle School Open Houses
The dates are in for virtual open houses at our middle schools. Jane Adams Middle School will be on 1/27 6:30-9:00 pm and Nathan Eckstein Middle School will be on 1/26 6:00-7:30 pm.

If you are considering another middle school, please visit the SPS middle school webpage for more information on their open houses.

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day Volunteer Activities**

Join us for some community-building and a day of service in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday, January 18th at 1:30 pm. Meet at the primary playground to collect materials for a schoolyard clean-up. We will also honor Dr. King's Legacy with an opportunity for community reflections and art on-site at the outdoor playcourt. All are welcome.

**Community Art Project**

We will reflect on the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, "Life's Most Persistent and Urgent Question is, "What are you doing for others?" Children will write or draw on paper and hang it on the play court fencing. The children can respond in art or words. Materials will be provided.

For other ways to celebrate, Dr. King while we are socially distanced, please check out the following:

**VIRTUAL EVENTS**

- **MLK Jr. Day of Service** - Points of Light
- **9th Annual Schomburg Center Black Comic Book Festival** January 13-16, 2021
- **King County Annual MLK Celebration** 1/14 at 12:00pm
- **Local MLK Virtual Youth Event** 1/17 2-4pm
- **Northwest African American Museum King Day Celebration** 1/18 (Time TBD)
- **National Museum of African American History and Culture - The People’s Holiday celebration** 1/18 1-2:30pm

**LOCAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**United Way Volunteer Options**

**IN-PERSON EVENTS**

**Local MLK March on Monday**: 11am Rally at Garfield High School; 12pm March

**Schoolwide Food Drive!**

The View Ridge Elementary Student Council is holding a schoolwide food and items drive to benefit the University Food Bank. Your donations can be dropped off in a marked bin at library checkout now through the end of the school year.

For information on which items are needed, check out this [link](#)

**Tech Supply Drive**

We know that there are supplies that families need, but we want to make sure that we're collecting the specifics for our community. In an effort to do that, we've created this survey to help guide our wish list of items. Please check any and all items that you have.
While we've tried to cover any and all possible needs, if there are things missing please let us know at the end of the survey. Thank you for your help.

This information will be shared with volunteers to help create our wish lists for our supply drives. If you would like to receive supplies, please contact our school's counselor, Joyce Cho, or nurse, Pamela Altman.

Click HERE to complete the survey. The survey will be active until 1/15/2021.