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Gearing Up for Next Year

It's been a whole month since our last newsletter bulletin from Palomar Council PTA. We've done a lot of work, both at the unit and the council level, and a well-earned Spring Break is coming up.

Elections are in the air—not just in the popular media but also for PTA!

Be sure that you are electing your new board this month, and then send in your rosters for the board-elect as soon as you can. There's a new form on the www.ninthdistrictpta.org website which will also be featured on the Palomar Council PTA website for you to download and use when turning those rosters in! We need them in the coming weeks, so fill them out as quickly as you can.

The Our Children, Our Future joint campaign by beneficiary Molly Munger and grassroots advocates in CAPTA continue to need your signature efforts. Please observe the CAPTA “Do's & Don't's” in your pursuit of this effort, but also do your best to get friends and family involved in the signature gathering process. The week of Spring Break is perfect for grabbing a signature or two as you visit loved ones and share with them the initiative and all it promises for education funding if it passes.

Our Palomar Council PTA Annual Awards and Breakfast Meeting is on Thursday, April 12th at the Bernardo Heights Country Club. Please be sure you have RSVP'd for you and your principal, as well as any president-elect that is coming up at your unit for next year. It's a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the year behind us as we look ahead to the work that will be done next school term.

Lastly, our own Palomar Council PTA election takes place Tuesday, April 10th at our monthly meeting, so please remember to send an alternate if you must be excused. Make sure they have their PTA membership cards when they show up to vote in your stead.

Have a wonderful Spring Break—see you when we all return!

~Jennifer Zaheer, Palomar Council PTA President

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***Congratulations to
Palomar Council PTA Middle
School College Readiness
Fairs Chairs!***

Many congratulations are in order for MS College Readiness Fairs chairs Lorna Reese and Laura Kishaba on the fine work done to create two very successful events on behalf of middle school parents all over PUSD. We hope those interested all had a chance to visit our fairs and take part in this very informative and useful experience.

***Come to the Annual
Palomar Council PTA
Breakfast Meeting!***



Please invite your president-elect and your principal to join you and all of Palomar Council PTA as we celebrate another year in PTA! We will be meeting at the **Bernardo Heights Country Club on Thursday, April 12th**. The cost is \$30 per person and RSVPs are due to Evi Haux, Council Hospitality chair, by March 29th. Please send checks made out to Palomar Council PTA to Pilar Gross, Council Treasurer.

We hope to see you there!

SAVE THE DATE!
Palomar Council PTA
Spring In-Services
Set for April 26th

Please invite your board-elect to attend the Palomar Council Spring in-services set for Thursday, April 26th at Del Norte High School. We will be offering two 1-hour sessions—one at 6:30 pm and one at 7:30 pm. Officers giving presentations include:

- President
- Treasurer
- Auditor
- Membership
- Parliamentarian
- Historian
- Volunteers
- Ways & Means
- Legislation
- Reflections

A flier with exact times for each workshop and its presenter will be distributed through email closer to the date and posted to the council website.



Reflections Gala for Palomar Council PTA Coming in May

Alert your boards and your membership as we alert the local media—the Reflections gala for Palomar Council PTA is set for Friday, May 4th at the Poway Performing Arts Center.

There will be a lot planned for that day, so please save the date and let your schools know so they can come and celebrate our wonderful accomplishments in arts education!



113th Annual CAPTA Convention 2012 in Anaheim, CA—

WOW! PTA!

**May 9-12, 2012
Anaheim Convention Center and
Anaheim Hilton**

Last Day to Register Online: April 30th.
Go to www.capta.org for details, and download your copy of the registration booklet if you didn't receive one in the mail:
<http://www.capta.org/assets/downloads/ConventionRegistrationBook2012.pdf>



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Our Children, Our Future is sponsored by Molly Munger and the Advancement Project, and is supported by the California State PTA.

We are joining together to qualify and pass Our Children, Our Future because California has been shortchanging our children for too long, and its time to act.

California ranks 47th out of 50 states in per-pupil education spending, and dead last - 50th out of 50 states - with the largest class sizes in the nation. Over the last

three years we have cut public school budgets by more than \$20 billion and laid off over 40,000 educators, and more budget cuts are on the way.

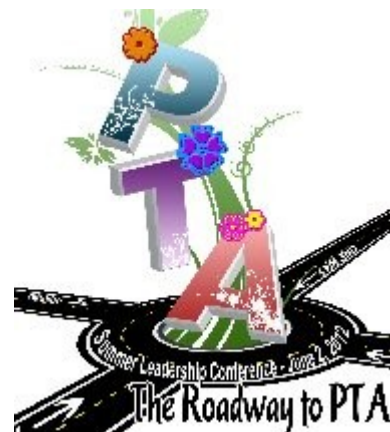
We believe our children deserve better. Every child should have an opportunity to learn to the best of their ability.

Our Children, Our Future 2012 asks Californians to join together to invest in our children and our schools because we will all share in the benefits that better schools and a better-educated workforce will bring.

Click <http://ourchildrenourfuture2012.com> to learn more about how Our Children, Our Future works and to find out how much money Black Mountain Middle School will receive.

We invite Californians from all parts of the state, of all backgrounds and political affiliations, to join this campaign to finally make a real, transformative investment in the education of our children.

~Kimberly Beatty, Palomar Council PTA Chair of Legislation



The Roadway to PTA: Summer Leadership Conference with Ninth District PTA on June 2, 2012 University of San Diego

Ninth District PTA's annual Summer Leadership Conference will be held all day on June 2, 2012 at the University of San Diego.

Details are soon to follow, please keep close watch on the website at Ninth District (www.ninthdistrictpta.org) as well as our own website (www.palomarcouncil.com) to get details. This is a great way to start your new board off in the right direction with training straight from May's CAPTA annual convention and Ninth District's expertise! You don't want to miss it!



A List of Important Dates for You to Note and Share

April 2 -6—PUSD Spring Break, NO SCHOOL

April 10—PALOMAR COUNCIL PTA GENERAL MEETING & ELECTIONS

April 12—Palomar Council PTA Annual Breakfast meeting at Bernardo Heights Country Club

April 26—Palomar Council PTA Spring in-services at Del Norte High School 630-830 pm

April 30—Last day to register ONLINE for CAPTA conference in Anaheim.

May 4—Palomar Council PTA Reflections Gala at the Poway Performing Arts Center

Calendar info at a glance:

April 2012						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 PUSD Spring Break Begins	2	3	4	5	6	7 PUSD Spring Break Ends
8	9	10 Palomar Council General Meeting & Election	11	12 Annual Breakfast Meeting	13	14
15	16	17 Ninth District Board Mtg	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 PC PTA Spring In-services at DNHS	27	28
29	30 Last Day to Reg online for CAPTA convention	1	2	3	4 PC PTA Reflections Gala	5

Have you...?

- Registered for the Anaheim CAPTA convention online?
- RSVP'd for the Annual Breakfast?
- **Joined the Our Children, Our Future Initiative?**
- Invited your new board-elect to the Palomar Council PTA Spring in-services on April 26th?

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