

Dear Lake Braddock Community,

On behalf of the Lake Braddock Parent-Teacher-Student-Association, I welcome you to a new school year. This year I serve with a dynamic PTSA Board of over sixty parents, teachers, and students all who love and support young people. **The National, State PTA and Lake Braddock PTSA mission is:**

1. To support and speak on behalf of children and youth in schools, in the community, and before the governmental bodies and other organizations that make decisions affecting children.
2. To assist parents in developing the skills they need to raise and protect their children.
3. To encourage parent and public involvement in the public schools of this Nation.

As President of the Lake Braddock PTSA, I encourage you to become part of this organization that works for students, supports teachers and school staff, and uplifts parents. Please join us this year at our Back To School Night membership table or download a form on our informative website www.lbspspta.org. You can volunteer simply by filling out a volunteer form online this year! Be part of the community—volunteer and join PTSA. We need *your* support! You will receive a **Spirit Button** and **Staff Directory** on Back to School Night!

PTSA joins the faculty and staff in the community building theme again this year of “*Bruins Under Construction*” and looks forward to the **opening of many new classrooms and our library in September.**

PTSA is committed to contributing:

- Volunteer POWER Hours: 17,500 PTSA hours/150,000 total LB hours last year
- Teacher/Staff Mini Grants: \$10,000 committed this year
- Celebrating the National School of Excellence Award 2005-2008
- Scholarship Sponsorship for deserving seniors- new total of 8 to LBSS students
- All Night Graduation Party & Baccalaureate Sponsorship
- Diversity Awareness, Cultural Programs, and Special Education support
- Reflections Program: District, State and National Arts Awards
- MentorWorks & Middle School After School Activities Support
- *Bruin Voices* Newsletter, Website Communications and Weekly Email
- Beautification Efforts: supporting and enhancing renovation
- Parental Education Programs, Face to Face program, Mental Health Issues
- Teacher of the Year Award and Legislation Awareness
- Arts and Craft Fair Community Fundraiser
- Support to the Lake Braddock Coalition and Health and Safety Initiatives
- Staff and Teacher Appreciation Events
- Promotion Programs and Business Partnerships
- And much more.... please join us... only \$12 membership for dedicated PTSA support!

PTSA –an organization that makes a difference -- an organization for everyone.

Together we can make a difference at Lake Braddock.

I look forward to meeting you on Tuesday, October 18th at our first General Membership Meeting at 7:30 pm. Our guest speaker will be Principal Linda Burke sharing “*Navigating the Journey- grades 7-12.*” Join us!

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