

## Why Join the Garfield Elementary PTA?

This is a question we get asked from time to time. It may even be a question that you've asked yourself.

The PTA works quietly behind the scenes to support the Garfield Community. You wouldn't be the first if you thought that the many events we pay for, organize, and run were actually school-sponsored events. In the past we've helped make major equipment purchases for the school like the climbing wall in the gym and the bounce house that you see at many of the PTA events. We also help the school pay for the performing art assemblies they have throughout the year. And last year we spent over \$2000 to bring the Pacific Science Center to Garfield for a day of fun and interesting science. Another thing the PTA does is to provide teachers with funds at the beginning of the year for supplies. Just like you, the PTA knows how important a vibrant and engaging classroom is for student learning.

As a member you can also take advantage of a host of benefits from PTA membership including discounts and offers from member benefits providers and sponsors (such as discounts for Wild Waves, Silverwood, Great Wolf Lodge, and FedEx Office). Your membership dues go directly to the WSPTA, which also allows us to purchase low cost Board and liability insurance, discounted movie licenses, as well as access high quality training and advisors.

We invite you to become a member (or renew your membership) in the PTA for the 2016-17 school year. Memberships are \$9 for an individual and \$18 per family (which includes two adults per household). Your membership will help us continue to have access to all the WSPTA has to offer. You can fill out and return the form below with your dues to your student's teacher (please make checks payable to Garfield PTA). Thank you in advance.

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**First Member Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Second Member Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
*(If purchasing a family membership)*

**Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_