

# Level Creek PTA General Meeting August 15, 2025 23 in attendance

### <u>Welcome</u>

Welcome – President Sun Park

## **Introduction of the 2025-26 Vice Presidents**

Jaime Jacobs, Kayla Chesser, Fritzi Gandhi, and Damaris Santamaria

### Approval of the Minutes from May 2, 2025

Motion to approve by Jaime Jacobs and second by Shaheda Zaman.

## **Future PTA General Meeting Dates**

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## Remarks and Q&A with Mr. Skelton

Parent involvement at Level Creek sets our community apart. We are so thankful for everyone who gives their time to help our school and students.

#### LCE received the **Double Platinum Award**.

Our projected student count is 1,015 for the school year which we are already approaching and prepared to surpass.

Our kindergarten numbers are low with 13-15 per homeroom and our second grade numbers are higher with around 27 per homeroom. We are looking to move a kindergarten teacher to second grade and adjust the class sizes with the change. We won't be losing any teachers.

Level Creek is known as a high achieving academic school. One great thing about our cluster is our high school is also seeing great achievements within the arts and sports.

## Vice President Updates

#### Vice President Fritzi Gandhi

• Science Fair: Undecided at this time if it will happen this year.

- **Kindness:** We have a new chair this year. There will be one week this year we will focus on students sending notes to someone they want to show appreciation for (teacher, parent, friend) and we will also have students leave notes for our custodial staff that do so much for us. They are the first to arrive and the last to leave.
- **Membership:** We have 249 members so far. There is a raffle going on for the Diamond Tier members and another for staff members ending on August 31st.
- **Spelling Bee:** Scheduled for November 13, 2025. This is for 4th and 5th grade students. The students will first compete in the classroom and then winners from each class will face off in the school competition. Details will be sent closer to the date.
- **Yearbook:** Yearbook orders have started! The committee will start marketing in September. They have created folders for many of the year's events already and are asking for photos from the first day of school. Photos can be uploaded to TreeRing. We are always in need of photos for the yearbook.
- All Pro Dad: The first event is September 26th. We are trying to find ways to offset some of the cost for running each event. Some ideas include: \$5 fee per family per event, school cafeteria breakfast could open early for purchase (need to speak with Mr. Skelton before moving forward), or have pre-orders for Chick-fil-A biscuits. Most of the other schools around us charge an entrance fee or charge for breakfast. Another idea is to sell All Pro Dad merchandise geared towards the Level Creek Chapter. We are hoping to have a plan next week and will send out more information.

#### **Vice President Jaime Jacobs**

- Faculty & Staff: Kicked off the year with a welcome back breakfast and hydration station. They plan lunches throughout the school year, as well as, teacher appreciation week and bus driver treats.
- Arts in Education: Plan two in school field trips per grade level each school year. These
  are approved by the teachers ahead of time. Need volunteers to help with being present
  at the events.
- Carnival: Takes place in February. We need volunteers to help plan and execute the event.
- **Spirit Wear:** Orders are live online now. The deadline for ordering is September 5th. Orders should be in no later than early October and will be delivered to student homerooms. Paper order forms go home next Friday in student Friday Folders.
- **Environmental:** Cleared and updated the gardens over the summer. Recently sprayed vinegar as a weed killer so the edible items are safe for students to enjoy. Looking into easy maintenance solutions for the gardens.

#### **Vice President Damaris Santamaria**

• **5th Grade Committee:** Activity Fee is live and we currently have 45 out of 215 families paid. These fees help pay for the 5th grade student breakfast and carnival, promotional ceremony decorations and programs, and graduation yard signs. Flyers are going home next Friday to all 5th grade families. 5th grade will be selling drinks at the Party on the Playground as a fundraiser as well.

- **Special Events:** Our first event is next Friday, August 22nd with a Party on the Playground. There will be a food truck and popsicle truck. 5th grade will have a stand selling refreshments. This event has been extended to 9pm to accommodate students who have afterschool practice and activities.
- **Media Center:** The Fall Book Fair starts October 20th. We need volunteers to help plan and decorate the Media Center. Theme: Wild Wild West.
- **Heritage Night:** Date: March 22nd. Planning will start soon. This is one of the largest school events and we celebrate all cultures during this event.

## **Vice President Kayla Chesser**

- Classroom Coordinator: Meeting is next Friday, August 22nd. All information will be sent to classroom coordinators if they are unable to attend.
- **Newsletter:** Planning to start the monthly newsletter back up to help spread the word about PTA events and things we have done.
- **Square 1 Art:** This is a fundraiser to help pay for the 5th grade tile wall for students to leave their mark when they leave Level Creek Elementary School.
- **Talent Show:** This event takes place in the Spring. We need volunteers.
- **Fall Fundraiser:** Theme: Circus. There will be a Sign Up Genius available for volunteers to help during the week long event. Dates: September 8-12th. Funds will be used towards the purchase of a new marquee sign at the front of the school.

## **Treasurer's Report**

All Vice Presidents and Committees have been sent their individual budget for the school year. If the Science Fair does not happen, we will reallocate those funds. We don't have any additional large projects this year. Last year, we had the 20th anniversary tile wall.

Vote to approve the 2025-26 school year budget.

Motion to approve by Shaheda Zaman and second by Jaime Jacobs. The budget has been approved for the 2025-26 school year.

#### **Save the Dates**

August 18: Parent lunch begins

August 22: Classroom Coordinator Meeting and Party on the Playground

September 1: School Holiday

September 19: Digital Learning Day

September 26: All Pro Dad first meeting

October 3: PTA Meeting

## Know what is going on!

Questions: Contact Sun: president@levelcreekpta.org

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# **Meeting Adjourned**