

Bus Information

You will receive a call and/or postcard in late August from the transportation department with your child's route and stop (closest to your home school). Additional bus information can be found at the [transportation department website](#).

Let Us Answer Your Questions

CPA is here to support our community no matter what! The 2022-2023 Board members are available to you as a resource as you make this transition to a new program and school. Please reach out to us with any questions you have. We look forward to meeting you!

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Additionally, you can contact the 2022-2023 PTA for general questions about the school.

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CPA News and Events

> Visit the [CPA website](#) for resources and event information:

www.challengeparents.org

Follow the CPA on Facebook:

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Go to the CPA website, www.challengeparents.org, click subscribe now, enter your email address, and click SIGN UP.

Contact the CPA Board:

challengeparents@gmail.com

March 5 MOD Pizza Fundraiser

Join us at MOD Pizza March 5, 11:45am. Order pizza and mention the Challenge Parents Association and 20% of your purchase will be donated to CPA. Get to know other families over lunch and bring your questions to ask families in the program. If you can't join us, you can still order anytime throughout the day to support the CPA on the fund raiser.



Welcome from the Challenge Parents Association

The Challenge Parents Association (CPA) is the parent group for the district's highly capable programs.

The district's programs include the Challenge Program at Terrace Park Elementary School and the Highly Capable (Hi-Cap) Program at Brier Terrace Middle School (BTMS).

We have a great community of parents, students, and staff within these two programs, and every year we are excited to welcome new families from across the district.

Sign up today for the CPA monthly newsletter and be entered into a Raffle for 2 tickets to Edmonds Comedy Night March 10 or March 11, 7:30pm Edmonds Center for the Arts.

Terrace Park School

At Terrace Park, there is both the neighborhood general education program and the Challenge Program. We operate as one student body. As a parent of a Challenge student, you are invited to be part of both the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and Challenge Parents Association (CPA).

School start times, lunch, recess, and assemblies are combined with all students. Our PTA-sponsored events are for the entire school. The CPA also plans additional events for Challenge and Hi-Cap Program students and/or parents.

About the PTA

The PTA serves 100% of the student population at Terrace Park. It has a Board, meetings, and provides funds to teachers, services for the whole school, social events, library funds, and much more.

Activities planned by the PTA may include: scholastic book fair, book swap, read-a-thon, sock hop, talent show, science night, math night, toy drive, art walk, reflections, pool party, skate night, after school clubs (chess, FIRST Lego League), before school programs (Move 60) back-to-school night, Watch D.O.G.S., and staff appreciation.

About the CPA

The CPA specifically serves the Challenge and Hi-Cap Program students, teachers, and parents. The CPA is separate from the PTA and has its own funding, Board members, and sponsored programs. It provides additional materials and professional development as needed to teachers in the Highly Capable Programs.

As a parent of a Challenge or Hi-Cap student, you are automatically a member of the CPA. There is no extra membership fee, but we need and appreciate your support during our fundraisers.

The bulk of the CPA budget is directed towards classrooms and continuing (gifted-specific) education for our program teachers.

Playdates and School Year Events

Each summer, the CPA organizes meet-ups for new and existing families. These are informal events where kids can play and parents can socialize. There are current CPA parents at each event to help answer any questions you might have about the transition, the program, or the CPA. At the end of the summer, the CPA hosts a picnic to reconnect after the summer break and to meet new families. Save the dates:

July 9, 2-4pm at Edmonds City Park Spray Park

July 26, 4-6pm at Hickman Park Playground

August 8, 10-12pm at Evergreen Playfield Playground

August 27, 11am-1pm. Lynndale Park Upper Playground

Events are updated on our [website](#) as soon as they are scheduled and sent out through our newsletter. Once the school year gets underway, the CPA also typically plans grade-specific social events.

Parent Education Nights

The CPA holds three general meetings per year which provide an overview of what's happening with the CPA.

The general meetings are typically followed by a speaker, movie, or workshop, providing information on topics useful to Challenge and Hi-Cap Program parents.

March 29, 6:30pm at Terrace Park Elementary School Commons. Please join us for our upcoming meeting with guest speaker Austina de Bonte, past President of the Northwest Gifted Child Association, who will speak on her topic of "Smart is not easy".

The CPA gathers and shares parenting and educational resources on topics specific to gifted education. We send out a monthly [e-newsletter](#) and have active [website](#) and [Facebook](#) pages.

Gifted Education Day in Olympia

Each year, the Washington Coalition of Gifted Education organizes an advocacy day in Olympia. The CPA participates and invites parents and students to join—it's a great learning experience for everyone and is important to let our state representatives know that continued resources and funding are important.