



# Fowler PSO News

August 2016

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The Fowler Parent Support Organization (PSO)'s mission is to enhance the learning of our kids by purchasing equipment, curriculum aids and other supplies, making field trips and assemblies available, and providing volunteer assistance to the teachers and staff.

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Welcome Back to our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade families, and Welcome to Fowler to our 6<sup>th</sup> grade families! The PSO Board is excited for another year of volunteering and fundraising and is counting on your help to make the year a success.

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## **Parent Nights**

We are planning a series of parent events this year starting with a showing of the movie *Screenagers: Growing Up in the Digital Age*. You can view the trailer at [www.screenagersmovie.com](http://www.screenagersmovie.com), and we hope you will plan on attending this movie with your middle school student.

## **New Fundraising Efforts**

We are not continuing with Magazine Sales this year and will be replacing this annual fundraising event with an **Online Auction**. Please start thinking about something that you could donate, and get ready to Bid!



We are also bringing back **Scrip** sales to Fowler. You purchase gift cards at face value and the Fowler PSO receives funds from the stores – win-win for everyone!

## **Meetings**

We hold monthly meetings where we discuss our events and fundraising efforts, and both Principal Dan Busch and Vice-Principal Marni Watts share their plans for the school as well as reports about school activities. Our first meeting will be **September 13 at 9:30 am** and they will continue on the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am.

## **Fundraisers**

Our two main fundraisers are the Online Auction and the Falcon Dash. We also collect Box Tops, sell Scrip gift cards, host restaurant nights at local establishments, sell Fowler Spirit Wear, and collect funds from [Smile.Amazon.com](http://Smile.Amazon.com). There are many ways to support the PSO!

## **Volunteering**

There are several ways to volunteer at Fowler!  
Our Board needs a Vice President (who is not necessarily the President-Elect) as well as a Secretary. Consider joining President Karen Emerson and Treasurer Cathy Gadbery as we make important decisions impacting the PSO. Other openings include:

Online Auction committee members

Caring Closet Liaison

Library opportunities:

Textbook checkout and check-in

Weekly/periodic shifts of shelving books

Cashiering at the Book Fairs

Year-end inventory

Staff Appreciation event coordinator(s)

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration Scheduling Squad

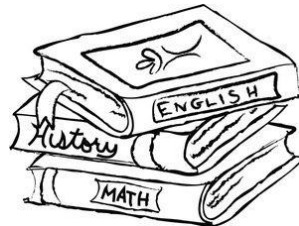
Falcon Dash Planning Team

New! Student Binder Support Crew

Please make sure you are in our volunteer database so that you receive emails about our volunteer opportunities.

## **Back-to-School Night**

We will have lots of PSO information at Fowler's Back-to-School Ice Cream Social on August 30!



## **Exciting Signage Plans**

In addition to making sure the Fowler faculty have all the tools they need to provide an excellent education for our kids, we want to replace the reader board on Tiedeman with a **digital sign**. Making this upgrade would ensure that the messages are current and more information could be shared. Fowler also has the desire to add a **lit Flying F** on the side of the gym over the track. Tigard High as its Power T, and this would be an excellent way to show our Fowler pride. One last goal is to add our logo and name on the walls of the main gym. Many sports groups use that space and we want to remind everyone of where they are! We hope you will support us as we raise funds for these great projects.

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