

Cedar Park High School PTSA

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Want to know what is going on at your child's school? Want to make a difference at CPHS but haven't found out how? Want to meet Mr. Sloan in a relaxed setting with just a few people? Come join the CPHS PTSA board!

From the moment the PTSA was chartered in December 2015, it was intended to be different from elementary and middle school parent-teacher organizations. You see, the "S" in PTSA stands for "students." Students have a say in CPHS PTSA decisions; they even hold seats on the board. Many parents share positions with their CPHS children. And as far as those CPHS children are concerned, being involved looks great on those college applications they'll be filling out before you know it. In short, PTSA is a great way to be involved with both your child and the school!

There are a variety of positions available on the board...you can choose the commitment level you would prefer. There are positions ranging from serving on the executive board to acting as a committee chair or co-chair. Here are a few positions we are actively recruiting:

- President
- Vice President--Fundraising
- Treasurer
- Booster Coordinator
- Communications
- Hospitality
- Scholarships

If you have a question about CPHS PTSA, visit our website [here](#). Or, contact the nominating committee and volunteer coordinator, Jennifer Gaus, at jgaus@brandgaus.com.

SLOAN TO OFFER BELLY-DANCE CLASSES IN COURTYARD DURING DEN

JK!!! But now that we've got your attention, here's what two of our student PTSA members had to say about the Timberwolf Adventure Race happening on Saturday, April 1, behind the school.



JP: Remind me again what this thing is all about.

Alex: Well, it's a fun-for-all-ages timed race.

Participants navigate to and complete obstacles.

JP: OK, but what's the point?

Alex: The point is to bring the community together to get outdoors and have fun with friends! This is the second race of this kind being put on by the PTSA's healthy lifestyles committee. Also the point is to compete to win some fabulous prizes...

JP: Hmmm. Who can participate?

Alex: Anyone of any age can play! Groups of two to three people are recommended and can consist of families or friends or clubs or frenemies or colleagues or arch-nemeses.

JP: Are you SURE Mr. Sloan will not be teaching belly-dance classes in the courtyard during Den?

Alex: I'm not sure about that. It might have been fake news. Everyone will have to come out to the event on April 1 to find out!

JP: Right! We'll be sending out updates on our twitter (@ptsacp) and the link to sign up is [here](#).

Member Spotlight

Each month in the Member Spotlight we introduce three current CPHS PTSA members: a teacher, a parent, and a student. This month we are featuring for a second time a parent/student Spotlight duo in order to highlight how fun it is to make PTSA membership a family affair! We'd love to feature you as a Spotlight Star; join PTSA if you haven't already!



Name: Debby Barnes
Your role at CPHS: Librarian, TimberTech, and DEN
Your favorite thing to do when not at CPHS: I like to hang out with my friends on the lake.
If you could take ALL of CPHS on a spring break trip, where would you take everyone?
Why? I would rent one of those private islands in the Caribbean because who doesn't love being on a warm beach during spring break?? I'd bring in music artists from a variety of genres so there'd always be a concert going on and everyone could find something they enjoy. Of course there'd also be jet skis, boats, snorkeling, diving, etc., so no one would ever be bored.



Parent name: Suzette Baldazo
Name of your student: Sara
Your hobbies: I practice and teach yoga, love to travel, spend lots of time volunteering, and read everything I can get my hands on.
Your best memory from when you were a high school student: I had a phenomenal calculus teacher who inspired me to choose math for my major at university.
Similarities you see between you and your high school student: We both enjoy math, dance, and travel, and like to be involved in extra-curricular clubs and activities, sometimes with too many irons in the fire.
Something about you that people would be surprised to know: I turned down a job with the CIA.
Favorite book or movie: "Gone with the Wind" (for both)

Student name: Sara Baldazo
Age: 18
Grade: 12
Your favorite thing about CPHS: I love our school's varsity dance team, the Celebrities.
Your favorite thing to do when not at CPHS: I like to explore the city and go on drives with my friends; we try out touristy places and get to know Texas.
Your spring break plans: I'm traveling to Florida with my friend.
Something about you that people would be surprised to know: I used to be a hardcore One Direction fan!
What are your plans after graduation? I plan on majoring in biology, but I'm still deciding which university I want to attend.