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 Newsletter  
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# Largo High PTSA®

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## President's Letter



*Welcome back Packers!*

*I first want to take a minute to introduce myself. My name is Lisa Hoyland and I have the honor of serving this year as your PTSA President. I have been around PTA for over 20 years at the elementary, middle and high school and I am looking forward to joining the Packers LHS Family as your PTSA President. Your LHS PTSA is excited to begin this school year! Thanks to your support, we had much success with our programs and projects last school year. We are pleased to announce that your PTSA received recognition at both the county and state level for our work on behalf of our children and youth.*

*Over the summer, your 2018-2019 board members attended trainings, passed a resolution on "Educational Implications for Dyslexia and other Specific Learning Disabilities" at Florida PTA Leadership Convention, held several planning meetings, and coordinated with the LHS Administration Team to continue to provide informational, educational, and empowering programs. Our PTSA theme this year is " Bridging Together for OUR Scholars success!" Our goal is to continue to help our scholars reach their potential by advocating for the health, safety, and well-being of all children!*

*Our overall success as a local PTA/PTSA unit depends on you, our members! Membership Matters and this year we are asking you "Don't Be the Missing Piece to Our Puzzle". It takes all of us to have a voice and support our scholars. PTA is open to anyone who is interested in the welfare of children and youth. Please join us again this year! Membership does not obligate you to any meetings or volunteer time, although we welcome any time or talent you may like to share. Simply put, by becoming a member you help us accomplish our mission. PTA's mission is to make every child's potential a reality by*

*engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.*

*Thank you to those that joined us on the first day of school in the cafeteria from 7:00a.m. to 7:30a.m. for coffee and refreshments. This gathering allowed us time to make brief introductions and meet new friends, as our kids (and us) begin a new school year. We hope more of you will join us for the next one!*

*On behalf of your PTSA board, we wish all our Largo High Packers a great school year!*

*Sincerely,*

*Lisa Hoyland  
 President Largo High School  
 PTA/PTSA 2018-2019*



# Important Dates

August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•13th - First Day of the 2018 - 2019 School Year</li> <li>•21st - Family Spirit Night, Panda Express</li> <li>•22nd - Underclass Picture Day</li> <li>•29th - Senior Picture Day</li> <li>•29th - Back to School Night 6:30-8:00 p.m.</li> </ul>
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3rd - Labor Day, No School</li> <li>• 29th - Homecoming Dance</li> </ul>
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•11th - Financial Aid Night, LHS 6:30 p.m.</li> <li>•15th - No School for Students</li> </ul>

## FAMILY SPIRIT NIGHT

Come join us at  
**Panda Express on East Bay Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>**  
 Please show them a copy of the flyer below, paper, picture on your phone, or event posted on Facebook and a percentage of the total sales from 2 p.m. – 10 p.m. will be donated to the Largo High School PTSA. Be sure to invite family, friends, and share our Facebook post. Valid for dine-in, carry-out, and drive-thru.



# FUNDRAISER EVENT

Raise Money for: Largo High PTSA



When	Where	How
Tuesday, August 21, 2018 2:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Panda Express at Bay & Hwy 1 2200 East Bay Drive Largo, FL 33771	<b>In-store:</b> Show paper or digital version of this flyer <b>Online:</b> Enter 251015 in the promo code box during online checkout.

20% of event sales will be donated to: Largo High PTSA

Participating fundraiser guests are required to present a valid fundraiser flyer (hard copy or smart phone) with each order to receive credit for the fundraiser. Flyers may not be distributed inside or within vicinity of restaurant including, without limitation, to the restaurant parking lot before or during your fundraiser. Panda Restaurant Group reserves the right to cancel any and all fundraiser events for any reason and/or withhold payment of associated donation funds if the Panda Restaurant Group Fundraiser Guidelines are not followed.

## Florida PTA Convention



In July, members of your LHS PTSA Board attended the annual Florida PTA Convention. Largo High was highly recognized for outstanding efforts during the 2017-2018 school year. The 5 awards Largo High School received were:

- Advocacy Award
- All Children Are Our Children
- Diversity Award
- Program Award
- Student Involvement



## Pull for Ronald McDonald House



We can all do a little to make a big difference in our community!

Pop tabs are the little aluminum tabs from all kinds of cans: soda, some pet food, canned fruits, vegetables and more.

Once the pop tabs are collected, they are taken to be recycled in exchange for dollars, which support the children and families we serve at our Houses. Since 2002, the Pop Tab Program has raised more than \$263,000 for Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Florida.

Your LHS PTSA is partnering with the American Legion to benefit the Ronald McDonald House in these efforts. Please save your Pop Tabs for collection at events throughout the school year.



# Show Your Packer Pride

School Spirit Items are available NOW! See the order form below or visit us at the PTSA table during the Back to School night event.

These items will also be available at Packer Varsity Home football games (visit the LHS PTSA table).

## Show Your Packer Pride with these School Spirit Items!

To place your order, include this form and your payment in an envelope and turn it in to the front office or mail it to: Largo High School, 410 Missouri Avenue, Largo, FL 33770, Attn: Largo High PTSA.

Make checks payable to: Largo High PTSA.

Questions? E-mail: [PTSA\\_Largo\\_High@gmail.com](mailto:PTSA_Largo_High@gmail.com)

Purchaser's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

		Size	Price	Quantity	Total Cost
LHS Hoodies – Adult S to 4XL			\$30		
<b>Baseball Shirts – Adult S to 4XL</b>					
Gold Sleeves			\$20		
Blue Sleeves			\$20		
<b>T-Shirts – Adults S to 4XL</b>					
Blue #OTP			\$15		
Blue Tie Dye			\$15		
Gold Tie Dye			\$15		
<b>LHS Hats – one size fits all</b>					
Baseball		N/A	\$15		
Visor		N/A	\$15		
Magnet		N/A	\$5		
<b>TOTAL:</b>					

## AMAZON DONATES TO LHS PTSA

When you place your orders with Amazon and Amazon, be sure to FIRST type in AmazonSmile and select Largo High PTSA for your donation request. This must be done each time you place an order and takes less than 3 seconds to connect. Amazon will take a portion of your approval total sales and donate to your LHS PTSA.



## Join the 2018-2019 Largo High School PTSA



Please join your Largo High PTA/PTSA. We need your voice! Becoming a PTA member is a great way for you to help make a difference in the lives of our children.

The PTA is the oldest and largest child advocacy association in America. Today's PTA is comprised of more than 4 million parents, teachers, grandparents, caregivers, foster parents and other caring adults who share a commitment to improving the education, health, and safety of all children.

Today, the issues that affect our children extend beyond their individual schools. The PTA's nationwide network provides parents with the forum and tools to collectively influence the decisions that affect children, not only at their schools, but also throughout their districts, within their states, and across the nation. This mission is unique to the PTA. PTA's mission is to help every child reach their potential by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for ALL children.

Many of the benefits our children receive today, such as universal kindergarten, the National School Lunch Program, and a juvenile justice system, were accomplished as a result of the PTA mission.



## Join Largo High School PTSA! 2018-2019 Membership Form

**PTA**<sup>®</sup>  
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As the largest volunteer child advocacy association in the nation, PTA/PTSA (Parent, Teacher, Student Association) reminds our country of its obligations to children. PTA provides families, students, educators, and community members with a powerful voice to speak on behalf of every child. When you join PTA, you join millions of others who care about issues that affect children. Membership in PTA is open to *anyone* who is concerned with the education, health, and welfare of children and youth. At the high school level, students are encouraged to get involved too! That's why Largo High is a PTSA!

Annual membership dues\* help support the various programs and events sponsored by Largo High's PTSA. Our PTA advocates on behalf of children and youth, hosts informative programs that are important to parents, public school teachers and administrators, participates in teacher appreciation activities, and makes connections to increase family and community involvement in education.

**Please support our effort and Don't Be the Missing Piece to our Puzzle as we Advocate for Our Scholars!**

\*\$3.75 of every membership goes to PTA State and National Dues, of which you also become a member  
The PTSA is organized under IRS code section 501c(3), and therefore, membership dues are tax deductible.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Member #1 Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One: Parent/Grandparent/Staff/Student/Community Check here if Past President of LHS PTSA \_\_\_\_

Member #2 Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One: Parent/Grandparent/Staff/Student/Community Check here if Past President of LHS PTSA \_\_\_\_

Member #3 Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One: Parent/Grandparent/Staff/Student/Community Check here if Past President of LHS PTSA \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$10 Individual Memberships

\_\_\_\_\_ \$5 Student Memberships

\_\_\_\_\_ \$35 Business Membership

*(for information on our Community/Business Patron program, email ptsalargohigh@gmail.com)*

\_\_\_\_\_ Additional Donation Amount (one time)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Total Enclosed (Cash or Checks made payable to LHS PTSA)**

After completing the form above, please return it to the school office, or mail to:

**LHS PTSA, 410 Missouri Ave N, Largo, FL 33770, Attention: Membership.**

OFFICE USE: AMT RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_ PAID BY: \_\_\_\_\_ CARD(S) ISSUED: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2017-2018 Largo High School PTSA Executive Board

### *Officers*

<b>President</b>	Lisa Hoyland
<b>Vice-President</b>	Melanie Litchy
<b>Secretary</b>	Keith Sargent
<b>Treasurer</b>	Jennifer Muller

### *Chairpersons:*

<b>Membership/ Social Media</b>	Debbie Stotts
<b>Advocacy</b>	Michelle Alfred
<b>Hospitality</b>	Lorie Rawe
<b>Newsletter</b>	Dawne DeRemer
<b>Student Rep</b>	Jacey Velazquez
<b>Ways &amp; Means</b>	<i>Open</i>
<b>Programs</b>	<i>Open</i>
<b>Community Sponsorship</b>	<i>Open</i>
<b>Principal</b>	Brad Finkbiner, Ed.D.

## 3 EASY STEPS TO PARENT ENGAGEMENT



Step 1 - Get Engaged...  
Follow us



Step 2 - Be Engaged...  
Like posts

**@PTSALARGOHIGH**



Step 3 - Stay Engaged...  
Share

You are a piece of the puzzle  
of someone else's life.  
You may never know  
where you fit, but others  
will fill the holes in their lives  
with pieces of you.

~ Bonnie Arbon

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