



Welcome to the New School Year!

We are very excited to see so many familiar and new faces at school this year and are looking forward to getting to know and re-connect with everyone.

**New Families: LPJUSD 101
(Returning Families Refresher)**

Overview: It must be overwhelming coming into a new school district (Loma Prieta Joint Union School District - LPJUSD)... So many different organizations, new people, places, events and opportunities to assimilate... which one to choose!? Get to know your community and connect, we welcome new blood!

This page is meant to give you the down and dirty at a high level. Go to their websites, ask your Home & School Club (HSC), aka PTAs Board members, Staff, Room Parent or any seasoned family for more details! SO MANY ACRONYMS you say?! Have no fear... HSC is Here!

Loma Prieta Home and School Club (*Loma Prieta HSC*); CTE Home and School Club (*CTE HSC*); Loma Prieta Education Fund (*LPEF*); Loma Prieta Community Foundation (*LPCF*); Loma Prieta Fire Dept (*LPFD*)

We are a basic aid district of two schools. Which means our funding from State and Federal resources are slim to none and mainly funded by parcel taxes and community fund raising. They all need volunteers to succeed; whether small or big jobs, remote or full-on-hands-on in person jobs... There is a job for you too. PLEASE connect with your group of interest and see how you can integrate and contribute to the magical Mountain and continue support your community... Always remember.... "It Takes a Mountain!"

FUNdraisers & Community Connections

LPEF (<https://www.lpef.org/>): Fundraising to support the school district programs that are otherwise unfunded. Events are held over the school year to raise money where State or Tax funds lack: Art, PE, Library, Music, CTE Electives (subject certified teachers to prepare for high school), student counseling services and other... Funds are raised for next school year. It's never too soon to start donating to your child/community's education! The main events are:

Gala (Oscars on the Mountain!), Sip for Schools (weekend wine taste and sales), Golf Tournament, Tree Farm Day (Christmas Tree hunting) & most importantly, **KEEP!**

KEEP! is 100% direct donation to the district and has the most impact. Suggested donation amounts are \$800/ 1 child or \$1,200 for families with multiple children. You can donate more or less to fit your budget. Monthly contributions can be set up to reduce financial burden. Without **KEEP!** most all the above school "extras" WILL go away. If everyone participates, we all win!

Loma/CTE HSCs (LomaPrietaHSC@Yahoo.com / CTEHSC@Gmail.com): These are separate PTAs for the elementary and middle schools and mostly student/staff focused and use funds for classrooms and kids. These funds pay for classroom supplies, low income students field trips sponsorship, class parties, events, and more! We fund raise via Jog-a-thon, Yearbook, Boo Bash, Goodwill Truck, Holiday Craft Fair, Food Trucks, online holiday purchases etc etc. They are not always fundraisers, some events like movie night, dance, or picnics are simply to gather and connect. HSCs also brought & manage the hot lunch program.

LPCF / LPFD (<http://www.lpcf.org/> & <http://www.lomaprietafire.org/>): LPCF is for community support, projects and connections. LPFD is a volunteer community and fire safety organization that trains and supports volunteer firefighters. Both do fundraising via pancake breakfasts, movie nights, annual BBQ, picnics etc. Not all are fundraising events, but ALL ARE FUN!



Loma HSC Volunteer Opportunities

Loma Prieta Home and School Club (HSC) is a non-profit organization run solely by volunteers to organize events and programs at Loma. The hardest part for HSC is obtaining volunteers. Unfortunately, our volunteer base tends to be the same 10% of the population and everyone is burning out. It's Fun, Join us!

Please remember that we at the HSC are parents just like you. We volunteer in our kid's classroom (s), we have children who participate in the play, we volunteer with LPEF, and some even work full time jobs. There is always something you can help do that would ease some of the load and get you involved. The first step is to just try. If we don't get help, events & services will have to be canceled.

Please email us at LomaPrietaHSC@Yahoo.com with your availability and area of interest for volunteering to learn more:

Boo Bash (October): We need a Chair or co-chairs! Each Halloween Loma throws a party with games and inflatables. This has been great fun and fundraiser in the past, but is in need of a re-fresh. Chair can form a committee or HSC board can help too!

Movie Night: We usually run two of these a year. This does not take a lot of time however someone would have to be present for the movie, and help get logistics sorted.

After School Programs Lead: We try to get a variety of after school classes for the kids.

Choice Lunch Helpers: After a successful pilot we are happy to say we have brought back and expanded our amazing hot lunch program. This will be available for Loma MWFs and CT all 5 days of the week. Unfortunately, days may be cut if we don't get helpers to set up. This is about a 1 hr commitment every week (or bi-weekly if you trade with a buddy).

Teacher lunch during Student Conferences: During teacher conference week classes take turns bringing a potluck lunch in for teachers. 2-3 volunteers make this incredibly easy. A lot of prep can be done via email and sign-up genius.

Family Dance: Need a Chair. In previous years Loma has held a family dance. It has been a couple of years due to lack of volunteers but is always a possibility with enough involvement. If you like throwing parties, contact us!

Jogathon: Loma's biggest event of the year. Money raised from the Jogathon goes to KEEP campaign. It's a fun day for all and takes a lot of people to make it a success. Volunteering for planning the event does not require you to be on campus and is a good opportunity for working parents to get involved.

Fundraising: We run one fundraiser over holidays currently and one in spring, plus other events and partnerships. If you have ideas or would like to help, let us know!

HSC Board members listed below, and we are ALWAYS looking for interested parties to help take over these seats. A few on the board are outgoing in 2020. Please see our website or talk/email to an HSC board member if you are interested in getting involved in any of the board seats noted below.

We really do need more hands as many of our services and events have gone away due to lack of volunteers to help. <https://www.lomaprietahsc.org/>

Co-Presidents: Lindsay Abeln & Azadeh Nolan (Outgoing)

Vice-President: Jamie Cassell

VP of Fund Raising: Velina Taneva

VP of Marketing and Merchandising: Julie Stanton

VP of Finance, Treasurer: Anne Market-Breesch

Co-Publicists: Stephanie Randazzo & Morgan Hall

VP of Events: OPEN POSITION

Secretary & Parliamentarian: OPEN POSITION