2016/17 Student Directory and PTSA Membership Sign-up Form

Step 1: Check all boxes that apply:

- □ Yes, I want my child's contact information in the Student Directory for the 2016/17 school year.
- □ Yes, I want to be a Stillwater PTSA member for the 2016/17 school year.

Reasons to Include Your Child's Contact Info in the Student Directory: The PTSA creates and distributes the Student Directory each year. It contains valuable contact information and is a great resource for: > Sending out children's birthday party invitations > Organizing classroom parties > Obtaining teacher information > Learning general school information	 <u>Reasons to Become a PTSA Member:</u> 1. Enables you to have more of a voice in your child's education. 2. Helps build partnerships between families and the school. 3. Entitles you to receive a Student Directory (\$10 value) for FREE. 4. Qualifies you for member-only discounts to PTSA-run events and to businesses such as Great Wolf Lodge, Wild Waves, Staples, Hertz and more. 5. Shows your support! 		
Become a PTSA member and receive your Student Directory	For more details on what the PTSA is and does, please see		
for FREE (\$10 value)!	the reverse side of this form.		

PTSA Membership does NOT mean you are signed up to be a PTSA Volunteer!see reverse side for details

Step 2: Please provide your contact information (please write clearly):

1.	Student #1 Name	Grade	_ Teacher
	Student #2 Name	Grade	Teacher
	Student #3 Name	Grade	_ Teacher
2.	Parent/Guardian #1 Name:		
	Email:	Primary Ph	one Number:
	Address:		(not published in Student Directory)
3.	Parent/Guardian #2 Name:		
	Email:	Primary Ph	one Number:

Step 3: For those wanting to be a PTSA member for the 2016/17 school year, please select a membership plan:

- □ \$12 individual adult membership. Name of adult (if more than 1 parent listed above):____
- □ \$20 household membership (two adults)
- □ \$10 Stillwater teacher/staff membership
- Donation to the Bob Scharer Scholarship Fund \$_____ (optional, donate any amount) Scholarship honoring retired teacher Bob Scharer is granted to a Cedarcrest High School graduating student each year

Step 4: Total Amount Enclosed: \$_

Please send this form, with payment, to the school office (checks made payable to Stillwater PTSA), or enroll online at <u>http://stillwaterptsa.org/membership/</u>. If you have questions, please contact <u>membership@stillwaterptsa.org</u>.

New to the School? Wondering what this "PTSA" thing is all about?

The PTA/PTSA (Parent Teacher Student Association) is dedicated to the education, health, welfare, and safety of all children. It has played a major role in U.S. history and was instrumental in: 1) Passing child labor laws, 2) Creating a juvenile justice system, 3) Adding kindergarten to the public school system, and 4) Establishing hot lunch programs in public schools, just to name a few.

Membership is the heart of PTSA and all members make a difference! When you become a member of the Stillwater PTSA, you become part of the WA state PTA association and the larger National PTA. Your voice joins millions across the United States as advocates for children.

Below are 2 questions we often receive about the PTSA as it relates to Stillwater Elementary:

Q: Does becoming a member of the PTSA mean I have to volunteer for hours on end at the school?

A: Becoming a PTSA member does not mean you have to volunteer for hours on end—in fact, volunteering is 100% optional ©. Volunteer as much as you like or not at all. Membership is not tied to volunteering. Becoming a member of the Stillwater PTSA simply says, "I support and see value in the teachers and parents communicating and working together to continue to make Stillwater a great school!"

Q: What are some examples of how the PTSA made a difference at Stillwater Elementary during the 2015/16 school year?

A: The 2015/16 school year was a great year for Stillwater Elementary as well as for the Stillwater PTSA. Below is just a sampling of the things the PTSA was able to accomplish:

- **Playground Equipment**: The PTSA purchased 3 new pieces of playground equipment for the school.
- Library, PE, Music and Art Enrichment: The PTSA gave Stillwater \$8,000 for library, PE, music and art enrichment.
- Field Trips: The PTSA gave Stillwater \$4,000 to help fund field trips for ALL grades.
- **Classroom Grants**: The PTSA gave Stillwater over \$3,000 in classroom grants to teachers.
- **Family Fun Events**: The PTSA hosted several fun social events, including a Back to School BBQ, Bingo Night, a School Dance, Dads and Donuts, and Mom and Me.
- **Staff Luncheon and Appreciation**: The PTSA provided lunch to the Stillwater staff at the beginning of the school year and coordinated a Staff Appreciation Week during May.
- **Talent Show**: The PTSA organized the talent show at Stillwater.
- Yearbook and Student Directory: The PTSA put together a Yearbook and Student Directory.
- *Kinder Playground Playdate*: The PTSA hosted a Kinder Playdate in the fall where all new kindergarteners were invited to the school to get to know their new classmates and teachers.

Interested in becoming a PTSA member? Please complete the reverse side of this form. Thank you!

