

# Get Involved In Advocacy!

Focus Week is coming up February 11-15 and we are gathering postcards to hand deliver to legislators in Olympia. This is a great opportunity to tell legislators what is most important to you and what you want them to be focusing on and why.

Detach the postcard below and fill out the backside. Once completed, return it to the school either via your kids Friday Folder or there is a drop box in the front office. Postcards must be dropped off by February 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Postcards aren't just for parents to fill out – students can fill them out too!**

More post cards can be printed at:

<https://www.wastatepta.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/2019-Focus-Day-Postcard.pdf>

**Interested in getting more involved in Focus Week?** You Can! Focus Day is on February 11<sup>th</sup> where PTA members from across the state will be headed to Olympia to make their voices heard. Northshore Council PTSA is even providing a FREE bus to attend. *See reverse for more information!*



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## ADVOCATING FOR ALL KIDS

*Making every child's potential a reality*

### 2019 WSPTA TOP 5 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

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| ✓ <b>Social Emotional Learning</b> | ✓ <b>Strategies to Address the</b>  |
| ✓ <b>School Construction and</b>   | <b>Teacher Shortage</b>             |
| <b>Simple Majority for Bonds</b>   | ✓ <b>Strategic K-12 Investments</b> |
| ✓ <b>Prevent Gun Violence</b>      | <b>to Close Gaps</b>                |

*Also Supported Issues (Listed Alphabetically)*

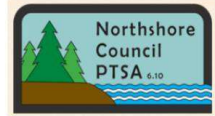
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| • <b>Best Practices for School Meals - Lunch</b> | • <b>Increase Access to High-Quality Preschool</b> |
| • <b>Best Practices for School Recess</b>        | • <b>Raise the Age of Tobacco and Electronic</b>   |
| • <b>Engaging Families in Student Success</b>    | <b>Nicotine Delivery Devices to 21</b>             |
| • <b>Fund Paraeducator Training</b>              | • <b>Safe School Plans and Emergency</b>           |

For more information, visit [wastatepta.org/focus-areas/advocacy/](https://www.wastatepta.org/focus-areas/advocacy/)

# Focus Day - Feb 11, 2019



PTA has a strong voice in Washington State. Come to Olympia to meet your legislators to demonstrate parents and students support of excellence in education.



**Where:** State Capital Building, 416 Sid Snyder Ave SW  
 PTA Hub @ United Church of Olympia: 110 Eleventh Ave SE  
**Time:** 9am to 2pm (Welcome Message at 9am)  
**Email:** [FocusDay@northshorecouncilptsa.org](mailto:FocusDay@northshorecouncilptsa.org)



## Bus with Us to Focus Day

Drive if you like, but why not take the Northshore Council PTSA bus:

**Meet:** Northshore Administration Building  
 3330 Monte Villa Parkway, Bothell 98021  
**Leaving: 7:30am**      **Arrive in Olympia: 9am**      **Cost: \$0**  
**Return: 2pm**      **Arrive in Bothell: 3:30pm**      **Email us to RSVP**

**Top 5 Platform:** 1. Social Emotional Learning 2. School Construction and Simple Majority for Bonds 3. Prevent Gun Violence 4. Strategies to Address the Teacher Shortages 5. Strategic K-12 Investments to Close Gaps

Dear Legislator,

February, 2019

Thank you for your service during this legislative session when you will be making critical decisions impacting children and families across Washington. Washington State PTA advocates for the health, safety, well-being and education of every child. Here is what is important to me: \_\_\_\_\_

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