

West TV PTC Monthly Newsletter

December 2017



Greetings

Warm holiday wishes from the West TV PTC! Thank you for your generous contributions of time and money in support of our students and programs. Enjoy a festive and restful winter break...

Getting on Track...

Chris Snelling, Paved Exercise Path Improvement Project Coordinator

A project has been brewing for some time now. Percolating up from the mud, compacted wood chips and ground squirrel mounds. Gathering momentum with each scraped knee and sludge covered mopet, tracking their adventures into class, car and kitchen, until conclusively a call for improvement has been made.

A partnership of the West TV PTC along with staff and community members has been formed to make an improvement on the current path which circumvents the field at our school.

- The current path requires wood chip replacement every 2 years, though the chips tend to only last for around 6 months with current, yet limited use.
- The proposed improvement would be to implement a paved path over the current mud/wood chip path.
- This project has full support of the West TV administration and teachers; and more precisely was requested by that body. Survey of the faculty revealed a consensus of support along with an enthusiastic vow of planned usage.
- 85% of the teachers estimate that they would use it at least 3 days a week, with 20% estimating use every day! That is compared with very limited and seasonal use now.

This would be a project in which the funding would fall outside of the school district's operating and capital budget and therefore cannot be implemented through district funding, making this project one that could only be put into place through outside funding.

Where we are at so far:

- Permission has been given to proceed with planning and the Beaverton School District has a Project Manager assigned to this project.
- Preliminary Engineering has been performed to lay the ground work for permits and to construct a working budget for the project.
- A Geo-Technical Survey has been performed to further aid in the final budget and to guide permitting and implementation.

What is the projected budget and what is the funding model:

- The overall proposed funding goal for this project is \$175,000; this is to be made up of Grants, Community and Corporate Partnerships, and Fundraising Activities with the remaining balance to be made up of individual donations.
- Currently, roughly \$5,000 has been spent to obtain engineering and geo-surveying. These funds were granted for these purposes from Nike, and other groups.

- Grant submissions are already in the works and the PTC and Community Partnership Team groups have commenced discussions with community and corporate leaders to form a broader coalition for both funding and use.
- Several groups and individuals have already donated funds ear-marked for this project as excitement is growing and inertia has formed.

So, at this point you are probably wondering, “where do I fit in, and what do you want from me?”

- Right now, we want to make sure that everyone knows that this project is underway and to have a better understanding of what the scope is and what it will entail.
- We would like to keep an open line of communication and get feedback from the West TV community. That said, something that you can do right now, is to let us know what you think by taking 5 minutes (or possibly less) to respond to this survey: <https://goo.gl/forms/53c0ZobFCP14TNAB2>
- In the coming months there will be informational meetings at the school to show more detail of the budget, current status and plans, that we encourage you to come be a part of. Dates and times will be announced in the Monday Minute.

If you have any other questions, you can email the PEPI (Paved Exercise Path Improvement) committee chair at: Chris@WTVTrack.Org

Thanks for reading and have a very Happy Holiday!!

FUNDRAISER ALERT – AUCTION TICKETS AND INFORMATION NOW ONLINE!

Tickets are on sale now for our annual auction on March 3, 2018!!!

Where: The World Forestry Center
 Time: 5:30 – 10:00 p.m.
 Tickets: \$80 per person through January 31; \$85 per person on and after February 1
 \$160 for couples
 By popular request, you can also purchase tables of 10!!

How to purchase: Through our auction website at the following link <http://tiny.cc/WTV2018>

Our goal this year is to sell 200 tickets! The cost of the tickets will cover the facility rental fee and food at the event.

Our Annual Auction is the largest fundraiser for our school to support the goal of the West TV PTC in enhancing the educational experience of West TV students. Volunteers are busy working on art projects and classroom baskets, while our auction committee has already procured many donations from local business and families. We look forward to an amazing event!!!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at westtvauction@gmail.com.

Keep in Touch

We want you to feel welcome and informed about all WTV activities, so please follow our news on our **website** www.wtvptc.org and on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/wtv.ptc/>, get a quick reminder of upcoming events every Monday in your email inbox from our **Monday Minute**, attend our monthly **PTC meeting** (every 3rd Wednesday evening,) and get to know our organization more in-depth in this monthly **newsletter** sent via email. Cheers!