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LAKE BRADDOCK SECONDARY SCHOOL  
2021-2022



## LBSS PTSA 2ND ANNUAL VIRTUAL AUCTION

**SUPPORT THE LAKE BRADDOCK SECONDARY SCHOOL  
COMMUNITY BY DONATING A TAX DEDUCTIBLE  
PRODUCT OR SERVICE.**

All proceeds from the auction will be used for student scholarships, educational grants, events, programs, teacher and student recognition, family engagement and general school support.

**MARCH 2022**

VISIT [HTTPS://LBSSPTSA.DIGITALPTO.COM/SUPPORT-LBSS/VIRTUAL-AUCTION/](https://lbssptsa.digitalptso.com/support-lbss/virtual-auction/)  
AND DONATE TODAY!



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Last year's virtual auction was such a fun event, we've decided to hold it again this year. The auction will take place in March, however we are currently collecting tax deductible donations for items or services to be auctioned. If you would like to contribute please [CLICK HERE](#).



The *Cup & Crown* Special-Tea Gift Box is back for the holidays & filled with more treats than ever!  
Each box set includes...

- Three (3) high-quality, loose-leaf festive teas to savor through the season:
  - Figgy Pudding - black tea with a blend of fig and cherry flavors
  - Snowflake - black tea with bits of coconut, almond, and cinnamon
  - Vanilla Cream - black tea with warm vanilla notes
- Stainless steel tea ball for steeping
- Festive holiday mug
- Holiday-themed demitasse spoon nestled in an elfin hat
- Scottish shortbread cookies
- British tea "cake" of chocolate and marshmallow



Cup & Crown is once again offering Holiday Special-Tea Gift Boxes this season! In partnership with LBSS, 10% of all purchases made by LBSS members will be donated to the PTSA. Items included in the box set are: delicious loose-leaf teas, steeping ball, demitasse spoon, mug, and 2 British treats, all with a festive holiday theme. Boxes are only \$40.00 and available **WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!** Visit the Cup & Crown website ([www.cupandcrown.com](http://www.cupandcrown.com)) for more details on boxes, delivery options, and **TO PLACE YOUR ORDER!**

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## LBSS Directory Access Instructions for Parents

### Attention Parents!

Our **NEW PTSA Directory** is up and running!

Visit [lakebraddocksspta.membershiptoolkit.com](https://lakebraddocksspta.membershiptoolkit.com) to register!

- Go to [lakebraddocksspta.membershiptoolkit.com](https://lakebraddocksspta.membershiptoolkit.com).
- Click on the **Log In** button or the Registration button.
- If you **already have an account** with another organization that uses Membership Toolkit you can use the **same email and password** to login. You can then proceed to the numbered steps below.
- Select "**Create Account**" and fill in the name, email, and password information.
- Click "**verify my email**" and then check your email for a link to complete the process. The link expires in 2 hours. If you do not receive the email, check your spam or junk folders.
- Once you have verified your email address, **log back in and finish the registration process.**

**Create account**  
 1 — Complete this form  
 2 — We will send you an email  
 3 — Click the link in the email message to verify your email address and complete the process  
 The link expires in 2 hours.  
 If you do not receive the email in the next few minutes, check the spam or junk folders in your email software.

First name

Last name

Email address

Your account will be your email address. You must have access to this account to complete this process.

Password

Retype password

[cancel](#) [verify my email](#)

Membership Toolkit

1. Complete the **Parent/Family and Student Information** forms.
2. Complete the **Directory/Publish Preferences**.

Once the Primary Account is set up, the **Primary User can "invite" other email addresses** to access his/her account. This allows the Secondary User to have their own login information, but still have access to the family account.

The first time you register, you must do so from a computer. After that, you can access from your phone and can use the Membership Toolkit app.

**Questions? - Please don't hesitate to contact Andrea Edelstein, Directory Chair, at [directory@lbspspta.org](mailto:directory@lbspspta.org).**

**Please note that the directory is only available to current LBSS PTSA members. To join, click on [lbspspta.org/join](https://lbspspta.org/join)!**

## LBSS Safe Routes to School Committee is Seeking Volunteers

The new LBSS Safe Routes to School Committee is seeking volunteers! Volunteers are needed to be committee members, and to participate in a Walking audit of our school during student arrival and dismissal. The committee is part of PTSA.

Safe Routes to School is a DOT and FCPS program that seeks to improve safety for students as they travel to school, and to increase the number of students who walk or bike to school. About 20 volunteers are needed for the walking audit before school on Tuesday November 30. Please send an email with contact information or any

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sale as they travel to and from our school.

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## Join the Welcoming Atmosphere Walk-Through at Lake Braddock

Our school will be conducting a Welcoming Atmosphere Walk-Through, a process that will help us learn how we are currently helping families and others in our school community to feel comfortable, appreciated, and valued. **The Walk-Through will take place on Friday, December 10th from 8:30am-9:45am.**

We are inviting you to join other parents, staff members, and community representatives to help us look at different aspects of our school and share their perspective on how welcoming our school is.

As a participant in the Walk-Through, you will be asked to offer your perspectives on three aspects of a welcoming atmosphere: School Culture and Physical Environment, Family Engagement Practices and Policies, and Communication. You will take part in a discussion facilitated by staff from FCPS Family and School Partnerships. All you need to do is come ready to share your observations and opinions with the other participants!

The Walk-Through will take approximately three hours total. If a hybrid model is used, part of the time will be spent touring the building in person (Friday, December 10th - 8:30-9:45) and the rest will be spent in a virtual focus group (Tuesday, December 14th – 6:30-8:30 pm).

**Please respond to Kristin Girardin at [kegirardin@fcps.edu](mailto:kegirardin@fcps.edu) by December 6th to let us know if you are interested and available or if you have any questions.**

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## LBSS Gift Card Drive for the Holidays

You can help give back to the Lake Braddock community this holiday season! You can support your Bruin community by donating gift cards to give to families in need. We are looking for gift cards to Walmart and Target ranging in \$25 to \$50 to help our families have a joyful season. Gift cards allow families to purchase their preferred holiday cuisine and gifts for their families. Thank you for your support!

Drop off Locations & Contact information:

[Nicole White](#) 703-426-1039 (Middle School Student Services)

[Anna Ghafoori](#) 703-426-1064 (High School Student Services)

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## Yearbooks on Sale!

High school and Middle school yearbooks are now on sale! You can order your book (including personalization) at [yearbookordercenter.com](http://yearbookordercenter.com). The Middle School code is 13596, High School code is 5061.



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