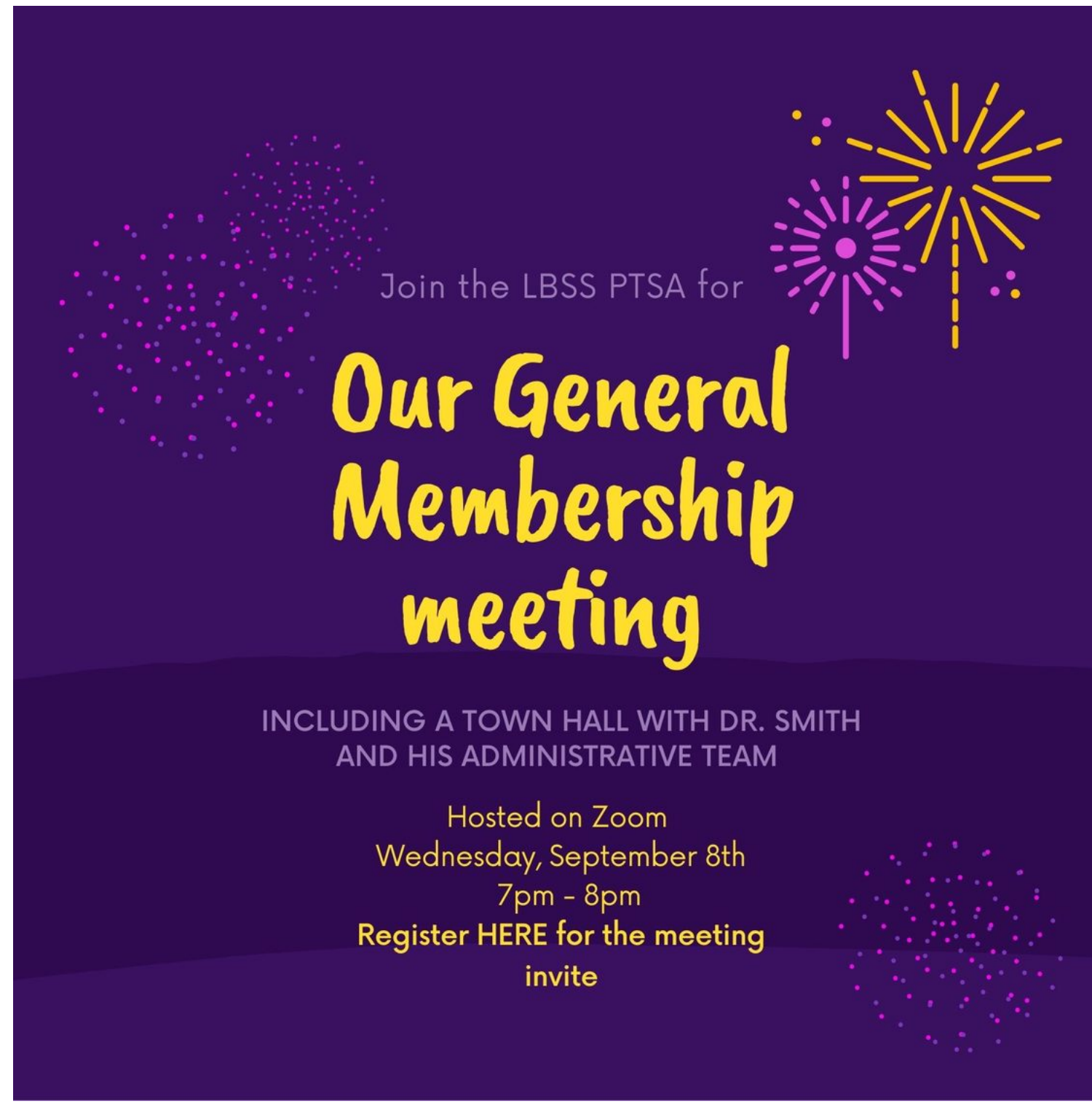
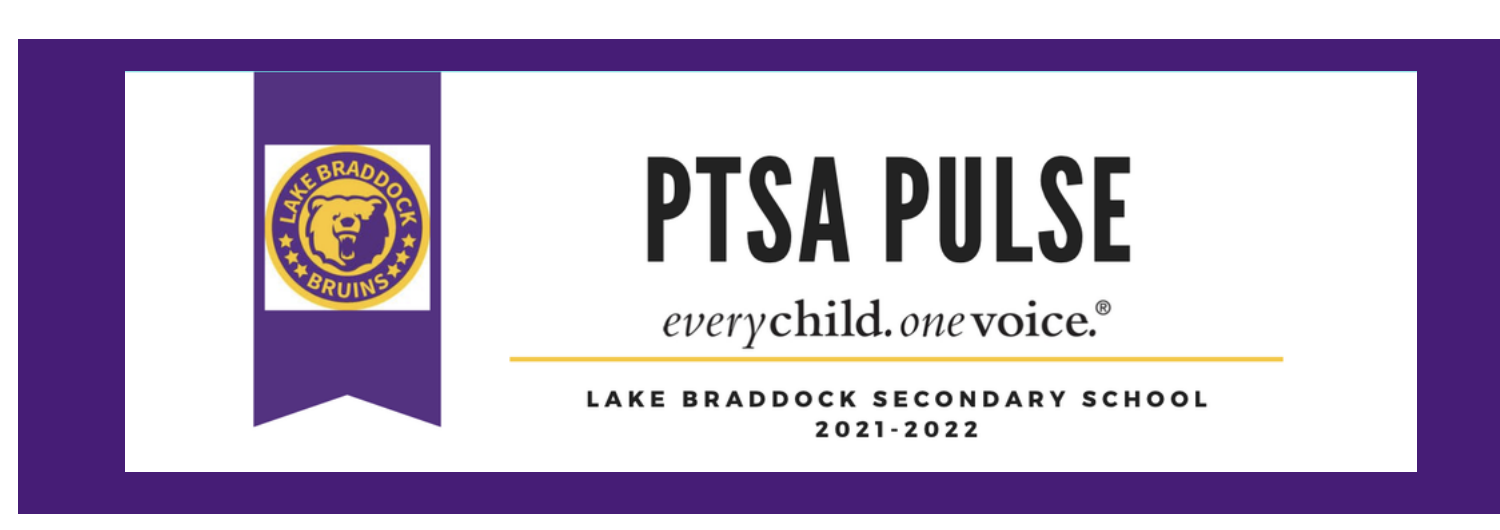


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### Join the LBSS PTSA today



Our first General Membership meeting will be on Wednesday, September 8th at 7 pm on Zoom. Register for the meeting by clicking on the graphic above.

Voting on the budget and other motions is limited to PTSA members, so join now to make sure you can vote at the meeting!

[Join Now](#)

### A message from the PTSA President

And so it begins!!

What a fun week last week watching all the activity in the school during Bruin Blast!! To see the halls swarming with excited students and anxious parents was heartwarming. Kids seeing friends they may not have seen in well over a year. Teachers and administrators warmly greeting students! Seventh and eighth graders new to the school looking around in wonder, while their parents look around in amazement wondering how in the world their child will ever navigate such a huge labyrinth!!

Relax! Those kids will have the building mastered in days!!

What hopes and dreams will accompany them to school this week? How will they handle the crowded halls and classrooms after being largely virtual for the last year and a half? How will they handle the different structure of classroom instruction and testing? Indeed, it may be a stressful time and behooves us all to be vigilant and watch for signs of stress or anxiety.

Our first PTSA General Membership meeting will be Wednesday, September 8th, from 7pm-8pm. After a short business meeting, Dr. Smith and his leadership team will hold a Back-to-School Town Hall question and answer meeting. After a little over two weeks in school, it's a great time to get your questions answered directly from leadership. Although voting rights are limited to members, we welcome all to the meeting.

Together, we can make a difference.

With appreciation, Bob

Upcoming Events		
Friday, Sept. 3 and Monday, Sept 6 (No School) Labor Day Holiday	Wednesday, Sept. 8 PTSA General Meeting 7-8 pm	Thursday, Sept. 9 and Friday Sept. 10 HS Picture Days
Friday, Sept. 10 Parent Academy Virtual Coffee 9:30- 10:30 am	Wednesday, Sept. 22 Middle School Back to School Night 6:30- 8:30 pm	Wednesday, Sept. 29 High School Back to School Night 6:30- 8:30 pm



### Reflections Contest: Explore the arts and express yourself!

This year's theme is, I Will Change The World By...

Students should submit their completed works of art digitally in one (or more) arts categories in response to the selected theme: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Visual Arts, Photography, Music Composition, and Literature. Students participate in the appropriate division: Middle School (grades 7-8), High School (grades 9-12), and Special Artist (students in any grade who identify as having a disability).

Deadline for entries is **October 18th, 2021** at 4:00 p.m. No entries will be accepted after the deadline. Please follow all instructions when submitting entries.

For specific category rules and requirements, please click on the graphic, then select "Reflections Arts Program Resources". If you have any questions, please contact Laura Key, Reflections@lbsptsas.org.

We are also looking for judges for the different categories. If you are interested or have suggestions, please contact Laura for additional information about becoming a judge.

[Submit Entries Here](#)

### FCCPTA Lunch safety protocol survey

The FCCPTA are hearing concerns from across the FCPS community in regards to safety protocols during lunch. Fairfax County Council PTA (FCCPTA) is gathering data and concerns so that we may engage in effective conversation and advocacy for all our students, staff, and volunteers across the school system.

[Survey](#)



### PSAT Practice Test

LBSS PTSA and Novastar Prep have partnered to offer a LIVE, online PSAT practice test. This full-length, official College Board practice test is proctored online in a simulated test environment. The practice test will be Sept. 11 from 9 am - 12:30 pm.

Register online here by Sept. 8th, \$5 for PTSA members, \$15 for non-members



### Practice Tests: PSAT, SAT, ACT

The LBSS PTSA is partnering with The Princeton Review to offer online, virtual practice exams for the PSAT, SAT and ACT. The exam will be proctored virtually via a weblink that The Princeton Review will provide. The various practice exams will take place on the following dates:

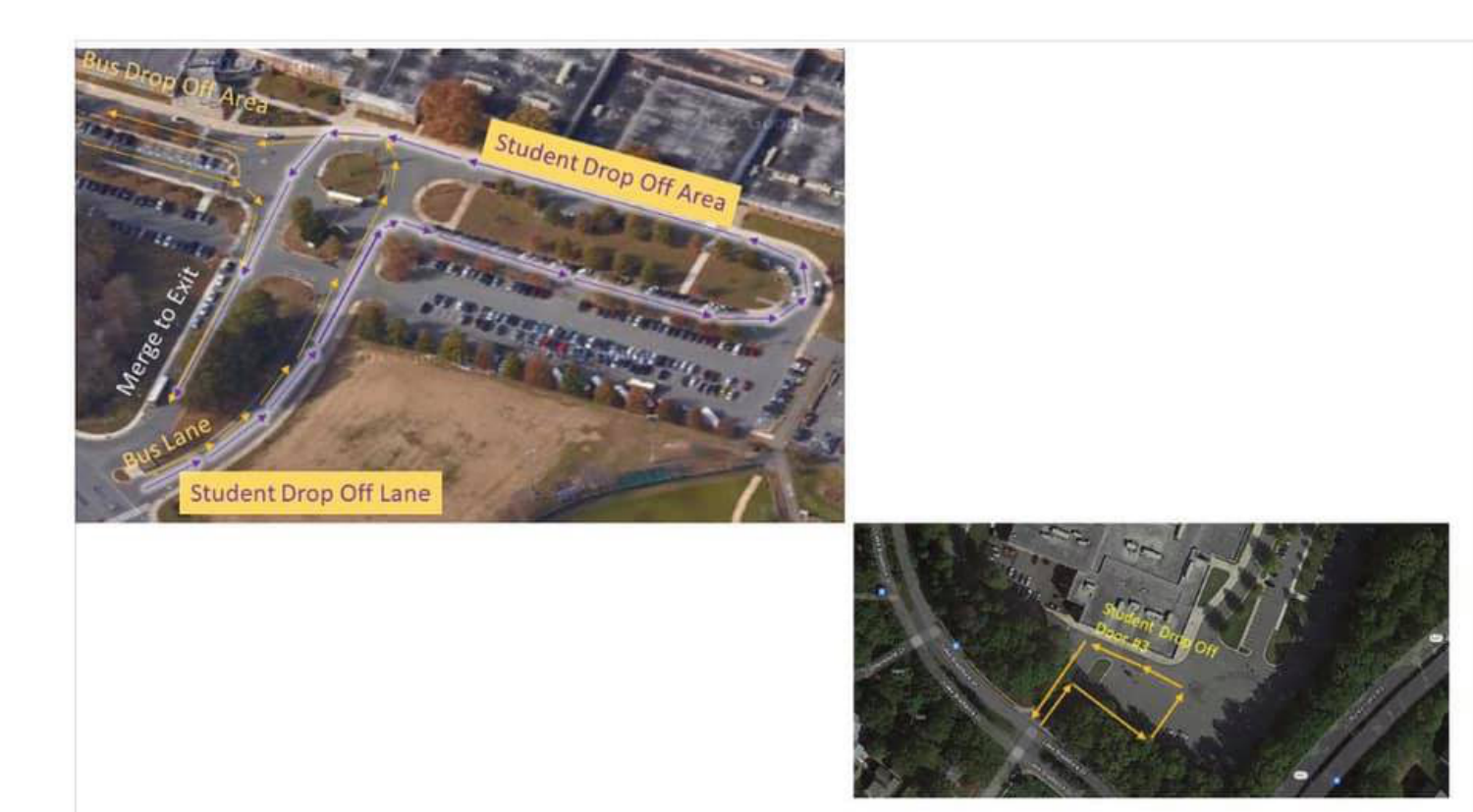
PSAT Saturday, September 25 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m

SAT/ACT Saturday, October 16 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. And/ Or Saturday, November 13 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Register online here at least 1 week prior to exam date, \$5 for PTSA members, \$15 for non-members

### New Kiss & Ride Traffic Pattern

Parents entering from Burke Lake Road will need to stay in the far right lane and follow the direction of security to drop off students at Doors 15 and 16. The secondary entrance is from Lake Braddock Drive and students may be dropped off at Door 3. Do not park or leave your car unattended in either of the two drop-off locations. Additional information can be found in the News You Choose.



### Athletic Boosters



Join the Lake Braddock Athletic Booster Club. Membership grants entry into all home contests of every sport during the 2021 - 2022 school year (except VHSL hosted playoffs).

Supporting the Boosters = Supporting Lake Braddock Athletics

[Learn More](#)

### LB Theatre Shows

On Friday the Lake Braddock Theatre Department announced their 2021 productions. Mark your calendars now for these great shows!

#### Middle School:

Dr. Dolittle, Jr. (musical) Nov. 18-20, 2021

Charlotte's Web (play) April 28-30, 2022

#### High School:

The Heidi Chronicles (play, Cappies show) Nov. 3-7, 2021

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe (play) Feb. 17-19, 2022

Anastasia (musical) May 5-7, 2022



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