



HOUGH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

January 2026

PTSA NEWSLETTER



Meet the PTSA

Hi! My name is Charisa Hendricks, our Co-Secretary and mom of Kindergartener Jack and 3rd grader Blake. I also have a 7th grader, Grayson, at iTech. This is my first year on the PTSA board and it has been eye opening to see just how amazing the Hough Community is! So many teachers, parents, families and community members put in so much hardwork! In my free time I love family game and movie nights and LOVE to read books! On the flip side I am also all about staying active, getting outside and going on adventures.



Next PTSA Meeting
Feb. 5th at 2:45pm
Hough Library

Membership not required
to attend.
Kids welcome.



Contact Us:
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  [@houghpts](https://www.houghpts.org)
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Interested in
volunteering?
We want your help!
Sign up at
[houghpts.org/volunteer](https://www.houghpts.org/volunteer)



5th Grade News

ATTENTION FIFTH GRADE PARENTS!

The last day to submit VSAA and iTech admission applications for the 2026-27 school year is [February 23, 2026](#).

Would your student benefit from an arts-focused education at Vancouver School of Arts & Academics (VSAA) or a STEM-focused education at Vancouver iTech Preparatory (iTech)? Do you have questions about these schools the application process?

Reach out to Annette in the FCRC. She is available to answer questions and help with completing the application process.

annette.mccabe@vansd.org or text (360) 901-8193



Fundraisers



SHORT & SWEET RESTAURANT NIGHT
THURS., JAN. 22ND 2:30-7PM
1901 MAIN STREET

DELICIOUS BUBBLE TEA AND BÁNH MÌ!

20% OF YOUR PURCHASE
BENEFITS HOUGH!

MENTION 'HOUGH' ~ OR ~
SHOW THE FLYER (SEE IT ON OUR FACEBOOK)



Book Study

TELL US IF YOU'RE INTERESTED!

We are exploring interest in a parent/guardian book study of *The Anxious Generation* by Jonathan Haidt, which examines how changes in childhood, technology, and independence are impacting young people's mental health.



TAKE OUR
INTEREST POLL!



JOIN US

The Hough PTSA is a 100% volunteer-run organization.
Without volunteers our programs and events would not be possible.
Join today! The more voices we have, the better we can serve our school community.





HOUGH NIGHT WITH THE BLAZERS



Blazers vs. Wizards March 29th

Join us for an exciting night of basketball in support of Hough Elementary School! A portion of the proceeds from every ticket sold using our link go directly to support Hough Elementary. Share with friends, family, neighbors, and the greater Hough community!



Plus, 20 lucky students will be selected to high five the team at halftime when they come out to warmup. To be eligible for this special fan experience tickets must be purchased through the link.



KIDS WELCOME

Hough PTSA Presents

PTSA Socials

WEAR HOUGH GEAR FOR HAPPY HOUR PRICES!

Trap Door Brewing
2315 MAIN STREET

5-7pm

MONDAY, MAR. 2
MONDAY, APR. 13
MONDAY, MAY 4
MONDAY, JUNE 8

FOOD CARTS

Friday, January 16th

6 - 8 pm Doors at 5:45pm
FREE!



MOVIE NIGHT

ONE FREE POPCORN TICKET PER PERSON!

Hot dogs, drinks, and other concessions for sale.

KIDS. bring your sleeping bags and pillows and get cozy!

ADULTS. bring your camp chairs and set up in the back rows!

Open to all Hough students, staff, and their families.

Students must be accompanied by an adult.
No drop offs.



FOUNDATION NEWS

Dry Food Pantry

A dry food pantry will soon be available to all of our Hough Families. It will be in front of the school. Please take what you need and if you are able, please put items into the pantry. Fresh vegetables will be available on 11/13 and dry goods on any day in the FCRC.

Hough Tee Shirts for Sale

We will be creating Hough t-shirts to sell in time for the holiday season. Proud residents of Hough will be able to share with people how to correctly pronounce 'Hough.' Keep an eye on houghfoundation.org for more information.



The Horticulture Program is Growing

Ten new horticulture garden beds have been built at Hough and are ready for plants. Planting will begin in February. If you would like help us realize our vision of a healing, hands-on garden space for Hough students and families please donate today. Any and all donations are appreciated.

Donate today and mention, "Horticulture Program" in your comment.
<https://houghfoundation.ddock.gives>

Hough Hoedown 2026

The Hough Hoedown will be happening February 7, 2026 at the Hilton Vancouver. This is our primary fundraiser that helps fund all of the great programs we are able to offer our families of Hough Elementary. If you would like to be a sponsor or purchase a ticket to attend, visit www.houghfoundation.org

