



Somerset Shines

2021-2022 school year

SOMERSET
Elementary School

Welcome back



Welcome letter from PTSA President

August 28, 2021

Dear Somerset Elementary Families,

On behalf of the Somerset Elementary PTSA Executive Committee and Board Members, I would like to welcome you to the 2021-2022 school year. This is a historic year for all of us, everything is different and uncertain during these Covid-19 times, but we at PTSA want to help build our community and come together as we would have normally done so on campus. We are looking forward to a great year filled with fantastic events, community building activities and, most importantly supporting our kids and teachers so they can continue to attain excellence in education!

We are fortunate to be a part of a community and a strong PTSA. Please know that we as the PTSA are always working with the school to help foster a safe and engaging year of learning and growing for our children. We are lucky to have some very talented and wonderful parents in our PTSA Executive board this year. Feel free to reach out to anyone on the board if you have questions or concerns and we would be happy to help you.

Some ways to best support our PTSA and contribute to our school community:

- **Join!** Become a PTSA member. You can join online at somersetptsa.org.
- **Give!** Participate in our annual fundraising drive.
- **Volunteer!** We need parents to get involved and volunteer for all the wonderful programs and events, some of which will be offered online this year.

For more information about the Somerset PTSA, our events or activities, please visit somersetptsa.org. We also have a Facebook page with grade level groups where you can make new friends or plan safe playdates. After-school activities will start closer to the end of September as many of our vendors are figuring out the details. We will have information coming up on the [PTSA website](https://somersetptsa.org), Facebook page as well as on [e-news](#). Parents can subscribe to e-news by [clicking here](#).

You can always reach us at somersetptsa@gmail.com with any questions or to get involved.

If you would like to share their children's pictures in the remote learning mode they can send pictures to communications.somersetptsa@gmail.com.

Wishing you all the best for this coming school year! Looking forward to getting to meet you soon!

Best Regards,

Yuki Yang

PTSA President 2021-2022



PTSA 2021-2022 Executive Committee

President: Yuki Yang

As the president, I work closely and meet regularly with the principal and school staff to provide a safe and fun learning experience for students. I also host the monthly PTSA meetings. During these meetings, the members discuss topics ranging from planning fun activities for students to raising funds to support enriching programs, etc. I am also responsible for applying for state and national awards for our PTSA.

Secretary: Yim Cheng

As the secretary, I schedule, collect agenda, and record the meeting minutes for the Executive Committee, Board of Directors and General Members meeting. I also maintain records of membership roster, program chair names, contract/licenses, etc. In addition, I am your first point of contact when sending emails to PTSA at somersetpts@gmail.com

Treasurer: Lily Zhu, Xiaohong Quan

As the treasurer, we oversee and present budgets, accounts and financial statements to the executive committee and board of directors. We receive and disburse all funds in accordance with the budget as approved by the committee and board members.

VP Communications: Peggy Wang, Demi Wang

As the VP of Communications, we compile articles for the weekly Somerset Superstar newsletter, and update the PTSA website and Facebook pages with news and announcements. We also collect and edit pictures and videos of school activities and share them on social media.

VP Means and Ways: Yan Zhou, Catherine Qu, Xiaojing Chen

As the VP of Means and Ways, our main responsibility is raising funds for the PTSA! Fundraising is vital to support all the programs and events provided to our children. We raise funds through our annual fall fundraising drive, biennial auctions, Goodwill donation drive, and so on.

VP Programs: Kelly Yan Mao, Beibei Yang

As the VP of Programs, our main responsibility is organizing a variety of afterschool programs and events. In collaboration, with a number of program chairs, we plan, organize and sometimes execute such events. We are also responsible for working with outside vendors to bring afterschool activities to the school.

Collectively, we as the PTSA work together to build the bridge between parents, teachers and students and create a fun, safe and nurturing learning environment for our children!