

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is WAVE?

WAVE is the primary fundraising body of Verdugo Woodlands. We raise money through events such as the Annual Benefit & Auction, restaurant fundraisers and Survivor Challenge as well as through passive fundraisers such as Ralphs and Amazon. Our goal is to meet the needs of the school that are not covered by state funding.

2. What is the difference between WAVE and PTA?

WAVE and PTA share a similar goal of enhancing the learning environment of Verdugo Woodlands Elementary School Students and work together to meet that goal. From the PTA website: "The PTA is a forum where parents, teachers, administrators and other concerned adults discuss ways to promote quality education, strive to expand the arts, encourage community involvement, and work for a healthy environment and safe neighborhoods." PTA does limited fundraising to support some of their programs, which include Reflections, Fall Festival, the Howdy Coffee, however fundraising is not their primary focus.

3. How does WAVE spend the money it raises?

WAVE has provided funding for the following supplies and programs:

- 3rd Grade Recorders
- Meet the Artist
- Playground Equipment
- Classroom Supplies
- Computers and other technology for teachers and students
- Library Books
- Salaries for Intervention Teacher, Part-Time Computer Lab Tech and Care-Counselor

4. Who decides how the money is spent?

WAVE gives out money two times each school year. Every WAVE Member who attends two meetings prior to each granting session is eligible to vote on where the money goes. Membership is free.

5. What can I do to help?

You can become a member. You can come to meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in Room 1220. You can volunteer your time and money. You can attend and support WAVE events.