It is an honor to be selected by the WSPTA nominating committee for the position of Program Director. I got involved in PTA when my family transferred here in 2013 and enjoy being a part of a fantastic organization. I have been married for 20 years and we have two fabulous boys who are 19 and 17. My husband is currently serving in the Navy and has been for 22 years. I currently work at Ridgetop Middle school as the ASB bookkeeper and athletic secretary. This allows me to get paid to work with kids as well as working with them in my volunteer roles with the PTA. Our number one priority is to be a voice for children, but to also let the children have a voice. One of the ways we do that is through the various programs we offer. As the Programs Director I will work with the BOD and PTA members to help strengthen our current programs and look for ways to bring new programs to the WSPTA. Programs like Reflections, WSPTA Essay contest and the Game competition give another opportunity for children to have a voice who many not normally speak out. This is away for children to express themselves through art, words or games when they many normally keep to themselves and be too shy to share. The awards programs give PTAs a way to share new and exciting ideas and programs with other PTAs so they can bring them to their members and children. My goal over the next year is to help strengthen these programs and support the committee chairs and members who are offering them to the children at their schools. I also would love to hear ideas of new programs that we could bring to WSPTA that would allow even more children a voice. I am excited for this opportunity and looking forward to serving our members and children.