Monthly PTA Newsletter

Feeling Thankful

As we move into November we are truly feeling thankful. This has been such a great start to the school year and we have received so much help and support! We are thankful for:

- The increase in PTA membership over last year
- The very successful monster book fair with some of our highest sales to date
- The many people who supported our 3rd Annual Golf Tournament making it the highest grossing to date
- The wonderful submissions to our 1st Reflections and being able to celebrate those who entered and those moving
 on to the county level
- The approval from MCPS for our Outdoor Classroom in the courtyard
- The financial donations we have received
- Saving Mileage Club
- · The wonderful ways we have shown the staff they are appreciated
- The endless number of hours that have been spent supporting the PTA and PES

November PTA Meeting—Special Topic

Please join us on November 3rd at 7:30 pm in room 18 at PES. We are looking forward to our monthly meeting. This month a member of the staff will be presenting a special topic to us, "Tips on getting the most out of your parent teacher conference." With parent teacher conferences right around the corner this topic is timely. The conferences are short and knowing how to tackle them helps!!! We will also have a guest appearance from the robot and get to learn more about how this technology can help and make a big impact in students lives. Global will be providing child care. We will end promptly at 8:30 pm. To access the agenda, meeting materials, and meeting minutes please go to www.pespta.com/agendas

PTA Membership & Student Directories—Thanks!

Thank you to all those who joined the PTA we are up to 238 members!!! The hardcopy directories are in and will be distributed through backpacks the first week of November. You always have access to the online version and app. http://www.pespta.com/Membership

Advocacy Work at the Board of Education

Mark your calendars and support Poolesville Schools!!! Monday, November 9, 7pm, at the Carver Education Building, Rockville, Maryland. Nothing grabs the attention of our Montgomery County Board of Education (MCBOE) members more than passionate education advocates.

Join us as the Poolesville Cluster testifies about our educational issues. Advocates will address the need to keep PHS's new building goals and funding on schedule.

Mass matters! Wear school colors and bring signs to remind the MCBOE that our cluster is small yet the most academically rigorous in the county, and our students in Poolesville deserve equity with their peers elsewhere in the county. As members of the community this meeting is so important and your attendance matters!!!

PES Family Fun Night

Friday, November 13th from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Join us for dancing to DJ Brady, Food Trucks, and Raffles to your favorite local restaurants and more!! This will be fun for the whole family. We will have seating this year to hand out with friends, eat, color, and have fun! It is \$2 for admission (kids under 3 are free). Bring extra money for raffles and food trucks. This is not a drop off event so please plan on brining the whole family and having a fun night! For more details go to: www.pespta.com/familyfun

Penny Wars—Coming Soon

During this time of giving thanks we want to start a new tradition where the kids get a chance to give back. Start collecting your loose change and stay tuned for more information!!!

Spirit Wear

Our first round of spirit wear went well. We raised a modest amount for PES and many of the staff and students were happy to have their black and orange in time for Halloween. Our next round of spirit wear will be coming up in early November so we can get them back in time for the holidays. Keep your eyes and ears open for that!



Highlights

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 3rd—7:30 pm November PTA Meeting

November 9th —Testimony at Board of Education (PHS Advocacy)

November 13th—7:00 pm PES Family Fun Night

PES GIFTS

In Place

- 4th Grade Time for Kids Subscription
- PE Equipment

In Progress

- Shed (MCPS approval needed)
- Courtyard—Outdoor Classroom (MCPS has approved, scheduling in progress)