

Smith Magnet Elementary | PTA NEWSLETTER - March 2024

Membership/Open Meetings

As a member of the PTA, you are invited to attend any of the scheduled meetings, but in particular we hold published open meetings three times per fiscal year. The next meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 18 from 5-5:30 in** the media room at the school (in conjunction with family math night and the spring book fair). Join us to learn more about what PTA is working on, elect officers for the coming year, and review the budget with us.

Additionally, membership is important to our PTA. The annual dues help support our school but also give members other benefits as well, such as advocacy, a network of supportive peers, and discounts to such businesses as WalMart, Hertz, Farmers Insurance, and others.



Topic of the Month: Yearbook!

Annually, the school year is assembled into a book of class photos and candid snapshots of our children's youth. This is a big undertaking by a behind-the-scenes team of volunteers to collect and compile these photos and work with the vendor to make this happen for us. A big shoutout and thank you to this team!

You can order the yearbook here. You can also submit candid class and/or field trip photos to ashleylndsy@gmail.com by May 2. NOTE: these photos must include 2+ students. Class photo day is scheduled for Thursday, April 18.





"Children must be taught how to think, not what to think." — Margaret Mead

PTA News



Upcoming Events

April 15-19 – Spring Book Fair

April 18 – Open PTA Membership Meeting at 5 pm in the media center at the school

April 19 – City Barbecue Meal Fundraiser

May 3 – Field Day (Rain date May 9)

May 6-10 – Teacher Appreciation Week

May 17 - Jersey Mike's Meal Run

Committee Reports

Fundraising committee – The spring book fair is scheduled for April 15-19 and we've got some restaurant/meal fundraisers planned for the next couple of months as well.



Dojo committee – The monthly Dojo activities are very popular with students and the budget is not keeping up with the demand for the cart inventory and party supplies. Consider donating to the party fund or purchasing items from the wishlist located here.

Teachers appreciation committee –Plans are underway for Teacher Appreciation in May.

Yearbook committee – Still working on candid photos. The deadline to order is May 3 to ensure delivery before end of school.

Events committee – Field Day is set for May 3 with a rain date of May 9. We will be needing volunteers for this event. Watch for the sign-up notice to open April 8.

Merchandise – Still time to get Smith swag before the end of school...shop online <u>here</u>.



Volunteer Opportunities

We can't do what we do without you! We have plenty of opportunities for members to volunteer and help us to provide events for the students and teachers. Our current need is for the book fair, so watch for more information coming soon about that! Be sure that your volunteer registration is updated annually! Information available here.



PTA Meetings

The PTA board meets monthly and these newsletters will provide updates from those meetings. We will have open meetings quarterly – some will be held virtually (on Zoom) and some in person at the school. Watch for those via email and the upcoming events!

In the meantime, feel free to reach out to the board with any questions!

"Education is a partnership between parents, teachers, and students, lighting the path to a brighter future."



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