



MICS PTO Meeting

2nd Meeting for 2018- Meeting Date: 10/05/2018

Upcoming Events and Committee Updates

- **Fall Festival Saturday. October 27th**
 - October 27th from 6:30-9:00
 - Haunted Hallways in Upper School building 7:30-9. This is sponsored by the HS theatre students.
 - There will be more bounce houses this year, including a MONSTER obstacle course.
 - Island Ice will have their food truck and another booth set up for food.
 - The concession stand will be open.
 - Flyers went out in Thursday Folders this week to lower school, will go out to the middle school on Friday.
 - Presale link for wristbands now open! Link on the school website and the SOAR website.
 - We need sponsors for the event- Different tiers for all budgets (ranging from \$75-\$350) can be a local business or a family-includes signage at event and all marketing material, also includes wristbands for their family.
 - We need lots of man power!! Utilizing NJHS, NHS and Key club to help get service hours, but will need lots of adults as well! Set up begins at 3.
 - Email Eileen Blackburn at eileenieb@gmail.com with any questions.

- **Staff Appreciation Committee-**
 - October 31st-Fall treats
 - Sign up through Parent Square will go out the week of October 8th
 - December 20th-Breakfast & Cookie Walk
 - Biscuits, granola bars, fruit and juice. Sign up through Parent Square
 - February 1st-Pre-Super Bowl Tailgate Luncheon
 - Wing bar catered by Sports Page. PTO Sponsored
 - April-Stock the Freezers. Popsicles and Ice cream
 - PTO Sponsored
 - May 6th-10th Teacher Appreciation Week
 - Catered lunch Zoe's Kitchen- PTO Sponsored
 - Gift Card pull/raffle. Sign up through Parent Square
 - Elementary School-Daily
 - MS/HS- Monday -ELA, Tuesday- Math, etc.
 - May 27th-Stock the Teacher Lounges for EOG's
 - Depending on budget, possibly PTO sponsored

Book Fair October 24th-November 2nd (these dates include delivery and set-up and aren't the dates that the fair will be open)-

- Nicole Swanson is chairing the book fair this year and Tina Hastings and Allison Hatzopoulos are co-chairs. Please be on the lookout for a sign up. We will need a lot of

volunteers for this event since a few key players will be chaperoning the 5th grade field study.

Grade/Room Parents-

- October 10th- Baby shower for Mrs. Goolsby (band teacher). All parents that have students in band grades 5-12 should have received an invitation to baby shower. Shower is being organized by Valerie Ashburn and is October 10, 10:50am-12:20pm. We are still in need of donations and volunteers to help setup/tear down. More information and sign ups can be found in Parent Square post.
- October 12 - We are in need of 3 more volunteers to help create a balloon arch to be used during the halftime of the homecoming game. Sign up went out to all high school parents on parent square. Sign up there or email us to help! Lori Witham will be heading up this creation!
- October 15 - the 1st Quarter HS Teacher Birthday Celebration!! High School Parents were notified of 1st quarter birthdays for high school teachers. Hollie Buck is heading up the committee to organize the HS Teacher Birthday Celebrations each quarter. She has quite a spread planned that MS and HS staff will be able to enjoy in celebration of these teachers and their special day! Many thanks to everyone that volunteered to send in items - our sign up is full! We could use 2 more volunteers to help set up in the MS/HS teacher workroom. Please remember that MS grade parents specifically take care of the MS core teachers' birthdays. However, parents can always refer to the Teacher Favorites Spreadsheet for birthdays and favorites for elective teachers.
- MS/HS Teacher/Staff Favorites spreadsheet is live online! This file lives on Parent Square under Files. To access, go to the home page of Parent Square, click Files, and scroll to find Teacher Favorites or just search for Teacher Favorites. If a MS/HS teacher you know if not on this list, please remind them to fill out our jotform that was posted on Parent Square! This file will come in handy for Teacher Appreciation Week or anytime you want to do something special for a teacher!
- 1st Quarter Honor Roll - The end of the 1st quarter is approaching, and honor roll recognition will be in full swing! MS honor rolls will be posted on the walls near each grade's core teachers. HS honor rolls will be divided by grade and posted in the 2nd floor of the atrium. In addition to a certificate, each honor student will receive a special treat. We are planning for this to occur around 1 week after the end of the quarter.

New Parent Welcome Committee-

- All new parents were contacted by a seasoned parent. These efforts were well received, and the feedback was good. May consider hosting a family BBQ for new comers next year.

Me and My Guy Dance TBD-

- This is a new event that will be held in February for all girls in K-8. Anyone interested in joining the planning committee for this event should contact either Sharon Loomis or Tara Bivens.

Mother/Son Baseball Outing-

- May be planned for spring. Details will be shared as they become available.

Spring Auction TBD-

- Heather Juhasz and Michelle Lamb are co-chairing, Molly Calvello is chairing.
- Last year we did 2 baskets per grade for k-8th grade. Local businesses and some parents were solicited and donated various items such as gift cards, vacations, sporting event tickets etc. HS students had a Penny War to fund 1 basket per grade.
- The auction made \$40K in the Spring of 2018.

- Molly is working on getting 20 Disney Park Hopper passes that can be either auctioned off or possibly action/raffled. More details to come.

Everyday Fundraising-

- Everyday Fundraising fliers were sent out in students Back to School information. Please remember to link your VIC Card through Harris Teeter. Amazon Smile and Shoparoo also participate. You must set up an online account with Publix to participate in their give back program. Once registered, you can just provide your number at check out.
- The annual Box Top contest is generally held between Monday, November 5th and Wednesday, February 6th. Collections are taken bi-weekly during the contest period and then monthly throughout the rest of the year. The winning teachers in each grade will win an ice cream social for their classes. The top winner will receive bragging rights in addition to a trophy for their classroom. If you are interested in volunteering to help collect Box Tops, please contact either Doug Lampkin or Lori Witham.
- Important Publix Partners update! Effective October 1, Publix will no longer use the small Publix Partners cards for schools. Starting October 1:
 - Sign up for Publix Partners at publix.com/partners
 - Select your school – Mountain Island Charter
 - At checkout, enter your phone number, and a portion of your total grocery bill will go to MICS.

Arts Committee-

- We are still looking for someone to lead the Arts Committee. If interested, please contact Molly Calvello.

Past Events

The Raptor Run-

- \$93,000 was raised for this year's Raptor Run, far surpassing our goal.
- 30k of the total was collected in online donations.
- Lots of positive feedback on the ease of the online donation site, Flip Cause.

Attendees: Robin Greene, Andrea Satterfield, Monica Patterson, Tracie Booker, Lori Witham, Tara Sears, Becky Swine (sp?), Alison Hatzopoulos, Teri Massey, Jen Casaletto, Kristen Hayes, Heather Juhasz, Tina Hastings, Nicole Swanson, Tara Bivens, Hillary Ross, Sharon Loomis, Greta Jones, Mary Ledford, Molly Calvello

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