

Shady Side PTO News

President's Message

Shady Side Families, winter is almost over!

Keep reminding your children to wash those hands with soap and water so everyone can have a healthy March!

More opportunities to be outside with the sun shining and warmer weather! We are excited for our Spring Programs and Events, including: 80's Party Spring Dance, Restaurant Nights, Seagull Sprint/Boosterthon Fun Run and our favorite BoGo Scholastic Book Fair! All of these events are most successful with the support of Shady Side Families!

WE NEED YOU! With us nearing the end of the school year, we are looking for some new PTO board members and committee members. If you have any interest in helping with school events, programs, and tasks, please let me know! There are committees available for all types of volunteers, whether you are a working parent or an at-home parent. We need volunteers to make our programs a success!

Our next PTO meeting is Thursday, March 19th at 6:30pm. Childcare will be provided. The budget will be presented in April and we will begin to discuss PTO officer elections for the 2020-2021 school year. We only have 3 meetings left for the school year!

Thank you,

Julia Howes, PTO President

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PTO Executive Board

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer School Principal Julia Howes Amanda Fincher Kat Denning Brandi Harmel Melissa Brown

PTO Mission

The PTO is organized for the purpose of supporting the education of children at Shady Side Elementary by fostering relationships among the school, parents, teachers, and community and to support the activities and programs of the school through financial and/or voluntary support.

Upcoming Events

Restaurant Spirit Night - Skipper's Pier Wednesday, March 11 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM

> PTO General Meeting Thursday, March 19 at 6:30 PM

> > Spirit Day - Western Day Friday, March 20

Spirit Day - Unity Day Tuesday, March 24

STEM Fair Night Tuesday, March 24 at 6:00 PM

South River Martial Arts After-School Program

We are excited to announce our Partnership with South River Martial Arts!! After School Program with classes on Tuesdays and Wednesdays (March 11,17,18,25,31 & Apr 1) in the school gymnasium from 4:00 to 4:45 PM.

The cost for the program is \$50 per child (Scholarships are available)! All proceeds are donated directly to the Shady Side Elementary PTO as a fundraiser. Applications went home in February and were due back to school no later than March 4.

Thank you to Mrs. Mitchell for being our staff volunteer for this program.

Contact: Julia Howes

Boosterthon

We are so excited to host another Fun Run (powered by Boosterthon) to help our school and promote fitness, leadership, character, and participation! Every student, regardless of financial participation, will have the opportunity to participate.



We're hoping to provide FREE t-shirts to the students this year and to do so we need t-shirt sponsors. Sponsorship opportunities include: \$250 for your company logo OR \$150 for your company name to be printed on the back of our event shirts. All donations are tax deductible.

We'll also need many volunteers to help on the day of the event in May.

Contact: Kelly Brantner, Boosterthon Chair brantner.kelly@gmail.com

Family Restaurant Night



Contact: Allan Wilburn, Restaurant Night Coordinator

PTO Elections for 2020-2021

Elections for new board members for the 2020-2021 school year will be held at the May 28, 2020 PTO Meeting. All positions are OPEN including: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary. If you would like to know more information about any of these positions, or would like to have your name added to the ballot, please contact Amanda Fincher.

- a. **President:** The president shall preside over meetings of the organization and executive board, serve as the primary contact for the principal, represent the organization at meetings outside the organization, serve as ex-officio members of all the committees except the nominating committee, and coordinate the work of all the officers and committees in order that the purpose of the organization be served. Also, perform such other duties as may be prescribed in these bylaws or assigned by this organization or by the executive board. If the president is absent or unable to serve, the vice president will assume the role of president.
- b. **Vice-President:** The vice president shall assist the president and carry out the president's duties in his or her absence or inability to serve. Also, perform such other duties as may be prescribed in these bylaws or assigned by this organization or by the executive board.
- c. **Secretary:** The secretary shall record the minutes of all meetings of this PTO, supply copies of the minutes of the previous meeting, file all records, be sure there is a current membership list and perform such other duties as may be prescribed in these bylaws or assigned by this PTO or by the executive board.
- d. **Treasurer:** The treasurer shall receive all the funds of the organization, keep an accurate record of receipts and expenditures, and pay out funds in accordance with the approval of the executive board, and make a full report of at the end of the year. Also, be responsible for the preparing and filing of all necessary tax forms, have the accounts examined at the close of the fiscal year and upon change of the treasurer by an outside professional auditor or an auditing committee and perform such other duties as may be prescribed in these bylaws or assigned by this organization or by the executive board.

The slate will be presented on Facebook 10 days prior to the election. At the annual meeting, nominations may also be made from the floor. Voting shall be by voice vote, if a slate is presented. If more than one person is running for office, a ballot vote shall be taken.

Contact: Amanda Fincher, PTO Vice President

Audit Committee

We are looking for 3 people (not on the current Board of Directors) to complete a Financial Audit for our organization. There is a template/guide available from www.PTOToday.com that can be utilized to assist with the process.

You do not need financial or accounting background, just a basic knowledge of checking accounts and registers.

The audit must be completed between June 15th and July 15th, 2020. Any questions or if you have an interest in being on the committee, please contact the treasurer.

Contact: Brandi Harmel, PTO Treasurer

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- Thirty One by Julia Howes, 443-871-4846

<u>Thank you</u> to all of those that helped make this event a success:

Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Blandford, the Custodial Staff, the Office Secretarial Staff, and to those that volunteered!