

# Shady Side PTO News

# A Word from the PTO President

Most of our scholars have officially been in school for a month now! It was great to see families at the Back to School Night / Sneak-A-Peek event!

The PTO appreciates all of the support the school and the families give us each year to reach our goals. We are so thankful for our Shady Side Families! Whether you are a working parent, a stay at home parent or even a grandparent or aunt/uncle, there is an opportunity for you to contribute to your child's education. It has been proven that when families are involved, students are able to prosper in their education.

If you are able to help with projects in the school, special events or even work on something in your home, please let us know! Our PTO meetings are the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30pm and includes free childcare during the meeting, so please attend! We look forward to working with you!

Thank you!

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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

Picture Day Friday, October 4

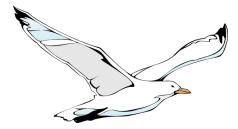
PTO Meeting Thursday, October 17 at 6:30 pm

Restaurant Night Ledo Pizza in Deale Tuesday, October 22 from 4 pm to 10 pm

> Unity Day Wednesday, October 23

Fall Festival / Halloween Parade Thursday, October 31

## Shady Side Spirit Wear



Thank you to the families and staff that purchased Spirit Wear through our kick off order! Deliveries will be made with the spirit wear mid-October.

We have some extra sizes of each style! Look for sales at the PTO meetings each month, Ice Cream Social night, and other school events! If you didn't order, please let me know and we can get an order placed for you! Thank you!

Contact: Julia Howes, Spirit Wear Coordinator - RJHowes813@aol.com or 443-871-4846

# School Directory

Shady Side PTO is moving to an online school directory!

A directory is important as a communication tool for all the things you need from other parents/guardians like birthday parties, forgotten homework, and playdates.

This secure online directory will require a unique login and password from each parent or guardian to access the directory and you will decide what information you share with others in the directory.

Look for more information in the coming weeks about how to include your information in the directory.

Contact: Jen Zeldis, Directory Coordinator - jen.zeldis@gmail.com.

# Restaurant Spirit Night

This month's family restaurant night is being hosted by **Ledo Pizza** in Deale. Families are welcome to dine in or carry out during the designated time. Orders can also be placed online at <a href="https://ledopizza.com">https://ledopizza.com</a> for carry out.

5720 Deale Churchton Road in Deale, MD 20751 Phone: (410) 867-2667

Tuesday, October 22, 2019 from 4 PM to 10 PM (Closing)

All orders placed during the event will be credited to Shady Side Elementary PTO.

Contact: Allan Wilburn, Restaurant Coordinator - 240-882-8969



## Volunteers Needed

## Treasurer-In-Training

Our current Treasurer is leaving SSES at the end of this school year. We are looking for a replacement she can train to take over her responsibilities when she leaves the school.

### School Store Volunteers

The school store is open twice a week in the mornings (8:55 to 9:15). We are looking for volunteers to help students shop at the store, either weekly or bi-weekly.

## Store Rewards Chair

Each year, the PTO receives funding from merchant rewards programs such as Harris Teeter, Amazon Smile and Office Max. This committee is an easy way to be involved without having to volunteer during school hours.

## **Hospitality Assistant**

The Hospitality Chair is in need of someone to help organize and coordinate teacher appreciation focused events a couple times per year. If you have availability during school hours but don't want to be in charge of a committee, this could be the role for you.

## Teachers Elves

Whether it's making copies, reshelving books, cutting out sight words, or sharpening pencils, there are always tasks that our teacher's need help with. They don't take much time to complete, but are much appreciated.

## Other Volunteer Opportunities

Not sure how you can help the PTO or school? Just ask. We have many a wide range of things going on in the school that need your help for success. Interested in setting up something new? We'd love to hear your ideas for ways to help benefit our students and staff.

## Want to Volunteer? Contact:

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