



MMS PTO NEWS

May 15,

2018



Upcoming Dates:

- Wednesday, May 16 – Scrip Orders Due
- Thursday, May 17 – Beg. Band Performance, 7 pm
- Monday, May 21-Friday, May 25 – 8th Grade Dance Tickets on sale during C Lunches
- Monday, May 28 – NO SCHOOL
- Tuesday, May 29 – Cadet Statesmen Choir Concert, 7 pm, SLEHS
- Wednesday, May 30 – Staff v. Students Kick Ballgame, after school
- Friday, June 1 – Choir Concert, 7 pm, SLEHS
- Saturday, June 2 – Choir Banquet
- Tuesday, June 5 – Band to Cedar Point
- Tuesday, June 5 – Lyon Cantina Fundraiser, all day
- Wednesday, June 6 – Choir to Cedar Point
- Wednesday, June 6 – Hungry Howies Fundraiser, all day
- Wednesday, June 6 – Scrip Orders Due
- Friday, June 8 – Mustang Madness & 8th Grade Picnic
- Friday, June 8 – 8th Grade Dance, 7-9 pm
- Tuesday, June 12 – Aubrees Fundraiser with certificate
- Tuesday, June 12 – Dairy Queen Fundraiser, 2:30-5:30 pm
- Wednesday, June 13-Friday, June 15 – HALF DAY SCHEDULE and Final Exams
- Friday, June 22 – Honors Assemblies for all grades, SLEHS



Drop Off & Pick Up Protocol – Our school continues to have major problems with traffic during drop-off in the morning and pick-up in the afternoon in the 6th grade loop, the 7th/8th grade loop and the east driveway running north/south along the tennis courts behind Lukas/Parkside/CVS. The PTO has purchased signage (see above) to try to alleviate the problem, reminding drivers that there is to be “no parking/sitting/standing” of a vehicle during these times. We need parents, grandparents, siblings, neighbors, chauffeurs, and anyone who is entrusted to transport your child to or from MMS, to know the procedure. **Traffic should move forward at all times in these lanes as space opens when other vehicles depart; DO NOT stay in one place (i.e. near the door, near the end of the sidewalk, near the crosswalk) waiting for students to leave your car at a certain time in the morning or waiting for students to get into your car in the afternoon, no matter the weather. Students can, and will, wait near the doors until arrival time or find their way to vehicles located anywhere along the curbs at dismissal.** Vehicles arriving excessively early for drop-off or pick-up are asked to please park in a parking lot until proper time, or at the very least pull all the way forward and line up consecutively using the protocol of not parking or sitting somewhere when space is open in front of your vehicle. Reminders may be given to vehicles not following this procedure.



Thank you from the Staff – An extraordinary appreciation lunch was provided to the staff on May 10th with a catered main dish from Lyon Cantina and donations from the following helpful parents: Erica Aittama, Katherine

Housman, Marlece White, Jennifer Clement, Michelle Black, Marianne Terpack, Lisa Stebbins, Cindy Groene, Leah Keating, Susan Swanson, Caroline Mason, Kari Olesuk, Dana DeGrazia, Laurie McCarty, Angie Kern, Stacy Lis, Kim Quinn, Lori Penndorf, Carol Becker, Molly Goike, Christina Kosior, Teri Guajardo, Heather Reif, Carol Becker, Chandra Slayer, Deborah Bracken, Jennifer Jones, Nikki Golden, Cindy Monzon, Kathy Swan, Jo-Anne Scheloske, Laura Carino, Rachael Showerman, Nancy Robbert, Carol Malek, Victoria Arnett, Amy Ruschak, Anne Marie Benjamin, Alice Riley, Amy Aloisio, Susan Schnitzel, Sara Cheadle, Travis Reeds, and Erin Wilson. Erin served as the PTO Chairperson of Staff Appreciation this year and she planned, organized and ran the event on behalf of our students and families to show how thankful we are for our hard-working, committed teachers, support staff, administration, clerks, supervisors, and all the people behind the scenes in kitchen, maintenance, and custodial.



Box Tops for Education – PLEASE TURN IN YOUR BOXTOPS BEFORE JUNE 1ST! Our last reimbursement request to Box Tops for Education for this school year will be in June so we need your submissions now. Remember it is free money for our PTO to use on our student body and your child could win a prize in our monthly drawing. Collection boxes are located in both offices. You must fill out an entry form for every 10 box tops collected, **with your name on the entry**, to be entered into the monthly drawing – two winners from each grade each month will receive a gift. Every Box Top is worth 10 cents and can be found on a variety of products; visit www.boxtops4education.com for more information. Continue to collect over the summer and submit them in September to start our funds rolling again!



Information:

8th grade Dance – Tickets for our beach theme 8th Grade Dance will be sold all next week, Monday, May 21 – Friday, May 25, during C Lunch. Prices are \$10 per ticket; ticket is required to attend and will not be sold at the door. The dance will be on Friday, June 8th from 6:30-9:00 pm. School dress code applies.

8th grade Picnic – A huge thank you to Shelley Lecrone, Marlece White, Victoria Arnett, Lee Heuver, and Susan Harris for volunteering to help Mrs. Jones-Tims plan the picnic portion of Mustang Madness for our Class of 2022. We still need donations and volunteers to help during the event on Friday, June 8th. Please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0548aea72ba20-8thgrade> to see how you are able to contribute!



Your MMS PTO Board for the 2018-2019 School Year – As the school year ends, we are happy to announce new members of PTO who will be taking over, current members who will shift positions and current members who will stay on! President – Dana DeGrazia, Vice President – Michelle Black, Treasurer – Anne Patterson, Secretary – Marianne Terpack, CHEERS Coordinator – Amy & Dave Consiglio, Staff Appreciation Coordinator – Maureen Krause, Spiritwear Coordinator – Laura Carino, Facebook Coordinator – Marianne Terpack, Box Tops Coordinator – Sherrie Dolby-Arnoldy, and Peeps for Peeps Coordinator – Kathy Swan. We also had many fabulous parents offer to help with the 8th grade dance and the 8th grade picnic for next year, and we will have the position of a Washington DC Trip parent for the incoming 6th grade class filled by the end of this school year as things are finalized; these parents will receive information from Dana DeGrazia soon. The new board will take over on June 1st, and you will receive one last PTO Newsletter from our new President with updates then. The mix of experienced volunteers along with new faces should make for a great year!

Washington DC Fundraising Opportunities – If there is any parent who is interested in helping to run a fundraiser for 6th and 7th grade students to earn money to lower the cost of their trip, please contact Ross Baker at bakerr@slcs.us to learn more. He has lots of EASY ways for this to be done, but we cannot take advantage of the fundraising without a parent to be in charge of each one.



Fundraising for 8th Grade Washington DC Trip – Remember you can start fundraising for your student's trip by linking your Busch's My Way card to their Cash for Education program. Simply log on to your MyWay account at www.buschs.com/MyWay, choose the Cash For Education button on the right hand side, and then use the dropdown

menus to scroll to Millennium Middle School PTO; please remember to enter the student name for proper bookkeeping. If you have family and friends earning toward your student too they will need to go through the same process. Please contact Karen Reeds at millenniumpresident@gmail.com if you have questions about this program or need assistance in registering your choice with MMS PTO.

School Communications – There are a number of different ways to find out the happenings at MMS! Our school website is at www.slcs.us, choose Millennium under “Schools”; there you will find links to information, announcements, forms, a calendar and much more. You will also receive a weekly Skylert email from the school at the end of every week going over important information and dates. This PTO Newsletter will be sent monthly, after the PTO meetings, via Skylert and will be posted on the school website along with PTO Meeting Minutes each month. **Our Facebook pages are “Millennium Middle School South Lyon, Michigan” and “Millennium Middle School PTO” – please be sure to “like” both pages!** And we are now on Twitter at @MillenniumMS with fun pictures of students in action. If you have a school activity or PTO-related item to communicate in this Newsletter or on Facebook, please contact Karen Reeds at millenniumpresident@gmail.com for approval.

PTO Board and Committee Chairs – President – Karen Reeds, Vice President – Dana DeGrazia, Treasurer – Anne Patterson, Secretary – Marianne Terpack, CHEERS – Amy & Dave Consiglio, Spirit Wear – Laura Carino, Box Tops – Julie Konett, Staff Appreciation – Erin Wilson, Facebook – Lori Willett, Peeps for Peeps – Lisa Stebbins, Julie Blossfeld, Kathy Swan and Carryn DelBene, Book Fair – Caroline Mason, Sue Young & Jennifer Paulin



Next PTO Meeting –September, 2018 – date and time to be announced