



Our next PTA meeting will be Tuesday, December 3rd in the media center from 7-8pm, babysitting will be available. You are welcome to join even if you are not yet a member of the PTA, we'd love to see you there and have your input.

Coming up, our annual Bingo Night will be January 17th at Rosa Parks. Bingo night is always a well attended and fun event for the whole family! Flyers will be going home before Winter Break. Also, there will be a 5th Grade Fundraiser with raffle items at Olney Winery on January 26th. Money raised will go towards the 5th Grade Recognition Ceremony and other associated costs.

Staff Appreciation

The PTA is hosting Cookies and Coffee the morning of December 11. We are hoping to provide the staff with a mid-month jolt of jolly and java! :) The PTA will provide the coffee and hot water. We're looking for donations of sweet treats. Donations can be dropped off to Melissa Frye anyday before 12/11 or by 8:40 that morning.

The link to sign up is:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0548AEA62AAAF94-coffee>

Variety Show

It's about that time of year again, the Greenwood Variety Show is around the corner! The 2020 Greenwood Variety Show will take place on May 16 at 2pm @ Sherwood High School. To sign up your 5th grader, [please click here](#) and complete the form. To sign up your child in grades K-4, [please click here](#). The signup deadline is January 5, 2020.

The Variety Show store is now available in Membership Toolkit. You can purchase photos, advertising, shout outs and the DVD. Go to <https://greenwoodpta.membershiptoolkit.com/>, select the General Store and then the Variety Show store; you can also use the app. In the store you'll also find the required 5th grade props fee. T-shirts will be sold separately beginning January 1, details to follow.

We're in great need of parent volunteers. Please email varietyshow@greenwood-pta.org to volunteer.

MCPS Boundary Analysis

All residents of Montgomery County are invited to attend to learn more about the Boundary Analysis process and give feedback on opportunities and challenges with our public schools. The dates and locations of the meetings are as follows:

- December 4 at Gaithersburg High School
- December 11 at Julius West Middle School
- December 14 at White Oak Middle Oak
- January 7 at Walter Johnson High School
- January 11 at Montgomery Blair High School
- January 14 at Northwest High School

Contact the Board of Education and tell them your opinion as a parent/resident of the SHERWOOD CLUSTER at boe@mcpsmd.org or call 240-740-3030

MCCPTA news

Due to the recent events in California the MCCPTA Board of Directors voted at their November Board meeting to move the Gun Violence resolution forward as an emergency resolution -- **they will bring it to a vote at the December 4 Delegates Assembly**, instead of waiting until January 28, 2020.

The draft of the amendment as well as the National PTA's Resolution on Gun Safety and Violence Prevention and the 2013 MCCPTA Amendment can be found on the Greenwood PTA website: <http://greenwood-pta.org/mcps-news/>

Please share comments on the Draft resolution with MCCPTA School Climate and Safety committee chair Gillian Huebner at climateandsafety@mccpta.org.

Winter After School Programs

Enrollment for winter after school programs is now open. Early bird registration closes December 6th. Flyers went home via backpack express before Thanksgiving however copies of the flyers are available on the PTA website: <http://greenwood-pta.org/after-school-programs/>

Yearbook

Gators, let's capture memories together! New this year we'd love your help gathering pictures for the yearbook. Email yearbook@greenwood-pta.org photos from Greenwood events along with your child's grade level and teacher's name OR go to <https://greenwoodmcps.shutterfly.com/> to upload your school event photos directly. The password is GreenwoodMCPS When the yearbook rolls around in June, you'll see your photos there!

Yearbooks are now on sale. The earlybird price is \$20 and can be ordered online only. For information on how to order please visit the PTA website, <http://greenwood-pta.org/>.

Please feel free to contact the PTA with any questions or comments. Your insights are invaluable to our school. If you have not done so already Like our Facebook page “Greenwood Elementary School PTA” and be sure to visit <http://greenwood-pta.org/> for up to date information. Hope to see you at our next PTA meeting, Tuesday, December 3rd from 7-8pm. I hope you all have a wonderful holiday season. Stay warm!

Sincerely,

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