



1/29/2020

Our next PTA meeting will be Tuesday, February 4th in the media center from 7-8pm, babysitting will be available. We will be discussing options of what PTA can give back to Greenwood including the proposed Dreambox subscriptions discussed at January's meeting. 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.

Gator Gala



Adult Gators: Have you purchased your tickets for the Golden Gator Gala yet? *THERE ARE ONLY 85 TICKETS REMAINING UNTIL WE SELL OUT!* Don't miss your chance to attend the celebration of the (half) century as we leap into Greenwood's 50th year!

Saturday, February 29, 2020, 7-10 pm

The Manor at Silo Falls
19501 Georgia Avenue
Brookeville, MD 20833

[\(Invitation as PDF link\)](#)

The PTA invites you to join us for an adults-only evening featuring a DJ, dinner, dessert, and silent auction.

Menu: Seasonal Fruit and Cheese Display, Caesar Salad, Grilled Chicken, Italian Meatballs Tuscany, Penne Pasta, Alfredo Sauce, Rustic Tomato Sauce, Garlic Bread, Grated Cheese/Crushed Red Pepper, Dessert Cake, Non-Alcoholic Beverages (Soft drinks, Lemonade, Iced Tea, Coffee, Tea). *Gluten-free option available upon request. **Cash Bar for alcoholic beverages.

Suggested Attire: Casual Chic (Google It!)

Tickets: \$50 per person, online only, subject to availability

* Visit the <https://greenwoodpta.membershiptoolkit.com> store to purchase.

Deadline to purchase: Friday, February 14th or when tickets sell out, whichever comes first.

Silent Auction: We've already received some exciting additions to our silent auction including:

- Tickets to DC sporting events,
- Local business services,
- Homemade art, and
- Unforgettable experiences from Greenwood like Principal for the Day or a teacher hosted pizza party and basketball with friends!

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Questions? Email Christina Conroy, secretary@greenwood-pta.org, or visit <http://greenwood-pta.org/gator-gala/>

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Culture Night

Hola! Bonjour! नमस्कार ! Merhaba! !שלום

It's time for Culture Night! Thursday, February 20th from 7-8:30pm. We need all sorts of contributions from friends!

Ways for Greenwood Students to get involved:

- ~ Create a table display
- ~ Give a short performance
- ~ Participate in the Fashion Show

Ways for teens and adults to get involved:

- ~ Teach kiddos useful phrases in another language (email melissafrye13@gmail.com)
- ~ Volunteer for set up, clean up, help with the night's activities

For all that's listed above, please visit our signup genius below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f49aea623aa8-greenwood>

Thank you for all your support in making this a GREAT event!

Spring Book Fair

This year will be having TWO Scholastic book fairs. Our Spring Book Fair coincides with Read Across America week, March 2-6th. Come instill a love of reading in your gator and stock up on new books! The book fair will be open on Tuesday evening, March 3rd, so you can shop on your way to our monthly PTA meeting. More information to come.

Skate Night

Skate night will be Saturday, March 21 from 4-6pm at the Rockville Ice Arena. Tickets can be purchased ahead of time on Membership Toolkit (coming soon) or at the door. Flyers will be sent home with more information via backpack express later in February.

Wellness Night

Family Health and Wellness Night will be April 23rd at 6:30 pm and will feature activities to help you engage in and learn about ways to care for your family's physical, mental, and emotional health. Don't miss our fun fitness warm up followed by an opportunity to rotate through a variety of stations run by local experts who will provide valuable information and hands-on activities. Come collect age-appropriate tools to cope with anxiety, become a nutrition detective, engage in mindful art, calm your mind and body with yoga, and collect a variety of resources to support positive development! Most importantly, opportunities will be provided for you to reflect on how these resources can work for YOUR individual family.

Variety Show

The 2020 Greenwood Variety Show will take place on May 16 at 2pm @ Sherwood High School.

Save these dates:

- February 17: T-shirt order deadline
- March 1: Music for K-4 acts due
- March 1: Tickets for the Variety Show go on sale
- March 24th: Preview and photos at Greenwood APR
- May 12: 6-8pm: Variety Show Rehearsal at Sherwood HS
- May 16: 2pm: Variety Show at Sherwood HS.

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.

Variety show t-shirts are now on sale for \$5. Go to <https://www.bsnteamsports.com/shop/GESVS2020> to place your order. Orders must be placed before **February 17th**. All 5th graders need to purchase a shirt!

Tickets for this event will be available through Showtix starting March 1st.

Information was sent home to your K-4 group coordinator or directly to 5th grade ensemble participants. For reference it is available at <http://greenwood-pta.org/2020-variety-show/>

MCCPTA news

Here are some highlights from January's meeting:

1) Ed Clark, Director of School Safety and Security for MCPS spoke about:

- MCPS is aware of additional accidents, county govt to improve pedestrian safety, and improve traffic safety; invest in more side walks. Start with school principal to bring up safety concerns.
- Policy on threat assessment, especially after school crisis, early intervention is key, prevention and intervention.
- There is no model/requirement on how much staff is needed during recess. MCCPTA will bring up to upper administration and revisit back.

2) MCCPTA approved a resolution on gun violence prevention and school safety at the December 4th Delegate Assembly. MCCPTA has shared the resolutions with the Board of Education and MCPS staff. MCCPTA will continue their advocacy with the Board's policy committee in the new year.

3) Boundary Analysis: Currently in phase 1 with targeted meetings. If you'd like more information please visit their website (includes FAQ and glossary): [Boundary Analysis - Montgomery County Public Schools, Rockville, MD](#)

Yearbook

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/>. If you have pictures to submit for the yearbook please upload them now, we are already hard at work on the layout!

Upcoming Dates to Remember

February: Winter MAP and COGAT testing

February 4: PTA meeting - Will discuss ideas of how PTA can contribute to academics at Greenwood

February 7: Spirit Day

February 12: Dining Night Out at Chick Fil A

February 14: Classroom Valentine Party

February 17: No School

February 20: 7-8:30pm Culture Night

February 28: EARLY RELEASE at 12:55pm

February 29: Gator Gala

March 2-6: Spring Book Fair and Read Across America Week

March 3: PTA meeting 7-8:00pm

March 18: 6-8pm GES Math and Reading Night

March 21: GES Skate Night at Rockville Indoor Ice Arena

April : Spring Break

April 23: Wellness Night

May 16: Variety Show 2pm

June 6: Spring Fair

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, February 4th from 7-8pm.

Sincerely,

Mary Quirion

Meeting notes:

Gator Gear

There is currently a sale with 10% off your order from today until the 14th?

Book Fair

The book fair sign up genius will be going out later this month and we are asking for volunteers just as Greenwood did for the fall. We will have times for the classes to visit and one evening time that we will need volunteers for. We will also need volunteers for set up and take down. Thanks!