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Happy Fall Gators!

Thanks to all that contributed to our Fall Fundraiser. It was great to see so many families participating in such a fun community event. We anticipate a **net of over \$10,500 raised!** This money will be used by the PTA to provide educational assemblies during school, reimburse teachers for out-of-pocket educational enrichment costs, continue updating indoor and outdoor recess equipment, and sponsor free or low cost programs and events for the Greenwood community throughout the year. Way to glow Gators!!! And thank you to the Glow Run and Fall Festival committee who worked extremely hard to put together such an amazing evening.

Our next PTA meeting will be Tuesday, November 5th in the media center from 7-8pm. 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. Prior to the PTA meeting there will be a Variety Show volunteer meeting from 6:30-7:00pm in the media center. The Variety Show coordinator is looking for volunteers to help run this year's event. Also, for individuals interested in discussing a proactive role for Greenwood and the larger Sherwood cluster during the boundary analysis there will be an informal meeting after November's PTA meeting.

Kids Holiday Craft Night

If you haven't had a chance to sign your student up to participate in Craft Night, now is the time! The deadline to register has been extended to Monday, November 4th. Holiday Craft Night is a fun event that provides Greenwood students time to create special gifts for their family, friends, and teachers! Students can choose one or more of the craft projects. Projects are \$5 a piece and must be purchased ahead of time. The event flyer and registration sheet can be found on the PTA website: <http://greenwood-pta.org/portfolio/>

Parent Craft Night

Crafts aren't just for kids! The Urban Pallet Company is coming to Greenwood Wednesday, November 13 and Thursday, November 14 for the parents. While your kids are crafting in the APR, come paint a custom sign down the hall in the art room. There are over 40 styles to choose from. Sign up to participate and choose your design here: <https://www.theurbanpalletcompany.com/register/greenwood>. Projects take roughly 30 minutes to complete.

Take Your Child To School Day

In conjunction with the NAACP and Greenwood's administration the PTA will be serving coffee by the flagpole in front of the school for all parents that walk their children to school on Monday, November 11th from 8:30-9:00am. This amazing opportunity helps remind your children of your commitment to their education.

NAACP Annual Kick Off Event

On Tuesday, November 19th the NAACP Parents' Council kickoff meeting will be held from 5–9 p.m. at Northwest High School. This event will bring together parents, MCPS teachers, principals and administrators to share ideas on how to champion equity and excellence in education. Participants will have an opportunity to attend a resource fair and various breakout sessions. John B. King Jr., former U.S. Secretary of Education, will be the keynote speaker. Northwest High School is located at 13501 Richter Farm Road in Germantown. Further information can be found at

<https://news.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/quicknotes/naacp-parents-council-kickoff-event-set-for-nov-19/>

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. When the yearbook rolls around in June, you'll see your photos there!

Boundary Analysis

On November 18, 2019 at 6pm the Board of Education will hold a districtwide boundary analysis hearing at Carver Educational Services Center, 850 Hungerford Drive, Rockville, Maryland, 20850. You do not need to sign up to attend. Individuals wishing to testify at this hearing can sign up online at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd3Cq6C9c08s8sup_gZCRDx2kRGOTF1XNk7SErCmUb1SYygEg/viewform. You will be given three minutes to provide testimony. You are not allowed to cede time to another speaker.

Recently the MCPS boundary analysis was discussed on MyMCMedia. To view the discussion visit:

<https://www.mymcmedia.org/21-this-week-mcps-school-boundary-study-may-address-community-segregation/>

MCCPTA news

At the last MCCPTA meeting, people discussed amendments to the advocacy priorities.

Some of the amendments included:

1) providing more consistent support to students of special needs;

- 2) developing a comprehensive county real estate strategy to serve both immediate and long term mcps needs; and
- 3) reestablishing as necessary final exam policies.

Amendments to the advocacy priorities will be discussed at November's PTA meeting.

Volunteers needed

We need a coordinator for Culture Night! It is scheduled to take place on February 20th. Like all of our amazing programs and activities it cannot happen without your help. To view open positions or to sign up to volunteer go to :

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B4AA9A62BA20-programs>

If you have questions regarding the positions please contact our volunteer coordinator.

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, November 5th from 7-8pm.

Sincerely,

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