



PTO Notes – September 22, 2016

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We would appreciate your attendance and input but realize not everyone can always make the meetings. Information can be e-mailed to anyone interested. PTO welcomes all parents and family that would like to be involved. Together we can do great things with and for our children!

PTO Meetings:

All PTO Meetings are held in the Aurora Frontier Library. Each meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. and will be approximately one hour in length. We would love to have you join us!

September 22 nd	October 20 th	January 26 th
February 23 rd	March 23 rd	April 27 th

Note – we do not meet in November and December

Calendar of Events: We have lots of activities planned for this year! Please see the scheduled events at <http://frontier.aurorak12.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/54/2016/10/2016-2017-PTO-Calendar.pdf> . If you are able to volunteer at any of the events, please contact Brandi and / or Shelly.

Budgetary Information: For this school year, Brandi, Shelly and Mrs. Roberts are working to obtain a wish list from teachers for a list of items needed.

Staff Member Grants: Each staff member that is requesting assistance from the PTO will need to complete a Grant Request Form for consideration. Staff member grants will promote innovative teaching, improve curriculum and enhance student life.

We reviewed 1 grant request submitted by Thomas Gibbens

- Requesting \$500 to help with purchasing new wrestling uniforms and screen printing the Aurora Frontier falcon on the existing uniforms. The current uniforms are the originals; 11 years old.
- Approximate total cost is \$1,193
- This grant would put the wrestling team in a good spot with uniforms for a few years
- Hoping to grow the team to 40 students
- The school has a \$2,400 athletic budget this year; there are 9 sports in the school, 6th – 8th grade
- PTO Members approved to grant a total of \$500 for wrestling uniforms.

At the next meeting in October, we will be reviewing a grant request for Field Day; waiting to hear from community partner.



Robotics Program: New to Aurora Frontier this year. Gwynn Moore will be supporting and working with 28 students from 5th to 8th grade as they work hands-on with STEM activities. This is a free competition. Aurora Frontier will be hosting the competition on 10/8/16. Volunteers needed to run the concession stand; sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0944AEAE28A3FA7-robotics

Volunteers Wanted: We are looking for volunteers throughout the school year to assist with a variety of activities:

- **Concession Stand:** Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 4:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. If you are unable to stay the entire time, that is ok, please let us know what time you are available and we will accommodate your schedule.
- **Skate City Nights:** We will be holding 4 Skate City fundraisers throughout the school year. Last year, we were able to net approximately \$1,000 from this fundraiser. We are looking for volunteers to help from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m. Event nights are 11/9/16, 2/22/17, 5/10/17. We made \$257 from the last Skate City event.
- **PTO Committees:** Social, Hospitality & Fundraising
Please reach out to Brandi and Shelly if you are interested in volunteering.

Turkey Trot:

- Will be held at the school on November 19th
- Not a lot for PTO to handle for this event
- PTO will purchase snacks (fruit and granola bars) for participants if unable to get donation from sponsor

Southlands Holiday Parade:

- Same day as Turkey Troy; November 19th
- School float; can have 35 individuals in the parade
- Volunteers will need to sign a waiver from Southlands
- Volunteers needed, please sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0944AEAE28A3FA7-aurora1

Scholastic Book Fair:

- Will need volunteers during the day to help out. The book fair will be 11/28 – 12/2
- If interested, please contact Brandi or Shelly

School Dance:

- In need of volunteers to help plan a dance for Spring 2017
- If interested, please contact Brandi or Shelly

Jim & Nicks:

- Jim & Nicks were onsite for Back to School night
- Offered to host a family box dinner night for school; \$40 boxed dinners
- Pre-order with the school; more details to come with specifics

Fundraisers:

- **Arts & Eats Fall Festival**
 - SAVE THE DATE: October 27th - Arts & Eats Fall Festival (Formerly known as the Spaghetti Dinner); a fun event set aside to help raise funds for our 8th grade scholarship program. More information will be sent home soon on this fun, family event!
 - Committee: Brandi, Shelly, Whitney & Kristin



- Will have a chili dinner. We are in the process of working with a community partner to get the food donated for the event.
- Cost will be \$10 / head with a max of \$50. 100% of the proceeds will go to the 8th grade scholarships.
- Events: haunted house (leadership students in 7th and 8th grade will decorate), scavenger hunt for students (based on the art projects throughout the school), pumpkin decorating contest and costume contest (no masks, no weapons).
- Costumes can only be worn during this evening event on October 27th; children only. No costumes are permitted at school on Halloween.
- Volunteers needed; sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0944AEAE28A3FA7-arts

- **Integrity Fundraiser - Butter Braids**
 - Everyone loved this fundraiser that we started in Spring 2016
 - Fundraiser will run from 10/24/16 – 11/7/16
 - Butter braids will sale for \$13 each. School profits \$5.25 on each butter braid sold.
 - Volunteers needed to help distribute the butter braids to student classrooms on 11/16/16. If you are interested in volunteering from 12:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m., please sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0944AEAE28A3FA7-integrity

- **Box Tops**
 - Goal for year is to collect 2,000 box tops
 - The fall submission deadline is 11/1/16.

- **No Fuss Fundraiser**
 - Flyers have been sent home with students
 - Something new we want to try this year to give parents an opportunity to donate directly to the school

- **King Soopers**
 - Purchase a reloadable \$5 gift card
 - Reload your gift card when you are checking out and pay for your groceries every time you shop at King Soopers.
 - Each time Aurora Frontier reaches \$5,000 or more, King Soopers will donate 5% to the PTO.

- **Labels for Education**
 - They changed their program. We will not be participating this year.

- **Target Red Card**
 - Had a program that gave back to schools. Unfortunately, this is being phased out.

- **Shoparoo**
 - We have applied to be a participating school and have been placed on a waiting list.

Help Grow the PTO! Please let us know what we can do to get more parents involved as active PTO members. We have ordered signs to place up near the school as reminders. We also have a PTO Bulletin Board located in the main hall of the school.