

WELCOME BACK!

SHEPHERD PTO MEETING 29TH SEPTEMBER 2021

A NEW YEAR...

PTO focus for SY2021/22 is COMMUNITY!

- How do we reconnect and build community amongst Shepherd families after (and during) this challenging period?
- How do we best support our staff who are working tirelessly to educate and keep our students safe?
- How can we be our best, to demonstrate grace, kindness and respect to one another during stressful times?
- Ideas? CONNECT WITH US at PTO@shepherd-elementary.org



AGENDA



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Other Updates

W3DNET, LSAT, and PAVE updates, as well as AOB, Q&A, and Announcements

PTO EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Co-Presidents:
 - Taryn Losch-Beridon
 - G. Derek Musgrove
- Vice President: Sara Faulman
- Treasurer: Andrea Smith
- Assistant Treasurer: Alexis Hill White
- Recording Secretary: Ayana McIntosh
- Corresponding Secretary: Liz Bradley

- Communications and Advocacy: Kate Snyder
- Fundraising and Grants: Siri Warkentien
- Family Engagement: Cendrine Robinson
- Curriculum and Staff Support: OPEN POSITION
- Health and Wellness: Dana Ju
- Facilities Improvement: OPEN POSITION
- Community Engagement and Public Relations:
 Robyn Slagle Showanes

Important Contact Information:

General School Info: lnfo@Shepherd-Elementary.org

PTO email: PTO@Shepherd-Elementary.org

Treasurers: PTOTreasurer@Shepherd-Elementary.org

Corresponding Secretary/Communications: Communications@Shepherd-Elementary.org

A SAMPLING OF PTO-SPONSORED EVENTS IN THE YEAR AHEAD...

OCTOBER

- 9th Coffee and Conversation with Dr. Hedlund for PK3 families
- SAVE THE DATE 30th Fall PTO Event

NOVEMBER

- 16th Coffee & Convo with Dr. H for Kinder
- Date TBC Fall Family Photo Shoot

DECEMBER

• 21st - Holiday Party for Shepherd Staff

JANUARY

- 18th Coffee & Convo with Dr. H for 1st Grade
- Date TBC Summer Camp Expo

FEBRUARY

- Date TBC 32nd Annual Jazz Night
- 15th Coffee & Convo with Dr. H for 2nd Grade

MARCH

• 15th - Coffee & Convo with Dr. H for 3rd Grade

APRIL

- 7th 2nd Annual Health & Wellness Fair
- 19th Coffee & Convo with Dr. H for 4th Grade
- Date TBC I7th Annual Spring Gala and Auction

MAY

17th – Coffee & Convo with Dr. H for 5th Grade
 Date TBC – 2nd Annual Shepherd Family
 Camping Trip

JUNE

 Date TBC – 5th Grade Graduation and Popsicle Promotions for All Grades

DCPS COVID RESPONSE PROTOCOL

- Ensures confidential and timely reporting of potential exposures.
- Trained contact tracing staff will follow reporting criteria to notify impacted parties of confirmed cases.
- Link to DCPS Covid-19 Response Protocol FAQ



HOW COVID-19 CASES AT SCHOOL ARE REPORTED

Learn more at dcpsreopenstrong.com/health/response/

REPORT & ISOLATE

STUDENT shares with their school they tested positive for COVID-19 after not feeling well and / or showing symptoms common with the virus.

Student should isolate for at least 10 days and cannot attend school in person until medically cleared.

TEACHER or STAFF shares with their school they tested positive for COVID-19 after not feeling well and / or showing symptoms common with the virus.

Person will isolate and not return to work until medically cleared.

ASYMPTOMATIC student, teacher or staff receives a positive result from weekly testing that screens for COVID-19.

Individual will isolate and not return to school / work until medically cleared.

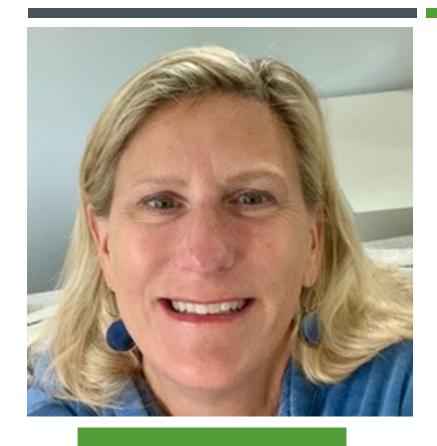
INVESTIGATE

- The person who tested positive for COVID-19 will be interviewed by a contact tracer to inform the school investigation underway.
- Contact tracers work with trained school staff to determine who is a close contact.
- Contact tracers inform DCPS of the investigation status, including the students and / or staff who are determined to be close contacts.
- Students in a classroom setting who are within 3 to 6 feet of another student for longer than 15 minutes are not considered a close contact if both students are consistently wearing well-fitting masks and other mitigating factors are in place, such as increased ventilation.

NOTIFY & QUARATINE

- Using guidance provided by contact tracers, schools provide official instructions to quarantine for anyone determined to be a close contact.
- Fully vaccinated students or staff who are close contacts do not need to quarantine if they are not showing symptoms.
- Unvaccinated close contacts will be instructed to quarantine for 10 days OR after 7 days if they take a COVID-19 test on or after day 5 and receive a negative result (and have no symptoms)
- Schools will send a notice to all students, families, and staff that a positive case was reported on a particular date at their school.
- All case notifications are posted online, and if the individual was in a classroom, that class will be notified.





SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

LINK to Dr. Brown's Presentation:

"Mental Health Wellness Matters!

An Overview for Parents"

LINK to Parent Outreach
Evaluation Questionnaire*

* Please take a moment to complete this questionnaire for Dr. Brown.

Completed questionnaires can be sent to persephone.brown@k12.dc.gov



Dr. Persephone Brown

Dr. Phyllis Hedlund

TREASURER REPORT

Proposed PTO Operating Budget for SY2021-22

Links to July and August financials

REVENUES	
Spring Gala	50,000
180 Fund	10,000
Fall Fundraiser	5,000
Summer Camp Fair	250
Gear Sales	12,000
Shepherd Cookbook	2,500
Restaurant Nights	500
Fall Photo Fundraiser	2,000
Holiday Wreath Sales	600
Shopping for Shepherd	1,000
Penny Wars	500
TOTAL REVENUE	\$81,350

EXPENSES		
Summer Playdates / First Day of School	500	
Bereavement/Donations	150	
Staff In-service	800	
Staff/Student Snack Attack	2250	
Teacher Supplies & Wishlist Funds	18,200	
Staff Appreciation	2,000	
Principal Supplies & Support	2,500	
School Field Trips	10,000	
School Initiatives (e.g., Basketball Court)	6,200	
Facilities Improvement	1,000	
5 th Grade Promotion	1,000	
Popsicles & Praise	1,000	
Covid Groceries (Earmarked)	858	

EXPENSES (cont'd)		
Spring Gala	25,000	
Jazz Night	1,000	
Fall Fundraiser	1,500	
Field Day	250	
Gear Sales	4,000	
Shepherd Cookbook	1,000	
Coffee & Convo	250	
Walk/Bike to School	100	
Spring Camping Trip	250	
G&A Expenses	2,270	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$81,278	
SUMMARY		
BALANCE FORWARD	\$56,481	
ENDING BALANCE	\$56,553	

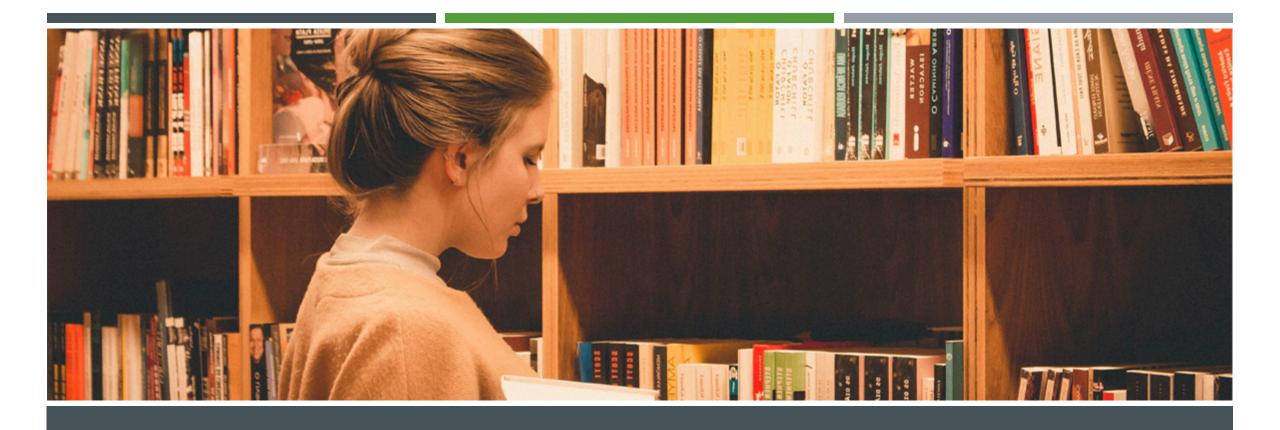
COMMITTEE UPDATES

Communications and Advocacy Fundraising and Grants Family Engagement Curriculum and Staff Support Health and Wellness Facilities Improvement Community Engagement and Public Relations



OTHER UPDATES

- W3DNET
- LSAT
- PAVE
- <u>Teacher Appreciation Program</u> (TAP)
- 180 Fund Donations
- Gear Sales
- Call for Volunteers
- AOB/Q&A



THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!

NEXT PTO MEETING WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 20TH!