

PTO general body meeting 10/15/25

- A. Principal Russell update
 - a. Parent teacher conferences
 - b. Clubs: They will start hopefully week of 10/27/25
 - i. Clubs will be first come first serve
 - ii. Will announce when clubs are active
 - c. Book-o-ween
 - d. Nov 19th is international day
 - e. Early Readers started yesterday (10/14/25)
- B. IB update
 - a. International night
- C. LSAT update
 - a. Candace reviewed what the LSAT is
 - b. PR reviewed how we reviewed the BOY data (plan and teach)
 - c. Reviewed the Early Reader program
 - d. Don't have to be a member to join in to LSAT
- D. Family Engagement update
 - a. Parent faculty kick-ball game 10/16/25 4-5:30pm
 - b. Fundraiser with the Washington spirit team (game 10/18/25)
 - c. Nov 7th social hour (location TBD)
- E. Looking ahead
 - a. Picture day 10/22/24 (wear your uniform)
 - b. PTO SES family photo fundraiser (10/25 and 10/26)
 - c. Fall Fest 10/19/25
- F. TAP
 - a. Ms. Douglass won!
 - b. Call for nominations!
- G. Treasurer updates
 - a. 180 fund
 - i. Core fundraiser
 - ii. We are 45% there!
 - b. Budget update
 - i. WE have bought lockers for the school
 - ii. RP have \$ available
- H. How to stay involved
 - a. Our contact slide
- I. Open floor

- a. Gear team discussed the new Gear
- b. Food at fall fest
- c. Thank you to RP

FATHOM NOTES

Key Takeaways

- Clubs starting week of Oct 26; sign-ups next week (Tue/Wed)
- Fall Fest this Sunday; volunteers needed, pre-sale tickets available
- LSAT reviewing test data to drive instruction and improvement strategies
- 180 Fund at 50% of goal; critical for funding PTO activities

Topics

Upcoming School Events

- Parent-teacher conferences held Oct 9
- Clubs starting week of Oct 26; sign-ups next week (Tue/Wed)
- Bookoween on Oct 31; details forthcoming
- International Night on Nov 9; families encouraged to participate
- Picture Day on Oct 23 (uniform photos)
- Fall Fest on Oct 22; new attractions include rock climbing wall, inflatable corn maze

LSAT (Local School Advisory Team) Updates

- Reviewing beginning-of-year test data to guide instruction
- Exploring ways to enhance Early Readers Program (K-2)
- Considering strategies to improve math scores
- Open to public; meets 3rd Wednesday monthly at 3:45 PM

Family Engagement Initiatives

- Washington Spirit fundraiser game on Oct 18
- Parent vs. Staff Kickball game on Oct 20, 4-5:30 PM
- Monthly social hours planned; next one at Walter Reed Plaza

PTO Fundraising and Budget

- 180 Fund at 50% of goal; core fundraiser for PTO activities
- Family Photo Fundraiser on Oct 25-26
- Budget update: \$22,000+ spent, primarily on teacher support
- Gear sales ongoing; available at Fall Fest

Teacher Appreciation Program (TAP)

- October winner: Ms. Douglas (1st grade), receives \$200 for classroom
- Nominations for November close Oct 31

Next Steps

- Sign up for clubs when links sent out next week
- Volunteer for Fall Fest using Plan Hero link
- Purchase Fall Fest tickets in advance to avoid lines
- Nominate teachers for TAP by Oct 31
- Contribute to 180 Fund if not already done
- Attend upcoming events: Kickball game, Fall Fest, Spirit game