



Hillcrest PTO News

November 2018

PTO Board

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Upcoming Events

11/7 Parent Night Out Pizza & Paint
5:30-8PM

11/9 Packer Backer Day

11/13 Parent Teacher Conferences
& Bookfair 4-8PM

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11/16 Pulaski Spirit Day

11/19 Chili's Fundraiser with
Mrs. Wells 5-8PM

11/21-23 No School
Happy Thanksgiving!

12/3-12/5 Marco's Pizza Box Event

12/4 Cookies & Canvas

12/4 Winter Concert 12:30 & 2:30PM

12/7 Packer Backer Day

12/11 December PTO Meeting 6:15PM

12/14 Pulaski Spirit Day

12/24-1/1 Holiday Break!

Knowledge-A-Thon Update

Wonderful job everyone!! It was so much fun at the KAT to see how excited the kids were to answer the questions and show us how hard they studied. Thank you to the teachers and parents for practicing the questions with your students.

We really appreciate it!!

The day of the KAT ran so smoothly and much more quickly than we anticipated. Thank you to Bob Zemple for organizing this event, to Mrs. Wells for making the flow of students into the testing area run so seamlessly, and to all of the volunteers who helped the students with asking them their questions.

We were able to give out a lot of vouchers for 10 free tickets to Family Fun Night to students who scored 100%. You should have received a certificate with your student's score on it following the event also. If you have any questions about how your student did, please contact Bob at bobzemple@gmail.com We are so excited that we had TWO teachers who had an average of 100% by their students. That's awesome!!! They are Ms. Biffert and Ms. Gray, both in the 1st grade. Both teachers received a \$50 gift card of their choice from our Scrip program. They will both have their name on the plaque in the hallway, their classrooms will take turns displaying the traveling trophy, and both classrooms will receive an extra recess!! Mr. Reinking's 3rd grade class sent out the most pledge requests and he received a \$25 gift card of his choice for his promoting of networking.

Thank you to everyone for your fundraising efforts. We raised \$8,298 with a profit of \$7,614.09 after subtracting expenses. The PTO will be putting these funds towards additional leveled reading books for our classrooms, a shed to store our playground equipment in, and adjustable basketball hoops for our gym.

Family Fun Night

Family Fun Night is Friday, March 1st, 2019. This family fun event has a carnival like atmosphere and your students will have an opportunity to play games and have fun with their friends. You can grab dinner and bid on some pretty awesome silent auction items and try your hand at winning a raffle item. If you have a business or would like to make a donation of an item/service or become a sponsor of the event, please let us know with an email to hillcrestaiderspto@gmail.com. We'd be happy to discuss all of your options.

Restaurant Calendar

Thank you for everyone that joined us at Chipotle on October 23rd! We raised \$310! Our next restaurant fundraiser will be during the WHOLE month of November at Chili's! Be sure to PRINT out the flyer sent home and share it with your family and friends. Chili's will donate 15% of your total back to us. Also, on Monday, November 19th, Mrs. Wells will be the hostess at Chili's for the evening from 5:00-8:00PM. Purchase a physical gift card or electronic gift card and the PTO will earn an additional 11%. We hope to see you there!

Hillcrest PTO's Tip of the Month!

Want to double up on helping out the PTO in a super easy way?? Purchase a gift card for our restaurant fundraisers through Scrip. Then use those gift cards throughout the year! Don't forget that the Chili's restaurant fundraiser is going on throughout the whole month of November so stock up on your gift cards through Scrip now!



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Upcoming PTO Meetings

There will be no PTO meeting in November due to Parent-Teacher Conferences. We hope to see you at our next meeting on December 11th at 6:15PM!

Stay in Touch!

Follow us on Facebook! Be sure to search for our group: **Hillcrest Raiders PTO** and join the group to stay up to date with all the PTO events! Electronic editions of this newsletter will also be posted!



Reading Club Update

The Reading Book Wizards will find out if their class won a CrAZy sOck DaY as well as who the winners are for the individual competition on Friday, November 2nd. Once the winners have picked the House for their class/grade, the Sorting Hat will determine the Houses for the rest of the school on Monday, November 5th.

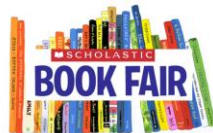
The Sorting Hat may not have yet determined who belongs to which House, but it has determined that the November competition will be a hat day.

The November competition will run November 1-29th. Book Wizards will need to turn their logs in on Friday, November 30th. Have fun and keep discovering the magic of reading!!



Book Fair & Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-Teacher Conferences are November 13th & 15th from 4:00-8:00PM. During this time, our Book Fair will be going on in the gym. There will be several selections for your student to choose from and we accept cash, check and credit card. For each book purchased, your student will receive a ticket to enter a classroom raffle for an assortment of books. More information to follow! We hope to see you there!



Also, a few of the PTO members have been working hard on planning a dinner for teachers during conferences. More information on how to sign up to help for this event will be sent through the office on Monday, November 5th!

Parents' Pizza & Paint Event

Our Pizza & Paint premier night will be on Wednesday, November 7th at the Gallagher's Pizza on West Mason from 5:30-8PM. The cost is \$30 and includes pizza & a pair of hand painted glasses by you, assisted by Ms. Michaud. There is still availability, so reserve your spot today! You can RSVP by contacting the PTO on Facebook or by turning in the flyer that was sent home with your child.

Cookies & Canvas Event

Our annual Cookies & Canvas event is coming soon! This awesome event is for students in 1st through 5th grade and will be on Tuesday, December 4th. The theme for this event is "A Winter's Night" and students will be painting their own Winter's Night canvas under the instruction and guidance of Hillcrest's Art Teacher, Ms. Michaud.



Students will enjoy a cookie & juice break halfway through their painting session too! There will be two sign-up options, Grades 1-3 from 4-5:30PM and Grades 3-5 from 5:45-7:15PM. The cost will be \$27 per student. Keep an eye out for information on how to sign up for this wonderful event during the first week of November!

Bingo

Thank you to all the families who joined us for Bingo night!! It was so great to see the cafeteria packed with so many happy faces. We hope the winners enjoy their prizes and that everyone had a fun time!

SCRIP

We earned \$230 in October, just by doing our normal shopping!! If you haven't started utilizing this easy program, now is the time! Directions on how to sign up were sent home with the newsletter in September, or you can check out the file section on our Facebook group.