



# Hillcrest PTO News

January 2019

## PTO Board

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## Upcoming Events

1/4 4K in Session

1/8 January PTO Meeting 6:15PM

1/15 Panera Fundraiser 4-8PM

1/21 No School!

1/25 4K in Session

1/25 Pulaski Spirit Day

2/12 February PTO Meeting 6:15PM

2/15 Pulaski Spirit Day

2/22 No School!

3/1 Family Fun Night 6-8:30PM



Happy New Year!!! We hope you all had a wonderful holiday break!

## Upcoming PTO Meetings

Our next PTO meeting is on Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 PM! Don't forget that **FREE childcare** will be provided and **FREE pizza** will be served to the kids in the school gym during the PTO meeting. We hope to see you there!

## Family Fun Night

Family Fun Night will be on Friday, March 1st, 2019. This fun family 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. Each classroom will have a theme to create a raffle basket and themes will be shared in the next few weeks to allow deal shoppers to be on high alert! 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](mailto:hillcrestaiderspto@gmail.com). We'd be happy to discuss all of your options!

## Shed Update

We are pleased to share the shed has been installed on the back side of our school. It is the perfect place to store all of our sleds, shovels, brick makers and spring gear. Thanks so much for your support of our fundraising efforts!



## Restaurant Calendar

We had wild success with our Marco's Box Event and raised \$342.01! We loved seeing your students' pizza box photos on our Facebook Group page. Thanks for sharing them and participating in the fundraiser!!

Please join us on Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> from 4-8PM at Panera Bread located at 2627 South Oneida Street for our January restaurant fundraiser. You can show the paper or electronic flyer that will be sent home next week and Hillcrest will earn 20% of your pretax sales amount. Bakery items also qualify...  
hint, hint!

## Hillcrest PTO's Tip of the Month!

Slow down and relax! There have been issues with the school parking lot at the end of the school day. Please remember that students' safety is our number one priority and in order to make that happen, everyone needs to take their time and find patience in the process. Mrs. Wells does a wonderful job of getting everyone where they are supposed to go, so let's support that! Please make sure to give the students plenty of space to walk from the school to the vehicles with their parents/guardians, and take turns in your car leaving the parking lot. If you are in a rush to get somewhere after school, we suggest contacting the office to pick up your child a few minutes early using the main entrance.

## 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!



## Spring Cookies & Canvas Save the Date

Save the date for our next Cookies and Canvas event on Monday, April 8th! Similar to the winter Cookies & Canvas, Hillcrest's Art Teacher, Ms. Michaud, will be teaching a spring themed art project for students in 1st through 5th grade! Keep a lookout in future newsletters for more information about this awesome event!



## Reading Club Update

The current reading challenge for the Book Wizards is to read for 6 hours (360 minutes) and students will receive one free admission ticket to Six Flags. Did your child not have time to read all 6 hours over winter break? No worries!! **The due date for the logs has been extended to Tuesday, January 8th.** Please make sure your Book Wizard is using the log that was sent home as this is the required log for the Six Flags reading program. January's challenge will be to read daily to win a hot cocoa bar party.



Everyone who turns in a log will be entered into a drawing to win the party for their whole class. It will run January 9th-31st. The winner will be announced Monday, February 4th. Keep reading and discovering the magical places reading can take you!!

## Box Top News

There is still time to turn in box tops for the months of December and January! The current Box Top challenge is called "Get Cozy with Box Tops" and will run through Friday, January 18th. The classroom that collects the most box tops will enjoy an extra recess and hot cocoa party.

Thanks to everyone's hard work on collecting box tops, Hillcrest will be receiving a \$1,000 check this month!



## Bylaws

We've updated the bylaws for the PTO. You can check them out in the file section of our Facebook Group. If you have any questions, please contact someone on the executive board.

## Grant Update

Many of you may have heard we applied for a grant through the Packer's Organization in May of this year. Unfortunately, we did learn we were not selected. However, we did receive notice of being awarded a \$500 Good Neighbor Grant through State Farm. If you see or learn of grant opportunities you think Hillcrest PTO would qualify for, please send us an email at [hillcrest RAIDERSPTO@gmail.com](mailto:hillcrest RAIDERSPTO@gmail.com) so we can check it out!

## SCRIP

Start the New Year by using Scrip to do all your 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. Since the start of this school year, we've raised \$1,215.99!