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President's Message

Hello, Carrolltowne Community, and welcome to another year at our awesome school. If you are new to this school, you will find that our PTA maintains an active presence in the school, providing many social events and enrichment opportunities that contribute to the community of Carrolltowne. The PTA's Board of Directors met in August to discuss our plans for the kids this year, including:

- Outdoor movie nights (fall and spring)
- Trunk or Treat (October)
- Reading with the Principal (throughout the year)
- Birthday books (monthly)
- Fun Run (TBD)
- A Carrolltowne Players production (spring)
- Assemblies (throughout the year)
- The science fair (spring)
- The yearbook (fifth grade, throughout the year)

The Carrolltowne PTA welcomes any and all help. You can help for an hour or ten, whatever your schedule permits. If you would like to be part of planning these activities, please reach out to any of our committees. You can find their email addresses later in this newsletter or online at http://carrolltownepta.com/. Also, we are on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/carrolltownepta.

Finally, please consider joining our PTA. Your support makes these events possible and further builds the unique community at Carrolltowne. Single memberships are \$9 for the year; double memberships are \$14. You can become a member by going to https://carrolltownepta.membershiptoolkit.com/login-form?r=%2Fstore%2F7119.

We look forward to working with you and your children this year!

Niki Guinan, PTA President

PTA Committees

- Birthday Books Program (Mindy Stiffler, chair): birthdaybooks@carrolltownepta.com
- **Box Tops and Business Products (Karena Wickersham, chair):** businessproducts@carrolltownepta.com
- Community Service (Karena Wickersham, chair): communityservice@carrolltownepta.com
- Cultural Arts/Diversity (Lindsay Holbig, chair): cultural@carrolltownepta.com
- Fun Run (Krista Porter and Megan Sines, chairs): funrun@carrolltownepta.com
- Hospitality (Bekka Galinat and Lizz Miller, chairs): hospitality@carrolltownepta.com
- Literacy (Jen Parisi, chair): literacy@carrolltownepta.com
- Membership (Courtney Risty and Kim Milby, chairs): membership@carrolltownepta.com
- Miscellaneous Fundraisers (Jessica Reinartz, chair): fundraising@carrolltownepta.com
- Performing Arts (Megan Daniels and Niki Guinan, chairs): performingarts@carrolltownepta.com
- School Spirit (Kelly McGonigal and Kristie McCorkill, chairs): spirit@carrolltownepta.com
- STEM (Alicia Gipe, chair): stem@carrolltownepta.com
- Sunshine (Krista Tolentino, chair): sunshine@carrolltownepta.com
- Website (Wendy Janes, chair): webmaster@carrolltownepta.com
- Yearbook (Kristen Morinelli, chair): yearbook@carrolltownepta.com



PTA Meetings This Year

- November 4, 7 p.m.
- February 3, 7 p.m.
- April 7, 7 p.m.
- June 2, 7 p.m.



2021-2022 PTA Executive Committee

President:Niki Guinan president@carrolltownepta.com

> Vice-President: Megan Daniels vicepresident@carrolltownepta.com

> > Treasurer: Scott McCadden treasurer@carrolltownepta.com





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MISPLACED SOMETHING?

Rocky Says, "Check The Lost & Found!"



Spirit Nights



Monday, 9/20 at E.W. Beck's Wednesday 10/13 at Nora's Wednesday 10/20 at Chick-Fil-A.



Business Products

The PTA Business Products Committee will be holding a Box Tops Contest at our November 4th PTA Meeting. Winner will receive a \$25 Martins Gift Card. Must be present at meeting and show your Box Tops App to win. To download the Box Tops App, go to btfe.com.





Birthday Books

The Birthday Book committee is excited to be back this year (when approved) to visit your child in their homeroom and share the gift of literacy! During the month of their birthday, each child will have the opportunity to choose a grade-level-appropriate book to keep, compliments of the PTA!

*Those with summer birthdays will choose their books during the spring. Happy reading!





Hospitality

Greetings from the Hospitality Committee! We are super excited for a fantastic school year, as well as for the many opportunities to celebrate the wonderful CES staff that make our school the best place for our children to be! We kicked off the year with a welcome back breakfast for the returning staff, and will soon be gearing up to honor the custodial and maintenance personnel, bus drivers/assistants, and lunchroom staff throughout September and October. If you are interested in helping with any of these, please reach out to us at hospitality@carrolltownepta.com or join or Facebook Hospitality group at



https://www.facebook.com/groups/973142949839480. Keep your eyes peeled for additional hospitality events throughout the year, and best of luck with your return to school!

Fundraising

Hi Carrolltowne families! I hope you all had a fun-filled summer and are ready for a successful school year! Fundraising has lots of spirit nights and traditional fundraisers to look forward to this year. Stay tuned for flyers and additional information coming out each month. Make sure you sync the PTA calendar with your phone so that you can stay up-to-date on all of our monthly fundraisers and activities!

If you have any suggestions for fundraisers that you'd like to see offered, or feel inclined to volunteer your time, the fundraising committee is always looking for additional ideas and helpers! Reach out to us if you are interested!

Come out & Join the

CARROLLTOWNE ELEMENTARY PTA

in support of our fundraiser/spirit night at:

E.W. BECK'S

7565 Main St. Sykesville, MD



DINE-IN & CARRY OUT!

MONDAY, September 20, 2021

From 11:30am until 9:00pm!

Eat Local! Support Local Businesses!

SHOW THIS FLYER AND/OR MENTION THIS FUNDRAISER and E.W. Becks will donate 10% back to our school!

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BOX TOPS CLIPS

You may occasionally find an old Box Tops clip on packages in stores. You can still clip them and send them to school, as long as each clip has a valid expiration date.





Dear Families,

During the ups and downs of the past couple of school years, one thing is certain: teachers and students need more help than ever before. Box Tops for Education is a fast and easy way for you to support our school.

The Box Tops program has been around for over 25 years, and it really can make a difference. In fact, Box Tops for Education has helped give almost **one billion dollars to schools since 1996**. In 2019, the program evolved to become digital, giving participants the ability to earn for any school across the country with just the touch of a button.

And now, Box Tops is building on its longstanding commitment to education by giving participants an easy way to help schools in need. The Box Tops app recently added functionality that allows you to search for schools that could use a little extra help, so you can help give students in low-income schools the opportunity to succeed.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS: Buy participating products and use the Box Tops mobile app to scan your store receipt. The app identifies eligible products and automatically adds Box Tops to your designated school's earnings online. Even if you're shopping online or doing grocery pickup, you can still submit your digital or email receipt and earn Box Tops. Twice a year, our school gets a check!

Learn more about how to submit digital receipts at BTFE.COM/EMAILGROCERYRECEIPTS

See a list of participating products at BTFE.COM/PRODUCTS

Your earnings may seem small, but they really do add up. The more people that participate, the bigger the impact we can make. So let's give our teachers the support they need and give more kids the opportunity to dream. Little by little, we can help make a big difference.





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