

# The Cardinal Communicator

A Newsletter of  
Carrolltowne Elementary

**PTA**

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## President's Message

Carrolltowne Families –

Spring is sprung here at Carrolltowne! I am so excited for longer days, warmer weather, trees blooming, and hopefully the end of what feels like a never-ending cold and flu season (a parent can dream, right?)

March has been a busy month for the PTA. Carrolltowne Players put on their production of Finding Nemo Jr to almost 1400 members of the community, and it was a huge success! I received so many compliments on the amazing talent of our students and appreciation of their hard work and efforts. Congratulations to the entire cast and crew!

Our hospitality chair, Kayla Solinsky, stepped up to chair the Cultural Arts Fair on March 16th after the former chair had to step down at the last minute. She did a great job with bringing outside vendors into the fair to share information about different cultures along with the student presentations, and she already has plans for next year. Thank you, Kayla!

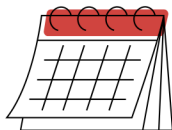
The Spring Carnival is March 26th at Stratosphere. The committee has been hard at work planning carnival games and putting together silent baskets. Hope to see you all there!

I think I speak for everyone at the school and in the community when I say we are all looking forward to a much-needed Spring Break after the carnival. Hope everyone is able to enjoy some time with their families and friends before we head into the final stretch of the year.

Happy Spring!  
Becky Seitz

## Future PTA Meetings

- April 4, 7 p.m.
- June 6, 7 p.m.



## Membership

Parents/Guardians, Teachers, Staff, Administrators,  
Grandparents

Together we make a difference!

<https://carrolltowneespta.memberhub.com/store>  
Teacher/Staff, \$5 -- Indv. Membership, \$10 --  
Double Membership, \$15

### Events & Dates To Remember

- March 26th - 5-9pm, Spring Carnival - Stratosphere
- March 28th & 29th - CCPS Schools/Offices Closed
- April 1st & 2nd - CCPS Schools/Offices Closed
- April 9th - 2hr 45min Early Dismissal
- April 9th - Chick-fil-A Spirit Day
- April 24th - Taichi Bubble Tea Spirit Day



MISPLACED  
SOMETHING?

Rocky Says,  
"Check  
The Lost &  
Found!"



### Performing Arts

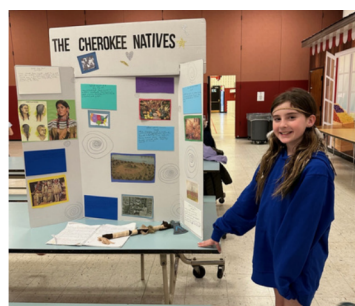


Carrolltowne Players

Thank you to all who came out to support the cast and crew in our production of Finding Nemo Jr! The students love seeing all their friends, families, teachers and administrators in the audience. Our journey through the Big Blue World has ended; who knows what adventures we will go on next year??

### Cultural Arts

We had a great turnout, wonderful student presentations, and a fantastic Russian Dance. Thank you to everyone who could celebrate with us!



## Fundraising Committee

### FUNDRAISING UPCOMING EVENTS

Thank you so much to our community partners!

Pizza Boli's

CANCELLED since the store is closed.



Chick Fil A Night

April 9, 12pm-8pm. Mobile, drive thru and in store orders. Be sure to use code CES2024 when mobile ordering and mention spirit day when ordering in person.

Taichi Bubble Tea

(in shopping center with Panera)

April 24, 11am-9pm. Order by phone, online or in store.

Mention Carrolltowne PTA when ordering.



Finally, direct donations can be given by using the link:

[https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=RXPD4W6AJMLAL&source=qr](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=RXPD4W6AJMLAL&source=qr)

Again, we cannot thank you enough for your support!

## Community Service

Thank you to all the families who donated to the PJ Drive! We collected 45 pairs of pajamas! They will all be donated to Casey Cares, who distributes them to critically ill children in area hospitals. We couldn't have done it without you!



## Spring Carnival

Spring carnival at Stratosphere Social,  
March 26th from 5-9!

Join us and have a fun family night out!

CES PTA will get a percentage of all sales  
(except game cards).



## Yearbook Committee

Get your 2023-2024 Carrolltowne  
Elementary Yearbook

Softcover style is \$26.00

Yearbooks are available to purchase  
for those in pre-K through 5th Grade!

<https://shop.yearbookmarket.com/carrolltowneelementary>

Don't miss out, order yours today!



## Advocacy

CCPS Superintendent Dr. Cynthia McCabe will host a community town hall on Blueprint on Monday, March 25, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Carroll County Career and Technology Center, 1229 Washington Road in Westminster.

To view the Feb 26th town hall recording:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JNeNuspYXQw>

Stay informed; understand how Blueprint will affect your student(s) and schools.

Advocate on behalf of your student by contacting CCPS Board of Education, Commissioners of Carroll County, and State Legislators to express how critical it is our schools receive proper funding for Blueprint.

## 2023-2024 PTA Executive Committee

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**Thursdays  
5pm-7pm**



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Sykesville, MD, 21784**



**Saturdays,  
2pm-4pm**



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Westminster, MD 21157**