

# The Cardinal Communicator

A Newsletter of  
Carrolltowne Elementary

**PTA**

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## President's Message

Dear Carrolltowne Families –

It's the start of another great year here at Carrolltowne! I am so excited to start my second year as PTA President. We are looking forward to the many fun and exciting events the PTA is planning and hope to see you at many of those.

We have already had two great events put on by the Hospitality Committee - the Back to School breakfast for teachers and the Boo Hoo/Woo Hoo social for kindergarten parents on the first day of school. We also had our first restaurant night of the year on at Chik Fil A and we have an upcoming night at E.W. Becks. If you can, please support the PTA by eating out these nights as we get a small portion of the sales and those small portions really add up!

Our Spirit Committee has already hosted two Popsicles on the Playground events that had fantastic turnouts. These events are great opportunities for the school community to come together – who doesn't love starting off the school year with a popsicle? Their next event will be Trunk or Treat on October 25, with registration opening on October 7.

Our annual Fun Run will be November 7 (with a rain date of November 8) and pledges will start on October 1. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we are excited to see if we can beat last year's total!

If you haven't had a chance yet to check out our gorgeous new playground, I encourage you to stop by on a weekend or after school one day. The children love it and I am so proud that the PTA was able to make this happen for the school in partnership with the administration. It could not have been possible without the participation of the entire Carrolltowne community and its just another reason why I love Carrolltowne!

If you have any questions, you can reach me at [president@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:president@carrolltownepta.com). I look forward to working with all of you throughout the school year. Go Cardinals!

Becky Seitz

## Performing Arts



The Carrolltowne Players are happy to announce that our production this year will be Disney's Alice in Wonderland Jr.!

The play will be March 7-8, with auditions in late November. A parent interest meeting will be held in October (date TBD) and we strongly encourage you to attend if your child is interested in trying out.

Please join as we travel down the rabbit hole with Alice and all the other timeless characters! Email [carrolltowneplayers@gmail.com](mailto:carrolltowneplayers@gmail.com) with any questions.



## Fun Run



Our "Rocky's Superheroes" Fun Run fundraiser will kick off on 10/1.

Parents will be able to register their student(s) at [MYBOOSTER.COM](http://MYBOOSTER.COM) at that time; every student that registers will receive a prize! More details and contests to come as we get closer.

The Fun Run is scheduled for Thursday, 11/7 with a rain date of Friday, 11/8.

The free Fun Run t-shirt Google Form for students and staff will be sent out soon and will accept responses through Wednesday, 10/16.

The Fun Run Committee is looking for business's interested in sponsoring the Fun Run. We will have not have the lap marker on the back of the t-shirts that will allow for the business logos to be printed larger. Students wear their shirts around the community, which will promote those business's who sponsor. The pricing for a large ad is \$300 and a regular ad is \$200. The deadline for sponsorship is Monday, 10/14.

If you are interested in helping out on Fun Run day, please complete the required volunteer training now. It's super easy, click the [link](#), a little reading and fill out the form! This needs to be done at least 2 weeks in advance, so now is a great time to get it done for the school year!

Please reach to [funrun@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:funrun@carrolltownepta.com) with any questions.  
Thank you for your support!

## Membership

Parents/Guardians, Teachers, Staff, Administrators, Grandparents  
We need YOU join our PTA.  
Together we make a difference!



<https://carrolltownepta.memberhub.com/store>

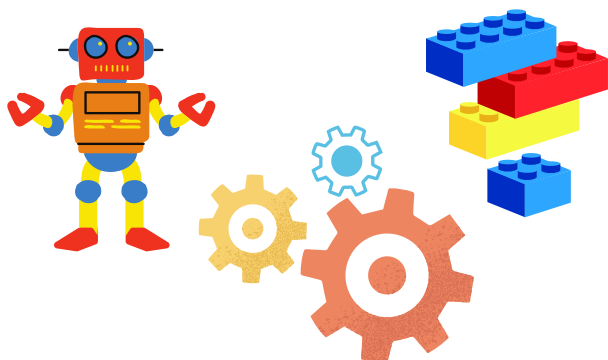
Teacher/Staff, \$5 -- Indv. Membership, \$10 -- Double Membership, \$15

## STEM

Are you interested in helping plan STEM events or activities for our students? The STEM committee is always looking for help and innovative ideas to engage our students!

The STEM Committee currently helps support and sponsor two Lego Explorer Teams. These teams are coached by parent volunteers. If your student is interested in participating on a Lego Explore Team. We have a limited number of opening in our two current teams but STEM is always looking to expand and add more teams if we have parent coached.

Please email [stem@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:stem@carrolltownepta.com) for more details on Lego Explorer Team, Coaching, or info on planning STEM events.



## Spirit

The Carrolltowne PTA Spirit Wear is open!  
Order now through Friday, September 27th,  
so don't miss out!

Purchase shirts, sweatshirts, and other fun Carrolltowne gear by clicking the link listed below!

Items will be ready by mid-October and can be shipped to your home for a fee or you can pick them up from the vendor, Big Dipper Graphics, right here in Eldersburg (2030 Liberty Road).

[https://www.bigdippergraphics.com/  
carrolltowne-elementary-school](https://www.bigdippergraphics.com/carrolltowne-elementary-school)

Questions? Email  
[spirit@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:spirit@carrolltownepta.com)



## Fundraising Committee

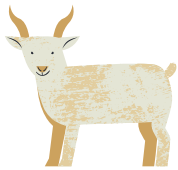
### UPCOMING EVENTS:



Wednesday, September 25th 11:30am-9pm Becks restaurant fundraiser.  
Make sure to tell them you are here for the Carrolltowne fundraiser.



Every Friday and Saturday in October - Red Barn Ranch Fall activities.  
See attached flier. Use code **CARROLLTOWNE** when purchasing tickets.



October 4th-31st Buppert's Fall Fundraiser.  
Be sure to show the attached flier. The flier can be used more than once.



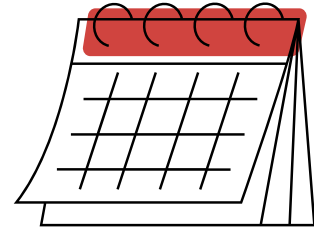
October 8th - Chick Fil A restaurant night. 12pm-8pm.  
Use code CES2024 for mobile orders or mention spirit day when ordering online.



October 21st - Chipotle Restaurant Night. 5pm-9pm.  
Mention the fundraiser when dining in person or use code CWV62ZL for mobile orders.

## Events & Dates To Remember

- Now-September 27th - Spirit Wear Sale
- September 25th - Beck's Restaurant Night
- October 1st - Fun Run Registration Begins
- October 4th - Buppert's Fall Fundraiser Begins
- October 4th - Red Barn Ranch Fundraiser Begins
- October 7th - Trunk-or-Treat Registration Opens
- October 8th - Chick-Fil-A Restaurant Night
- October 17th - Teacher Requested Conferences
- October 18th - Schools Closed; Professional Development
- October 21st - Chipotle Restaurant Night
- October 24th - Picture Day
- October 25th - Trunk-or-Treat, 6:45pm-8:15pm



## PTA Committees

- Birthday Books Program:  
[birthdaybooks@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:birthdaybooks@carrolltownepta.com)
- Community Service:  
[communityservice@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:communityservice@carrolltownepta.com)
- Cultural Arts/Diversity:  
[cultural@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:cultural@carrolltownepta.com)
- Fundraising:  
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- Sunshine: [sunshine@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:sunshine@carrolltownepta.com)
- Website: [webmaster@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:webmaster@carrolltownepta.com)
- Yearbook: [yearbook@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:yearbook@carrolltownepta.com)

## 2023-2024 PTA Executive Committee

**President: Becky Seitz**  
[president@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:president@carrolltownepta.com)

**Vice-President: Kelly McGonigal**  
[vicepresident@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:vicepresident@carrolltownepta.com)

**Treasurer: Siobhan Blazak**  
[treasurer@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:treasurer@carrolltownepta.com)

**Secretary: Bryanna Parish**  
[secretary@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:secretary@carrolltownepta.com)



## Future PTA Meetings

- November 7, 7 pm
- February 6, 7 pm
- April 3, 7 pm
- June 5, 7 pm



**FIND US ON FACEBOOK!**  
Search for:  
Carrolltowne Elementary  
PTA Community

## **FALL HARVEST FUNDRAISER**

**Buppert's Farm is proud to support  
Carrolltowne Elementary PTA!**

### **GIVING 10% OF YOUR PURCHASE**

Fresh produce, Fall Decorations and Hayride to  
**\*\*From October 4<sup>th</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>\*\***  
**\*\*Show this flier on your phone \*\***

#### **Bring your family to the farm!**

Hayrides to the pumpkin patch,  
Beginning September 28 & 29  
Every Sat. & Sun. AND Oct. 18th  
Order online to reserve tickets:  
Bupperts.com

#### **Available/open all month:**

- Photo-op ~ Farm murals & Pumpkin Wall
- Corn maze
- Pygmy goats to feed
- Picnic area
- Fall Harvest Decorations:  
Pumpkins, Gourds, Cinderella/Heirloom  
Pumpkins, White Pumpkins, Mums, Pansies  
Straw, Corn Stalks, and more!

#### **Sustainable Agriculture!**

Apples, Fresh pressed Cider, Apple  
Butter, Farm Fresh Eggs, Broccoli,  
Kale, Collards, Cabbage,  
Cauliflower, Bell Peppers, Butternut  
Squash and Winter Squash, Sweet  
potatoes, and much more!

**Fresh baked Pies, Breads, Cookies  
and Muffins!**

**Local, organic, pasture raised  
meats.**

**Perennial & herb plants on sale;  
think now for next year!**

## **Buppert's Farm**

Doran's Chance Farm, Inc.

**6914 Ridge Rd, Marriottsville, MD 21104**

**410-795-6815**

[www.Bupperts.com](http://www.Bupperts.com) or [www.facebook.com/bupperts](http://www.facebook.com/bupperts)

We offer farm fresh fruits & vegetables all summer long!

We practice sustainable, natural farming methods.

**Thank you for Supporting Local Agriculture!!!**

~~~~~SHOP ANYTIME FROM October 4<sup>th</sup> through Oct 31<sup>st</sup>~~~~~

**\*\*\*Show this flier on your phone to get credit for your school\*\*\***

Total Purchase (less tax) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
10% donation \_\_\_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ CarrolltownePTA '24



# RED BARN RANCH



175 KLEES MILL RD



## FALL FEST

Our annual fall festival has all the bells and whistles from tractor rides, pumpkin picking, and a corn pit, to a petting zoo, barrel train, food vendors! Come for some fall fun!

### DATES & HOURS

Every Saturday in October from 11am-3pm

### PRICING

\$12 per person (online)  
\$15 per person (at the door)  
Ropes Course Pass: \$25 per person  
Season Pass: \$35 per person  
Free Admission for 2 & Under

SCAN ME



## FILMS ON THE FIELD

Bring along your friends & family, a picnic blanket, and get ready to enjoy a movie on our gigantic 40-foot screen!

### DATES & HOURS

Every Friday Night in October  
Movie Starts at 7:30pm

### PRICING

\$8 per person

### CONCESSIONS

Popcorn, sodas, and water will be available for purchase

### B.Y.O.

Picnic blankets, folding chairs, etc.

## CAMP CHAOS HAUNTED TRAIL

Chaos has come to camp and we are hoping you join us for the immersive haunt.

### DATE & HOURS

Every Saturday Night in October  
Chaos begins 7:30pm

### PRICING

\$20 Pre Sale  
\$25 Day of Haunt



## CARROLLTOWNE E.S.

Use code "Carrolltowne" for 15% of ticket proceeds of the **ALL EVENTS** to go to your school's PTA.





CARROLLTOWNE PTA INVITES STUDENTS AND FAMILIES TO:

# TRUNK OR TREAT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25TH 2024

6:45-8:15PM

CES PARKING LOT

ADMISSION \$25 PER CAR

**6:45 PARKING LOT OPEN TO CARS**

**7:15 TRUNK OR TREAT BEGINS**

(LOT WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC)

**8:00 TRUNK AWARDS\***

**8:15 EVENT ENDS\***

\*ESTIMATED TIMES

- REGISTRATION REQUIRED TO ATTEND.
- All children participating **MUST** arrive in a registered car.
- NO WALK UPS ALLOWED.
- All cars must hand out candy.
- All children must be supervised by an adult.
- This is not a drop off event.

AWARDS:

-SCARIEST

-BEST THEME

-MOST INTERACTIVE

-MOST CREATIVE

-CUTEST

Registration for the event will open on 10/7 at 6pm  
and will close on 10/18 at 6pm or when the event is full.

Space is LIMITED, so register today!

Register for the event here:

<https://forms.gle/p3FvbnFw73JhhziMA>

A waitlist will form once all spots have been filled.



**What is a Trunk or Treat?** It is a safe and fun event for children and families to dress up and trick or treat. Kids will trick or treat from the trunks of the vehicles parked in the CES parking lot. Once the event starts, vehicles will not be allowed to move on or off the lot until the event is over. All families participating in the Trunk or Treat must hand out candy. A final head count of participants will be emailed on 10/21/24. You can choose to decorate your car, but it is not required. Participants will bring their own candy to hand out and decorations for their car. Non-food items such as glow sticks, bubbles, or small trinkets may be distributed in place of candy. Questions? Email [spirit@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:spirit@carrolltownepta.com)

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In accordance with CCPS policy, the use of alcohol, drugs, or tobacco products is strictly prohibited on school property. If anyone in your group is found to be in violation of this policy, you will be asked to leave and your actions could result in future events to be cancelled by administration.



# EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL

LITTLE BY LITTLE WE CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE.

The Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

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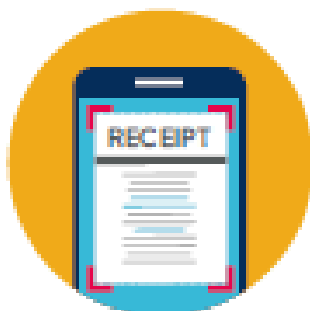
## HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:



### BUY

#### BOX TOPS PRODUCTS

You can find Box Tops on hundreds of products throughout the store.



### SCAN

#### YOUR RECEIPT

Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



### EARN

#### CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL

Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated online.

## SHOPPING FOR GROCERIES ONLINE?

You can still earn Box Tops for your school with your e-receipt!

See how at [BTFE.com/emailgroceryreceipts](https://www.btfe.com/emailgroceryreceipts)



## 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.

SEE PRODUCTS & LEARN MORE ABOUT  
THE BOX TOPS APP AT [BTFE.COM](https://www.btfe.com)

DON'T HAVE THE BOX TOPS  
APP YET? DOWNLOAD IT NOW:



# Cub Scout Pack 110

Join us!

For our 1st den meeting  
of the year!

September 18 at 7pm

Carrolltowne Cafeteria



## Boys and Girls Grades K-5

### September

- 21st at noon  
Hiking at Pretty  
Boy Reservoir

### October

- 2nd and 16th Den  
Meetings 7pm  
Carrolltowne
- 11-13th Camping at  
Charlotte's Quest

### November

- 6th and 20th Den  
Meetings 7pm  
Carrolltowne
- 11th Veteran's Day  
8:45am Flag Raising  
Ceremony
- 16th Hiking at Liberty  
Reservoir at noon



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