

# The Cardinal Communicator

A Newsletter of  
Carrolltowne Elementary

**PTA**

*everychild.one voice.*



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## President's Message

Dear Carrolltowne Families -

Happy October! I hope everyone is able to take advantage of this beautiful fall weather we have been having lately – enjoy that sunshine while you can! Here at the PTA, we are gearing up for the PTA “busy season” between Trunk or Treat, the Fun Run, Holiday Shop, and the start of the play.

The Fun Run will be November 7 (rain date November 8.) This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we need the support of as many Carrolltowne families as possible so that we can continue to fund the PTA events that everyone has come to expect from the PTA. Even though we are no longer actively fundraising for a playground, our typical PTA activities require funding. For example, last week the PTA provided dinner for the teachers before the first round of parent teacher conferences, we have already scheduled the mobile Science Lab for the spring for the school, and we helped offset the cost of the first grade field trip to Toby’s in Columbia to see Winnie the Pooh. We also pay for the school’s BrainPop subscription, we are buying new projectors for various classrooms, and we are offering a Veteran’s Day Breakfast for veterans on November 11. We cannot do all these of these activities without the support of the Carrolltowne community through fundraising – from the restaurant nights fundraisers to the Fun Run. We know everyone wants the community events and school support to continue – so please come out to support our students at the Fun Run and sign up on [mybooster.com](https://mybooster.com) to raise pledges! Every penny raised helps reach our goal.

We also have two fundraisers running through the end of October – our fall Bupperts fundraiser and our Red Barn Ranch fundraiser. These are perfect opportunities to support Carrolltowne while also enjoying your favorite fall activities, from pumpkin picking to a haunted trail!

I wanted to clarify PTA communications – this newsletter is the primary source of PTA information, with the weekly email being a supplement/reminder to the newsletter. While we do use the Facebook group to communicate, everything shared in that group is also shared in the newsletter (this is because we know that not everyone is on Facebook or may not be as active on social media as others.) I know we all get a lot of emails, but I encourage everyone to read the monthly newsletter as well as the weekly emails, even if you don’t want to join the Facebook group. This is the best way to ensure that you are aware of upcoming events and registration deadlines etc.

Thank you all for your support and involvement so far this year!

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 Carrolltowne Players will hold auditions for Alice in Wonderland Jr on November 19th and 20th. Every student who wishes to audition must be registered. The registration link will go out on November 1st.

Please reach out to [carrolltowneplayers@gmail.com](mailto:carrolltowneplayers@gmail.com) with any questions.

## Membership

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

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

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



## Future PTA Meetings

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

## Birthday Books

The Birthday Books committee is back this year and has begun visiting classrooms to giving out books to students!



During the month of their birthday, your child will be offered the chance to select a book to keep. Students with summer birthdays will be given their books in the Spring! We hope your child enjoys their gift!



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

## Community Service



Carrolltowne cares about our community!

Our PTA has a Community Service Committee to provide you with opportunities to support children and families in our greater community. It is a great way for students and their families to spread kindness.

### Fall Donation Drive: Carroll County Food Sunday

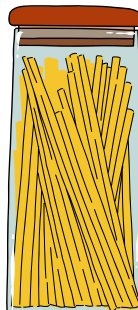
We are collecting canned food and other non-perishable items for Carroll County Food Sunday, a local non-profit organization of neighbors helping neighbors meet their emergency and supplemental food needs. Food should be sealed and have a best by date in 2025 or later.

**When:** Monday, October 28th through Wednesday, November 13th

**Where:** In marked boxes inside the front entrance or at the Fun Run

#### Items to Donate:

- Canned soup / stew
- Canned pasta
- Canned chili
- Canned meals
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Cereal
- Pancake mix
- Pancake syrup
- Canned or bagged beans (red and black)





## Fun Run



Rocky's Superheroes FUN RUN is just a few weeks away! Please make sure you have registered your student(s) at MYBOOSTER.COM. Every student who is registered will receive an awesome superheroes key chain!! Prizes for those students registered by Wednesday, October 23rd at 9pm will be delivered to the school on Friday, October 25th. Please note it might take teachers a few days to distribute them.

FUN RUN Volunteers - If you're interested in helping out during the FUN RUN, please make sure you have completed the required volunteer training for the 2024-2025 school year. The approval process takes up to 5 business days and you need to receive your approval prior to Thursday, November 7th. You can access the training at the link here:

<https://www.carrollk12.org/operation/human-resources/volunteer-program>

We will be sending out a link for volunteer signups this week!

FUN RUN T-Shirts - Thank you to everyone who submitted the tshirt form. T-shirts will be delivered to the school the week of November 4th for homeroom teachers to distribute.

Service Hours Opportunity - We will be looking for student volunteers to chalk the walk the evening before the FUN RUN (weather permitting). More details to come soon!

Lastly, be on the lookout for weekend challenges and other chances to win prizes!

Thanks for your support!  
Megan Sines and Kyle Emhoff  
Fun Run Committee

### 2023-2024 PTA Executive Committee

**President: Becky Seitz**  
president@carrolltownepta.com

**Vice-President: Kelly McGonigal**  
vicepresident@carrolltownepta.com

**Treasurer: Siobhan Blazak**  
treasurer@carrolltownepta.com

**Secretary: Bryanna Parish**  
secretary@carrolltownepta.com



## Fundraising Committee

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

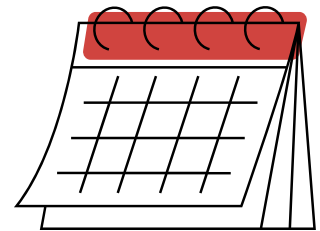
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 12-8 PM - CHICK FIL A**  
Dine In, Drive Thru or Mobile Order. Mention SPIRIT DAY or use code CES2024 when mobile ordering!



**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25 - MOD PIZZA**  
Show the attached flyer for in person orders or use code MODGIVES25 for mobile orders!

## Events & Dates To Remember

- October 23rd - Play Interest Meeting, 7pm CES Media Center
- October 24th - Picture Day
- October 25th - Trunk-or-Treat, 6:45pm-8:15pm
- October 31st - Buperts Farm Fundraiser Ends
- October 31st - Red Barn Fundraiser Ends
- November 5th - CCPS Closed
- November 6th - End of Marking Period, 2hr 45 min Early Dismissal
- November 7th - PTA Meeting, 7pm in CES Media Center
- November 25th - MOD Pizza Fundraising Night
- November 27th - 2hr 45 min Early Dismissal
- November 28th-29th - CCPS Closed Thanksgiving



## **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!



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.





FUNDRAISING



# RAISE SOME DOUGH

**JOIN MOD IN SUPPORTING**

**ORGANIZATION NAME:** CARROLLTOWNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA

**FUNDRAISER DATE:** NOVEMBER 25, 2024

Bring in this flyer, or order online through the MOD app or website using the provided coupon and MOD will donate 25% of your bill to support this great work!

**ADDRESS:** 6400 RIDGE RD, BUILDING B, SUITE 10  
SYKESVILLE, MD 21784

**FUNDRAISER CODE:** MODGIVES25

Offer valid only on the date(s) and at the MOD location identified on this flyer. Offer valid for dine-in, take out, or delivery when ordered through the MOD app or website only. For online or in-app orders, please use the code MODGIVES25. For delivery, customer must live within delivery boundary. Only non-profit organizations and non-profit schools are eligible to participate in the MOD fundraising program. MOD will donate 25% of food and beverage sales to the organization. Tax, gift cards and retail sales are excluded from the donation. Offer void if the flyer is distributed in or near the restaurant. For more information about fundraising, visit <https://modpizza.com/fundraisers/>

# 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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FOR THE  
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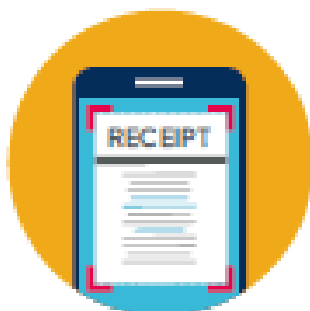
## HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:



### 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:

