**MWMS PTA Newsletter**

**Friday, October 26, 2018**

**From the PTA**

We at the PTA are excited to continue supporting the MWMS community in any way we can, and we’d welcome YOUR HELP and YOUR IDEAS!

Warmly,

YOUR MWMS PTA

**Stay Connected with MWMS PTA**

PTA Email: [mayfieldwoodspta@gmail.com](mailto:mayfieldwoodspta@gmail.com)

PTA Website: <http://www.mayfieldwoodspta.weebly.com>

PTA Website Questions/Comments: [mwmsptaweb@gmail.com](mailto:mwmsptaweb@gmail.com)

PTA Newsletter Submissions: [mwmsptaweb@gmail.com](mailto:mwmsptaweb@gmail.com)

PTA Facebook Page: [MWMS PTA Facebook Page](https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=mwms%20pta)

PTA Twitter Account: [Mayfield Woods MS PTA](https://twitter.com/search?q=mayfield%20woods%20ms%20pta&src=typd)

MWMS Music Boosters Email: [mwmsmusicboosters@gmail.com](https://twitter.com/search?q=mayfield%20woods%20ms%20pta&src=typd)

**Save the Dates**

11/2: Fall Dance, 7:00 PM

11/12-11/20 Scholastic Book Fair

11/14: PTA Meeting, 7:00 PM

11/15: Uno’s Doughraiser

11/16: Krispy Kreme Orders Due

11/29: School Play (Annie), Cafeteria 7:00 PM

11/30: School Play (Annie), Cafeteria 7:00 PM

1/9: PTA Meeting, 7:00 PM

2/13: PTA Meeting, 7:00 PM

3/13: PTA Meeting, 7:00 PM

4/10: PTA Meeting, 7:00 PM

5/8: PTA Meeting, 7:00 PM

6/12: PTA Meeting, 7:00 PM

**PTA News**

**PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING THE PTA!!!**

Thank you to everyone who has already joined the PTA this year! We have not yet reached our 2018-19 membership goal, so those of you who haven’t joined, please consider doing so. Your fees/donations are needed in order for MWMS PTA to continue providing enriching programs and support for our school and community.

***Membership is only $10 for one household member or $15 for two household members.*** *(No additional commitment required.)*

Did you know that last year MWMS PTA used the money it raised to:

* Provide over $3,000 to 8th grade graduation events
* Provide over $1000 to instructional teams for academic support
* Donate $400 to the school store
* Provide $3000 for Cultural Arts events
* Provide $800 for Carnival in the Woods
* Sponsor all school dances and drama events
* Organize all school Spirit Wear sales
* Provide hundreds of volunteer hours for school programs/events
* Host and provide many Staff Appreciation events, such as: a luncheon, and multiple other meals during staff appreciation week, a Back to School Breakfast, a Conference Dinner, and snacks on other fun school days

Please consider getting involved and/or putting your donations to work for the MWMS PTA!

***We are currently at 78% of our membership goal with 155 parent members for the 2018-19 school year.*** Please join today to help our PTA become 200 parents strong! (We are also at 43% of our staff goal of 100 members.)

Thank you in advance for your continued support!

**UNO PIZZERIA & GRILL DOUGHRAISER**

Join fellow MWMS families for a PTA Doughraiser at Uno’s Pizzeria. Twenty percent of all supporter sales will go towards staff and student incentives. Add the date to your calendar today and take the day/night off from cooking to ***directly benefit MWMS students***! A printed flyer must be shown to qualify all orders. Don’t forget to spread the word to your friends and neighbors! Please see the attached flyer.

**Thursday, November 15, 2018: Uno Pizzeria & Grill**

* DINE-IN & CARRY-OUT orders are eligible.
* Supporters must show printed flyer *when* paying.
* Questions? Contact: Karen Brower [*karen\_brower@hcpss.org*](mailto:karen_brower@hcpss.org)
* Uno’s Pizzeria & Grill
* Long Gate Shopping Center,4470 Long Gate Parkway, Ellicott City, MD

**KRISPY KREME DONUT FUNDRAISER**

Be on the lookout for our Krispy Kreme pre-order forms … coming home soon! Order doughnuts by the dozen for $7.00 by 11/16 and pick up at either drama production on 11/29 or 11/30.

**MWMS PTA SCHOLASIC BOOK FAIR**

As usual, this year’s book fair will coincide with Parent-Teacher Conferences and will include daytime and evening hours. This is a great opportunity to purchase holiday gifts and books/materials for your child’s classroom (per teacher requests). Questions or to volunteer, contact: mayfieldwoodspta@gmail.com.

* MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12 through TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20
* Shop during school hours - 11/12-11/20 (closed 11/14)
* Shop during additional evening hours 11/19-11/20 (until 7:30 PM)
* *MWMS Media Center*

**MWMS MUSIC BOOSTERS ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS**

Parents of band, chorus, and orchestra students are encouraged to join fellow MWMS music families to assist with volunteering and fundraising for our PHENOMENAL, AWARD-WINNING MUSIC PROGRAM. With the music funding being cut by the county we need your help more than ever! Please keep an eye out for Sign-Up Genius emails and consider volunteering your time and/or donating requested items. Our families are an integral part of the success of the MWMS Music Program!

For questions/volunteer opportunities/donations/fundraising ideas, pleases contact Ruth Robertson at [mwmsmusicboosters@gmail.com](https://twitter.com/search?q=mayfield%20woods%20ms%20pta&src=typd)

**FALL DANCE**

MWMS PTA is excited to announce the first dance of the 2018-19 school year! Permission slips with all pertinent information will be coming home soon.

* Pizza and refreshments will be on sale at the dance. $0.25-$2.00.

(Please bring small denominations if possible.)

* Donate a box of tissues or a hand sanitizer and receive one free drink.
* $7.00/ticket. Ticket sales October 31st – November 2nd during lunch periods. **No tickets will be sold at the door.**
* Permission slip required when purchasing a ticket.

CASH ONLY. NO REFUNDS.

* Friday, November 2, 2018, 7:00 – 9:00 PM

*MWMS Cafeteria/Gym*

**HUG A PRINCIPAL TODAY ;-)**

October is **National Principals Month**! Show your appreciation to our AMAZING PRINCIPAL Ms. Shindel by thanking her for everything she does for our school and community! Visit [principalsmonth.org](http://www.principalsmonth.org) to learn more.

*#ThankAPrincipal*

**“BULLDOG BRAG BOARD”**

Has your child achieved a milestone outside of school that you’d like to share? Did their basketball team win a tournament? Did they participate in a play? Did they win an award? Send in a quick note (and optional photo) to Ms. Kuperman and she will share it with the MWMS community. For questions and comments, email Ms. K at [**annette\_kuperman@hcpss.org**](http://www.pta.org/benefits)

**MWMS PTA MEETINGS**

MWMS PTA typically meets monthly at 7:00 PM on the second Wednesday of each month in the Media Center at MWMS.

We'd love to see new faces, especially those parents/guardians of incoming students who want to be part of a wonderful group of dedicated families, teachers and administrators!

* Next Meeting: Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2018 at 7:00 PM

*MWMS Media Center*

**MWMS PTA PRESENTS: Annie**

Congratulations to everyone who received a part in the cast/crew of the MWMS Fall Production: Annie!

* Performance Dates: Thursday, Nov. 29 and Friday, Nov. 30 at 7:00 PM

**PTA POSITIONS OPEN for 2018-19 SCHOOLYEAR**

Interested in becoming part of the **MWMS PTA**? Make your voice heard. Have your ideas considered. Support MWMS Teachers and Staff. Help make MWMS the best it can be for our students. Enjoy being a part of the MWMS community.

Positions Needed:

**Cultural Arts (2 people)**

**Hispanic Liaison (2 people)**

**Reflections (1 person)**

**School Store (2 people)**

We look forward to welcoming you!

*Check out additional benefits of being a PTA member:* [**http://www.pta.org/benefits**](http://www.pta.org/benefits)

**MWMS PTA WEBSITE**

The website includes:

* On-going access to up-to-date MWMS and MWMS PTA news
* Links for joining the PTA and volunteering in and out of school
* Calendars of MWMS, MWMS PTA and MWMS Music events
* Spirit Wear purchase info
* MWMS Music Boosters Page
* MWMS Teacher/Staff Gift Guide
* And more …

We hope the new site will be a great resource for MWMS families. Please take time to explore the site and bookmark us on your computers and smart devices today!

Our address is: [***http://mayfieldwoodspta.weebly.com***](http://mayfieldwoodspta.weebly.com)

**GET INVOLVED**

There are so many ways YOU can get involved! Check out the list below or visit the “Get Involved” page on our website to see how YOU can help! <http://mayfieldwoodspta.weebly.com/get-involved.html>

1. **PURCHASE A PTA MEMBERSHIP!!!** It’s so easy to do. Your one-time donation of at least $10.00-$15.00 ($10.00 for one PTA membership, $15.00 for two) goes straight into the MWMS PTA account to benefit our MWMS Community, Staff and Students. Plus, with the new PayPal link on our website it is even easier to join. Please help us achieve 100% participation!
2. **PURCHASE SPIRIT WEAR.** Show your Bulldog pride and help support the PTA by purchasing apparel.
3. **COLLECT COUPONS for CA$H.** Don't forget to join School Donation Programs AND collect education coupons to turn in to the office to earn CA$H for MWMS. Every penny counts!!!

[Box Tops for Education](http://www.boxtops4education.com/?dclid=CIrNqs_ExM8CFdcMNwod-OIIUA)

[Giant A+ School Rewards](http://giantfood.com/aplus/register-card/) (MWMS is School #02707)

[Labels for Education](http://www.labelsforeducation.com/About-the-Program)

[My Coke Rewards](https://www.mycokerewards.com/content/how-it-works.html)

[Target RedCard](http://www.target.com/c/redcard/-/N-4tfyn)

1. **ATTEND RESTAURANT NIGHTS.** Enjoy the night off from cooking while supporting the MWMS PTA.
2. **OCCASIONAL VOLUNTEERING & DONATION OPPORTUNITIES.** MWMS PTA will occasionally send out Sign-Up-Genius emails requesting donations and/or volunteers for assistance with specific events during and after school such as refreshments for school dances, chaperoning, event ticket sales, items for staff appreciation events, donations for the end-of-year carnival, etc. These are one-time donations and you may offer as much or as little help as your schedule or budget will allow.
3. **ATTEND SCHOOL PLAYS and ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD to ATTEND PTA-SPONSORED DANCES**. All proceeds from these events go right back into the PTA budget so we may continue to provide these fun, enriching opportunities for our students!
4. **ATTEND PTA MEETINGS.** Meetings are held once monthly on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the MWMS Media Center. Attend occasionally or regularly as your schedule will allow. Attendance does not obligate you to volunteer (even though we probably will ask) and affords you the opportunity to stay well-informed about school and community events!
5. **VOLUNTEER as a PTA BOARD MEMBER or COMMITTEE CHAIR.** Anyone interested in donating a little more time and effort is ***strongly encouraged*** to find a volunteer opportunity that fits their time and talents.

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