

# MWMS PTA Newsletter

Friday, June 1, 2018

## From the PTA

This is our final PTA Newsletter of the year but there is still plenty of work to be done! We are still looking for donations and volunteers for the following events:

06/05: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Music Awards & Reception. [RSVP / Sign-Up Genius Link](#)

06/08: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration Dinner & Dance. [Sign-Up Genius Link](#)

06/14: 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual MWMS "Carnival @ the Woods." [Sign-Up Genius Link](#)

If you are interested in taking on a more active role next school year, please email MWMS PTA at [mayfeldwoodspta@gmail.com](mailto:mayfeldwoodspta@gmail.com) with questions and contact information.

**Thank you to all who volunteered their time and sent in donations to help make 2017-18 a success for our staff and students! We couldn't have done it without you!**

**We would also like to take a moment to specifically thank some members and staff for their special dedication and commitment to our MWMS community:**

- Thank you to **Ms. Shindel** for always being open to new ideas and going above and beyond to help the PTA get things done!
- Thank you to **Ms. Stevens** for always bringing a smile and helping anyway she can!
- Thank you to **Mr. Murray** for his willingness to attend every meeting although he was usually the only male in the room! (Let's hope some brave dads step up and serve alongside him next year!)
- Thank you to **Ms. Kuperman** for always lending a hand and attending every event! From directing plays to chaperoning dances to attending restaurant nights to taking a pie in the face ... there is nothing she wouldn't do for her students!
- Thank you to **Ms. Bradley** for undertaking the massive task of arranging our first 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Ceremony. We truly appreciate all your hard work!!

- Thank you to **Ms. Melvin** for your assistance with Scholastic Book Fair.
- Thank you to **Mr. Grafton** for facilitating our Cultural Arts performances.
- Thank you to **Ms. Closson** for tirelessly assisting with PTA newsletters.
- Thank you to **Ms. Closson, Ms. Mosso,** and **Ms. VanNort** for being on the front lines and assisting in so many ways we don't have room to list them all!
- A GIANT thank you to our **Custodial Staff** for making all our events possible and being available days/nights/weekends rain or shine!

And last, but certainly not least ...

- Thank you to **Ms. Jayne Considine** for her three years of dedicated service as our PTA President! You are a "Rock Star!"

Have a phenomenal summer everyone!

Warmly,  
YOUR MWMS PTA

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## Stay Connected with MWMS PTA

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

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

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

PTA Facebook Page: [MWMS PTA Facebook Page](#)

PTA Twitter Account: [Mayfield Woods MS PTA](#)

MWMS Music Boosters Email: [mwmsmusicboosters@gmail.com](mailto:mwmsmusicboosters@gmail.com)

PTA Calendar: <http://mayfieldwoodspta.weebly.com/calendars.html>

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## Save the Dates

06/04: Chick-fil-A Restaurant Night, 5:00 – 9:00 PM, Columbia/Dobbin

06/05: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Music Awards & Reception, 6:30 PM, MWMS Cafeteria  
06/06: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade High School Visits  
06/07: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Ceremony, 9:45 – 11:45 AM, LRHS  
06/08: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration Dinner & Dance, 6:00 – 9:30 PM, MWMS  
06/14: 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual MWMS “Carnival @ the Woods”, 12:45 – 2:45 PM

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## PTA News

### MAYFEST

We hope everyone had a great time at MayFest! MWMS Band, Chorus, and Orchestra were amazing! Thank you to everyone for helping to make Mayfest 2018 a smashing success! As always, our community was so generous with volunteering time and donations!

And a **VERY SPECIAL, HEARTFELT THANKS** to **Erin Oberuch & the Oberuch Family** for going above and beyond year after year! NONE of our amazing music events would be possible without their hard work and commitment to MWMS Music!

### CHICK-FIL-A RESTAURANT NIGHT

Join us for the final Restaurant Night of the year!  
20% of all qualifying sales between 5:00 – 9:00 PM will directly benefit MWMS PTA. Don't forget to spread the word to your friends and neighbors!

### MONDAY, JUNE 4: Chick-fil-A, Dobbin: 5:00 – 9:00 PM

- **Printed Flyer** (attached) must be presented.
- Questions? Contact: Karen Brower [karen\\_brower@hcpss.org](mailto:karen_brower@hcpss.org)
- Chick-fil-A Columbia: 6375 Dobbin Road., Columbia, MD 21045

### 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE MUSIC AWARDS NIGHT & RECEPTION

MWMS Music Department's Annual Awards Night is an endearing send-off for our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, Chorus, and Orchestra students. The event includes a slide show and a reception with finger foods and refreshments. (Parents, don't forget to email your child's photos to Mr. Hunter for the slide show.)

A Sign-Up Genius has been sent out so families may sign up to bring a favorite dish to share. We are also asking for parents interested in helping to organize the event to volunteer their time. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Here is the link for the Sign-Up Genius:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4ca9ae2faaf94-8thgrade>

- **TUESDAY JUNE 5, 6:30 PM, MWMS Cafeteria**
- Questions? Contact: Adam Hunter [adam\\_hunter@hcpss.org](mailto:adam_hunter@hcpss.org)

### **8<sup>th</sup> GRADE PROMOTION CEREMONY**

MWMS first-annual promotion ceremony will be held during the school day at Long Reach H.S. auditorium. Students will be bussed to LRHS and returned back to MWMS by lunchtime

Additional details (cost, student dress, time, guest attendance, more) are available on the MWMS website. [Click here to learn more.](#)

Parents, don't forget to email your child's photos to Ms. Hutzell at [Loretta\\_hutzell@hcpss.org](mailto:Loretta_hutzell@hcpss.org) for the slide show!

- **THURSDAY JUNE 7, 9:45-11:45 am, LRHS Auditorium**

### **8<sup>th</sup> GRADE CELEBRATION: "Let the Red Carpet Glow"**

Ticket sales are over, but if you missed the deadline and would still like to attend, it's not too late! Please fill out the attached permission slip and return to the front office with your payment.

Please visit our Sign-Up Genius (below) if you would like to volunteer your time or provide donations. We need help with set-up, chaperoning, and clean-up as well. Questions/comments, please email **Danielle Coombs** @ [daniellecoombs13@yahoo.com](mailto:daniellecoombs13@yahoo.com).

***\*Please note, all students MUST BE SIGNED IN AND OUT by a designated adult!***

- **FRIDAY JUNE 8, 6:30-9:30 PM**
- **6:00 PM: "Walk the Red Carpet" / Sign-in (Doors Open @ 6:00 PM)**
- **DRESS CODE: Dressy / School-Appropriate Attire**
- **6:30-7:30 PM: Sit-Down Catered Dinner**
- **7:30-9:30 PM: Dancing, Games, DJ, Photo Booth, Refreshments**
- **9:30 PM: Students signed out by parent/guardian.**
- \$20 Cash/Check made payable to "MWMS PTA". No Refunds.
- Signed permission slips required to purchase tickets.
- Families needing financial assistance should contact Ms. Shindel at [Melissa\\_shindel@hcpss.org](mailto:Melissa_shindel@hcpss.org)

[Click here](#) to donate items or help with set-up, chaperoning, or clean-up.  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090d4da5a72da0f49-8thgrade>

## **2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL CARNIVAL @ the WOODS**

We are looking for volunteers to help at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Carnival @ the Woods celebration! Please consider spending an hour of your day to help our kids kick off the summer in style! [Click here to volunteer/donate.](#)

• THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 12:45-2:45 PM

**\*\*\*Please drop off all donations (except cupcakes) by June 1!**

Questions? Contact Ms. Schonberger at [Allison\\_Schonberger@hcpss.org](mailto:Allison_Schonberger@hcpss.org)

## **OPEN POSITIONS FOR 2018-19 PTA**

We need your help! Those willing to carry on the rewarding work of the PTA, please contact Jayne Considine at [mayfieldwoodspta@gmail.com](mailto:mayfieldwoodspta@gmail.com) to learn more about available positions for next year. (Please See List Below.)

Any parent interested in supporting their child's education AND supporting those who educate our children can find a home on the MWMS PTA!

OPEN POSITIONS INCLUDE:

- Vice President (2)
- Cultural Arts Chair
- Fundraising Chair (2)
- Membership Chair (2)
- Social Media
- PTA Council of HoCo Representative
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance Committee (3)
- Holiday Candy Grams
- Sunshine Committee (2)
- Scholastic Book Fair Chair

## **SMILE.AMAZON.COM**

Are you a regular Amazon.com shopper? If so, did you know that your eligible purchases can generate donations for MWMS PTA? Three simple steps ... that's all it takes! **You Shop. Amazon Gives.**

- 1) Log into your Amazon.com account and select "Your AmazonSmile"
- 2) Choose "Mayfield Woods Middle School PTA" as your charity.
- 3) Shop from [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and watch your donations accrue!

## **ATTENTION PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> GRADERS**

Did you know the MWMS PTA is responsible for many of the auxiliary events that help to make Mayfield Woods the great community we all enjoy? The PTA sponsors our school plays, dances, cultural arts performances, book fairs, staff

appreciation events, and much more!

Almost half of this year's PTA members (including our President) are parents of graduating 8<sup>th</sup> graders. We need **YOU** to pick up the torch to ensure the continuation of these phenomenal programs in the future. Now is a great time to reach out to the PTA and take on a role as a committee chair as you may shadow the current Chairperson and be ready to hit the ground running for the 2018-19 school year.

If interested in learning more, please email MWMS PTA:  
[mayfieldwoodspta@gmail.com](mailto:mayfieldwoodspta@gmail.com)

Check out additional benefits of being a PTA member:  
<http://www.pta.org/benefits>

### **MWMS "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. Kuperman: [annette\\_kuperman@hcpss.org](mailto:annette_kuperman@hcpss.org)

### **RESOURCES for SPEAKING to CHILDREN ABOUT TRAUMATIC EVENTS**

HCPSS schools are equipped with resources to support children during the school day. These [resources](#) can support parents and community members in speaking to children outside of school hours.

### **WANDS for WILDLIFE RECYCLES OLD MASCARA WANDS**

The *Wands for Wildlife Program* through the *Appalachian Wildlife Refuge* in North Carolina, is accepting donations of old mascara wands to help with injured or orphaned wildlife. Anyone interested in donating, learning more, or seeing a couple of pictures of ***adorable, fuzzy animal babies sure to bring a smile to your day*** [click here to view the flyer](#).

### **ATTENTION PARENTS of STUDENTS ATTENDING LONG REACH NEXT YEAR:**

LRHS PTA has needs in all areas, but we have open positions for **Secretary** and probably **1st and 2nd VP**. We would also love to find people who could spearhead our **membership, fundraising, and social media** areas. We meet on the second Monday of every month at 7:00 PM.

And, if anyone has any questions, they can contact Kristine Greer, LRHS PTA Treasurer at [lrhstreasurerptsa@gmail.com](mailto:lrhstreasurerptsa@gmail.com) or (240) 299-7823, or Padma Sivasailam, LRHS PTA President at [lrhspresidentptsa@gmail.com](mailto:lrhspresidentptsa@gmail.com).

Thanks in advance for any help you can provide!

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