
05-30-23 Thurston PTO Newsletter

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Thurston Elementary PTO

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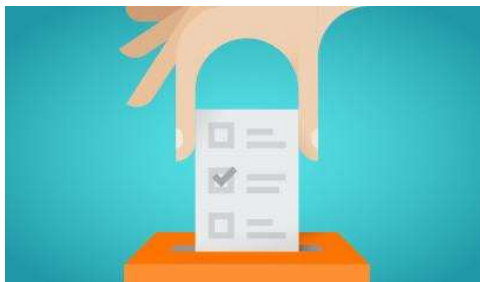
Upcoming Events

June 2: Field Day + Fun Run Event (details below)

June 9: Last day of school, dismissal at 11:28a.m.

Time to vote for PTO board members!

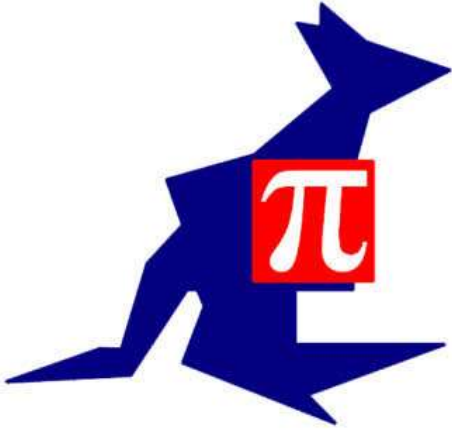
The **2023 PTO Election ballot** is now available! Please take a moment to submit your [vote](#). The deadline is midnight on Friday June 2nd.



Not running for an elected board position but still want to get involved in PTO next year? There are many other [roles to fill and committees to join](#), and we could really use your help! Please reach out to Maureen at pto.thurstonelementary@gmail.com to learn more. Joining the PTO is a great way to meet fellow Thurston families, get to know the teachers and staff, and get involved in school activities!

Congratulations Thurston Math Club!

Congratulations to all who participated in our brand new Thurston Math Club this year! Students came together each week to explore a variety of math questions and puzzles, to collaboratively develop their problem-solving skills and to prepare for the international [Math Kangaroo competition](#) this spring.



In the USA, more than 30,000 kids in grades 1-12 took the Math Kangaroo test this year. 4,872 of these students ranked top-20 in the country and 1,830 students ranked top-3 at the state level. **Four of our Thurston Math Club members were recognized in these rankings!**

2nd graders:

- Jorson Mao (national score rank 9, state score rank 2)
- Scott Oldham (national score rank 16)

4th graders:

- Geeoh Min (national score rank 8)
- Dhruv Mankame (national score rank 16)

For more information or to join the Thurston Math Club, email thurstonmathclub@gmail.com. The club meets one evening per week throughout the school year, and the Math Kangaroo competition takes place in March.

Field Day + Fun Run is this Friday!

Thanks to all of those who have signed up to help out at the Field Day + Fun Run this Friday! We are looking forward to this wonderful all-school event where kids will enjoy a series of high energy and exciting activities like tug-of-war, water balloon toss, pool noodle croquet, water bottle bowling, the PTO Fun Run obstacle course and much more! **If you haven't already, please check out the [Field Day letter](#) for full details about the schedule, where to park and how to prepare your child.**



We still need a few additional volunteers to help set-up, run and tear down the Fun Run obstacle course station. If you had signed up to help with the Fun Run back in April, we hope you can still help us out. **Check out our updated [Fun Run volunteer sign-up sheet](#).**

We are asking that students wear shirts according to their FUN RUN colors to help show their spirit throughout the day.

PreK - Kindergarten	Red
First Grade	Yellow
Second Grade	Green
Third Grade	Purple
Fourth Grade	Orange
Fifth Grade	Blue

Survey on After-School Class Offerings for 2023-2024



Hello Parents/Guardians -

Community Education & Recreation (Rec & Ed) will soon begin planning programs for Fall 2023 and beyond. We are kindly asking you to take a **1-2 minute survey** to let us know what types of **after-school classes** you'd like to see offered at *your* child's school in the **2023/2024 school year**. Once the **survey** has closed, we will analyze the responses and attempt to schedule our afterschool classes based on interest and need. Please keep in mind that several factors impact our ability to offer after-school classes at a particular location. These include level of student/family interest in a topic, instructor availability, facility and room availability, and other factors. We will do our best to accommodate your requests and welcome your suggestions for after school enrichment instructors or partners. This **survey** will remain open until **Friday, June 2nd**. If you have more than one child, please fill out a separate **survey** for each.

Thank you in advance for your participation!

Rec & Ed Staff

recedstaff@a2schools.org

Summer gardening opportunity at Thurston



Thurston summer garden plots are available June 10th through the fall growing season for \$10 per plot (donations go to the PTO).

- Bring your own vegetables and flowers to plant, your own tools to garden.
- Open to anyone in the school or broader community.
- A great way to get outside and grow your own food this summer and to build community.
- Want to share a plot with your friends or neighbors? That is also possible.
- Interested in helping in the garden but not having a plot for yourself?

Contact [Leah](#) with questions or for more details.

Thurston Student Directory



Need to contact a Thurston parent or student? The 2022-2023 Thurston student directory is available [here](#). The directory is organized by grade (see tabs) and then alphabetically by class. If you registered prior to the start of school and indicated in InfoSnap that you wanted to be included in the directory, your contact information should be included. If you find a change needs to be made or do not see your information but wish for it to be included, please complete this [form](#).

The PTO wants to hear from you! [Email us](#) , [Visit our Site](#) or [Facebook Page](#)

Newsletter submissions due by Saturday, 5pm to: newsletter.thurstonpto@gmail.com

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