
Keysor PTO Meeting

Tuesday, 11.13.2018 7pm

Attendees

- PTO Executive Board Members: Stephanie Schmidt, Sarah Pitt Kaplan, Amber Jennings, Andy Flach, Kirk Augustine and Bonny Mill
- Dr. Alyssa Taylor
- Mr. Jeremy Mapp
- 13 Keysor Parents

Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Special Presentation by Levaughn Smart, Director of Safety and Security of Kirkwood School District
- Principal's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- PTO Update and Opportunities
- Kudos to Keysor
- Mark Your Calendars

Special Presentation

Levaughn Smart, Director of Safety and Security of Kirkwood School District

Mr. Smart provided an overview of our district policy on intruders and active shooters.

He provided an explanation of ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate). ALICE training provides individuals how to prepare and plan how to more proactively handle the threat of an aggressive intruder or active shooter event.

Mr. Smart provided how ALICE strategies work at Keysor. Keysor Kindergarten teacher, Maggie Perkins, also gave parents an insight on how she prepares students for the drills conducted at the school.

The district's safety procedures and policies already include a school crisis plan, security cameras, numbered exterior doors and classroom windows, and other measures. Kirkwood also participates in safety team meetings with the Webster Groves School District and area first responders.

While the state requires all schools to conduct one intruder drill a year, Kirkwood has four intruder drills a year.

Kirkwood has streamlined its communication between schools during emergencies using an app called "CrisisGo," which improves safety through advanced alerts, access to the district's emergency plans, better communication among school officials and more.

For more information about safety and security, contact the district's Community Relations Office at 314-213-6102 or visit www.kirkwoodschoools.org.

Administration Update

- Dr. Alyssa Taylor provided dates and times for events happening at Keysor in November.
- Dr. Taylor updated the group on safety and security at Keysor. The front entrance will be redesigned in the near future. There will also be changes in the sign in policy.

Treasurer's Report

Presented by Andy Flach, *PTO Treasurer*

YTD Revenue: \$22,927

Sources of revenue over past 30 days

- Keysor Cash: \$4,365 (over \$11k total)
- Restaurant Nights: \$868
- eScripts: \$186

Expenditures to date: \$46,923

Key expenditures last 30 days

- Field Trips: \$1,968
- Activities Fees: \$2,552
- Trunk or Treat: \$604
- Spiritwear: \$1,276

Net Expenditure to Date: \$23,996

Bank Balance: \$26,310

PTO Updates & Opportunities

Presented by Stephanie Schmidt, *PTO President*

Neighborhood Leaf Raking 11/20 9-10:30am (rescheduled to 12/7)

- Parent sign up link is located in 11/11 Keysor Connection
- Items needed: Kirkwood lawn bags & LABELED rakes

Canned Food Drive to Benefit Kirk Care

- Donations accepted now until 11/19 for a grade level challenge
- Kids will use cans/boxes to build structures before donating

Volunteers Needed for Hearing/Vision Screenings 11/28 & 11/29

- Parents walk classes to/from the screening professionals & supervise waiting kids
- Shifts on Wed 11/28 (morning & afternoon) and Thurs 11/29 (morning only)
- To sign up, email Jen Sigmon; info can be found in Buzz Book

Principal Profile Dec 11 7-8pm

- In January KSD will launch a search for Keysor's permanent Principal and Assistant Principal. Dr. Taylor & Mr. Mapp are currently serving as interim Principal & Assistant Principal. As candidates for their roles, they are not allowed to be a part of the search process.
- KSD Superintendent Dr. Michele Condon & HR Director Cindi Nelson will lead a participatory session to gather parent input.
- An electronic survey will be sent to all parents after the session. In person parent participation is important! PLEASE JOIN US after your family enjoys Restaurant Night at Mike Duffy's!

Kudos to Keysor

- We appreciate all our volunteers & want to spread the word about the great stuff they do for our kids!
- Look for updates on the Keysor PTO Facebook page
- Send the name of someone who should be included to secretary@keysorpto.com

Kudos Go To....

- Trunk or Treat Chairs: Jean Marie Andrews, Michelle Gegg & Janells Hizer. A big thank you to all who hosted and donated candy!
- The Spiders Crew: Kate Jones & Justin Dibb and volunteers Tara Battles, Christine Chen, Carrie Chen, Laura Harms, Amber Jennings, Brooke Linneman, Heather Morgan, Tressa Robertson & Caroline Villanueva
- Our hardworking Staff Moms... Jen Bartin (library/4th) for coordinating Author Visits. The kids enjoyed their time with the authors! AND
- Valerie Bechtel (math/3rd & 1st) organizing successful Restaurant Nights. **Next Restaurant Night is Tuesday 12/11 from 4-10pm at Mike Duffy's. 10% back to Keysor!
- Keysor Cash Chairs Laci Hansard & Rachel Leonard and ALL who donated
- Box Tops Chair Jamie Meade and ALL donors
- Nurse Volunteer Coordinator Jen Sigmon and screening volunteers Katie Alejandrino, Theresa Dare, Katey Darpel, Tom Major and Stephanie McAvin
- Veterans Day Chair Amy Shasserre & Keysor Secretary Kelly Eschenroeder. Thank you for organizing such a special event to honor our veterans!
- ALL Halloween Parade & Party Volunteers

- Keysor Teachers & Field Trip Volunteers

Mark Your Calendars: November

21 KSD Foundation Chili Bowl @ KHS 5-7:30

21, 22, 23 No School

22 Turkey Day Football Game @ Webster Groves High School 12pm

27 MADCO Performance by 5th grade 2:30 & 7pm

Parent Info Meeting about Dyslexia @ Westchester Elementary 6:30pm

28 & 29 Hearing & Vision Screenings for K/1st/3rd/5th ****VOLUNTEERS NEEDED****

Mark Your Calendar: December

4 Second Grade Winter Concert 2:30 & 7pm

7 First Friday @ 8:25am, Early Dismissal @ 12:30

11 Keysor Restaurant Night @ Mike Duffy's 4-10pm AND

KSD Principal Profile Meeting 7-8pm in Keysor cafeteria

13 Keysor Cubs Storytime 9:15-10:15am AND

KSD Master Facility Plan @ Nipher Middle School 6:30-8pm

20 Classroom Winter Parties ****VOLUNTEERS NEEDED, talk to teacher****

12/21 - 01/02: Winter Recess!!!