

## **Hamilton PTA November Meeting 11/13/25**

### **PTA President:**

- Restaurant Nights
  - Ashley Alexander is organizing these nights. Looking to set up one per month for the rest of the school year (December through May). Scheduling for the night after PTA meeting - will need a flyer or name drop - more info to come for each event.
  - Hamilton PTA Google Calendar will also have all of the restaurant nights in addition to all of the other events, PTA Meetings, etc.
- STAY IN THE LOOP
  - Facebook also is a great source of information - Ashley Alexander is updating regularly with information, flyers, etc.
- FALL AT A GLANCE
  - Last thing for the calendar year will be Letters of Love (all other events have happened).
    - This is an opportunity to send letters to terminally ill children that will be delivered to them to bring them joy.
    - Letters get dropped in a box in the school lobby and then they will be mailed out in one large package.
  - DECEMBER
    - Restaurant Night at Qdoba
    - Family Event at SKATE WORLD of Troy
    - Last week before winter break there are classroom parties
    - No PTA meeting in December
  - JANUARY
    - Urban Air on a half day - portion of proceeds come back to Hamilton - excellent event last year with low attendance
    - Winter Dance
  - February
    - No major events
    - Valentines Parties are closed parties - teacher & room parents only

### **Principal Update & Head Teacher Update:**

- Playgrounds are open - we are still waiting for grass to grow for the rest of the spaces to be open. We need to not open it and have mud. Ms. McNally has been in contact with Barton Malow regarding timing for opening.
- Events - Trunk or Treat was a huge success. We'd like to have more trunks next year. It is a favorite event of many.
- Hawks Nest - we have had 2. Most recent one ran very smoothly - 25 minutes focused on recess and cafeteria.
- Lost and Found was shared at lunch. Students seem very unaware of what items belong to them.
- General Reminder in winter months that students need extra gear. Please label all the students' items.
- 1st ALICE Drill has occurred - sharing information about protocols.
  - Director of Safety from the district coming to do a teacher training at Mrs. McNally's request
- FIELD TRIPS
  - 5th grade went to camp
  - 1st grade to Westview Orchard

- 3rd grade to Greenfield Village
- 2nd grade going to the LegaSea Aquarium and Reptarium next week
- Book Fair happening currently
- Hamilton Happenings will have more future dates - currently is a bi-weekly newsletter.
- 5th grade did the Troy Fitness run.
- Mrs. Melin is back in 1st grade from her maternity leave - current and past students all very excited to have her back!
- 3rd & 4th grade teachers had job embedded PD with curriculum specialists.
- New teacher PD happens for first 3 years and Hamilton hosted it recently.
- Student Council working on a monthly theme - last month was allergy awareness, this month - food insecurity - student council is sharing about this during morning announcements.
- Troy Center for Transition Food Pantry - food collection happening at every building - you can drop food off in the lobby at Hamilton.

### **PTA PRESIDENT**

- JOG-A-THON
  - PTA Budget Allocation
  - 34% to student enrichment
  - 32% to staff recognition and classroom support
  - 20% to community and family events
  - 5% to school/faculty update major projects - varies each year based on what is needed
  - 9% administration and principal support

### **THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS HELPING THE PTA:**

- Elaine Herbon - Letter of Love
- Andrea Brown - Picture Retake Day
- Room Parents
- NHS Students who support by watching Hamilton students in the gym during PTA meetings

### **WHAT DO WE NEED HELP WITH NOW**

- Chair for BINGO NIGHT - we have notes from past years to support
- LETTERS OF LOVE - would like to have a great response
- Chair for FAMILY PICNIC
- Items for Nurse Room Supplies - pants, shorts, shoes, socks - boys size medium are low and need to be replenished

### **QUICK WINS BEFORE YOU LEAVE**

1. Volunteer for bingo committee or family picnic committee
2. Add google calendar
3. Follow Hamilton PTA on Facebook private group