

Whitney Ave Elementary Parent Teacher Organization Meeting  
Monday April 13, 2026 at 2:30-3:30 P.M. Room D6 or online

**Next meeting details:** Thursday May 14, 2026 at 3:30-4:30 P.M. Room D6 or online. This will be the final PTO meeting of the school year.

**In Attendance:** Sofia Andreichenko (interpreter), Yousuf Javid (interpreter), Muhammad Sufeeda (interpreter), Pavel Rospotnyuk (interpreter), Shakila Hussini (parent), Martho Hue, Julie Sagara (teacher), Chelsea Spier (parent), Nicole Santillan (parent) Mary Cardoso (interim principal), Luis Cruz Solache (FACE team)

**Agenda (notes shown in purple, action items highlighted in Blue)**

1. **Welcome and introductions** (5 minutes)
2. **Whitney Ave Elementary Family Cookbook** (5 minutes)
  - Deadline extended to April 30<sup>th</sup>. More flyers were shared during Family Fun Night
3. **Revitalizing the campus garden** (10 minutes)
  - Open during Family Fun Night, Wed April 15<sup>th</sup> 3:30 – 5:30. Activities will include a scavenger hunt and planting a seed to take home. Because of weeds in the garden this ended up being postponed until open house after we have time to clean it up a bit more, but PTO had snack sales and we had a station for kids to paint rocks for the garden.
  - Parent/teacher garden workday scheduled for April 18th. Flyer attached.
    - Discuss supplies needed and logistics
    - This ended up being postponed and will be rescheduled for another day.
  - Classes started visiting the garden in March. We are looking for more volunteers for this.
  - FACE team will be hosting a community care hub at Whitney June 12 from 10am-noon. The garden will be open for the community to check out during this event. Open to other fun activities if others have ideas they would like to present.
4. **Next family night event** (5 minutes): Family Fun Day on April 15 at 3:30-5:30 pm. Parent Volunteers will be needed. Nicole, Julie, Luis and Chelsea will be helping at this event.
5. **Budget and Future fundraisers** (15 minutes)
  - Current funds: Current funds: \$933 in cash and \$1751 in the school's donation account.
  - Future fundraiser ideas:

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- Decorating school pawprint with a spring theme. This will be extended on more week end date of 4/24 and art will be displayed during open house.
- Tattoo your teacher (same day as 4/15/26 family fun night). Update from Julie. Not ready for this week, but still planning on doing this before the end of the year.
- California Burrito restaurant fundraiser, April 24<sup>th</sup> all day. Manzanita and Fair Oaks location. Luis will bring more printed flyers to Whitney, Chelsea will send talking points to office to post.
- Possibly ask for sponsors for the school cookbook. On hold for now
- One more penny war fundraiser. Likely, in May to get some funds for next year's PTO

6. **Teacher appreciation week.** (5 minutes)

- Ideas for the PTO to support.
- California Burrito plus parent donations for lunch. Discuss date, cost and logistics of this.
- We will plan this for Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup>, with a 10:45 set up time. We will pay in cash, asked for parents to bring any donations by the end of the week before (salsa, cheese, sour cream, guacamole, drinks) and then we can get any additional items needed from Costco over the weekend. Nicole will provide rice and beans. Luis will coordinate with CA burrito
- The other days are taken care of so PTO will just focus on this lunch
- Other ideas from last meeting:
  - Encourage the students to be a part of it (make a card for your teacher, bring a flower from your yard, etc.)
  - Breakfast spread one day

7. **Fun Community building activities** (5 minutes)

- Picnic in the park: sometime in the Spring. Possibly at Gibbons park. Does not look like we will have time for this before the end of the school year.

8. **Succession planning for next year.** Nicole is interested in leading PTO next year. Chelsea will put together a binder with resources used this year.

9. **Next steps and closing, final meeting for this school year:** Thursday May 14, 2026 at 3:30-4:30 P.M. Room D6

10. **Adjournment**

**WHITNEY AVE  
RESTAURANT  
FUNDRAISER**



**WHEN: FRIDAY, APRIL 24TH (6AM – 10PM)**

**WHERE:**

**7425 FAIR OAKS BLVD. SACRAMENTO**

**Show this flyer when you order  
(printed or a photo on your phone)  
and a portion of the sales will be  
donated to Whitney Avenue  
Elementary!**

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**Photos of class visits to the campus garden**



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