

March 4, 2025 PTO Meeting

Principal Report

- Celebration of Learning
 - Friday, March 14th 3:00-3:43pm
 - All are welcome! Sign in at the front
- Battle of the Books
 - School competition (3rd,4th, and 5th grades)
 - Once school competition is complete it will go to the District level.
- Bell Schedules
 - Not changing next school year
- 5th Grade Legacy Project
 - Group of 5th grade students and Mrs. Stolte will come up with ideas and vote on a project.
 - More details coming soon!
- Small School Adjustments and Staffing for 2025/2026 School Year
 - Waiting for district to approve staffing and school budget for next year but this is the direction things should be moving...
 - Budget will be \$28,000-\$30,000 less
 - Title 1 funding cut by \$160,000
 - Small school money from Mill Levy should help offset the loss in funding
 - Maintaining 80% specials (important priority for staff)
 - Keeping classified staff
 - Moving to one section for 3rd grade (current 2nd grade class)
 - Will have a full time para
 - This grade level would be closed to school of choice
 - More communication to come as these plans are finalized

District Advisory Board Report

- Bell Schedules
 - Voted to keep current bell schedule for this school year
 - Will continue research
 - District doesn't have the money to hire more drivers and have struggled to get busses that they need
- Data for Charter Schools
 - The district will no longer give data (names, DOB, addresses) to charter schools for them to advertise to families
- Updates to Dyslexia program
 - Staff is now encouraged to use the dyslexia (they weren't previously)
 - There is a team that is working on support for staff and students
 - Working to identify older (middle and high school) students that weren't identified previously.
- 9th and 10th Grade - New literacy program
 - Currently in the pilot phase

- Will offer flexible reading
 - One book for all 9th and 10th in the district
 - One book for all 9th and 10th in each school
 - Other books will be more flexible for students to pick and chose things that they are interested in

Treasurer Report

- Current budget in line
 - Checks paid to school for swamp cooler (reimbursement) and DJ Baxter from the Family Dance
 - Reviewed and made changes for proposed budget for 2025/2026 school year
 - Will review and have the first vote at the April meeting. Final vote at May meeting

Parent Chair

- February Event Follow Up
 - Dance was a success and DJ paid
 - Valentine's were delivered to Gardens at Collinwood Assisted Living home. The residents and staff absolutely LOVED them. Thank you to everyone who participated.
 - Classified Week was a success with PTO providing gift cards to classified staff and donuts and coffee for staff!
- Book Fair/ Spiring Fling - **April 17**
 - Book fair will take place on Thursday, April 17. Come shop, get a FREE burrito (gluten free snack options available), and **purchase** coffee from Travelin' Tom's Coffee Truck!
 - Flyer and details will go home to families, be posted to Linton Facebook and the PTO Website.
 - Coffee and books available to anyone, tell your neighbors!
 - We have scholastic dollars to spend!
 - Staff allotted amount
 - View catalog to see other options for sale, not just books!
 - Use \$\$ to support Battle of the Books (2025/2026 school year)
- Teacher Appreciation **Week - May 5-9**
 - We will be asking parents to "sponsor a staff member" giving \$5 or more to help purchase the treats and lunch for staff.
 - Plan to send info home to families on **4/17** asking for the sponsorship
 - Monday - Stock the Fridge
 - Tuesday - Mrs. Stolte providing lunch (waffle lab)
 - Wednesday - Snacks
 - Thursday - PTO providing lunch (Fuzzy's)
 - Friday - Coffee Truck (Travelin' Toms)
- DC Oakes Night - **April 21**
 - Advertise times on communication (order and pay between 5-8pm for \$\$ to count)

- Flyer to go home with sponsorship requests on **4/17**

Parent Forum

- Open time for parent questions, comments, feedback.
 - Nothing discussed

Next Meeting: April 1, 2025

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