



SYMMES CIRCULAR

THE PTO NEWSLETTER

SEPT-OCT 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon. Sep 10 - Homework Website Help Session

Mon. Sep 10 - City Saver Fundraiser Kickoff

Thurs. Sep 13 - PTO Meeting

Mon. Sep 24 - MAP Testing Explained Event

Tues. Sep 25 - Picture Day

Thurs. Sep 27 - Room Parent Meeting

Thurs. Sep 27 - Family Fun Night & Cookie Dough Kickoff

Fri. Sep 28 - No School

Tues. Oct 9 - Literacy Night

Thurs. Oct 11 - PTO Meeting

Mon. Oct 16 - No School

Thurs. Oct 18 - 4th Grade Spelling Bee

Fri. Oct 26 - No School

Wed. Oct 31 - Fall Parade

Symmes Elementary PTO



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WELCOME BACK AVIATORS!

Welcome to the Symmes Elementary PTO!

Membership in the PTO is a FUN way to meet other families in the Symmes community and to provide much needed support for all our Symmes teachers and students.

PTO MEETINGS

Please join us for our 2018-19 PTO meetings held the 2nd Thursday of every month. Babysitting is provided! The next meeting will be held on Thursday, Oct 11, at 9:30 A.M. If you can't be there in person, please catch us on Facebook LIVE or archived on the PTO's Facebook page (see Quick Link below). There will be a digital-free zone at the meeting if you prefer not to be seen on camera.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Join us for FAMILY FUN NIGHT, the first PTO sponsored party of the year! This free event will be held on Thurs., Sept 27th at Symmes. Families can enjoy pizza, bingo, prizes and sample the cookies that will be sold as part of our annual Cookie Dough Fundraiser.

If you'd like to volunteer to help at this event visit the SignUp Genius at <https://tinyurl.com/SymmesFFN2018>. Please contact Megan Day at megday@mac.com with any questions. We hope to see you there!

ROOM PARENTS

Calling all room parents! If you signed up to become a room parent in your child's class this year please join us on Thurs. Sept 27th at 10:00 AM in the MPR for an orientation meeting. We'll be sharing important information for the upcoming year. Please contact Margo Rapp at Margogehring@hotmail.com with any questions.

CITY SAVER FUNDRAISER

This year Symmes has decided to trial a NEW exciting, fundraiser.....City Saver!!! The sale kicked off Sept. 10th and will run through Sept. 25th. The books have tons of useful coupons for shopping, dining and entertainment options. Books sell for \$25 and come with digital coupons too right on your cell phone....so that's DOUBLE the coupons! Kids can sell multiple books for chances to win fun prizes. Please contact LaToya Goshen at goshenfamily3@yahoo.com with any questions.

COOKIE DOUGH KICKOFF

The annual Cookie Dough Fundraiser will kick off during Family Fun Night. Sample cookie flavors from Otis Spunkmeyer as an after dinner treat. Please contact Jackie Ogden at (513) 288-3636 or jakey_07@yahoo.com with any questions.

SYMMES AMBASSADORS

Join us for the next Symmes Ambassadors sponsored event "Map Testing Explained". Vice Principal Jessica Ralston will be explaining MAP testing procedures, interpreting test scores and how the results are used for our students. The event will be held on Mon. Sept. 24th at 7:00 pm in the MPR.

The Symmes Ambassadors are also looking for additional translators! There is a current specific need for Russian and Eastern European translators. If you are available to help please contact Jackie Ogden at (513) 288-3636 or jakey_07@yahoo.com with any questions. Please also check out The Ambassadors Facebook page at <https://tinyurl.com/symmesambassadors>.

PTO QUICK LINKS

Website: tinyurl.com/symmesptoweb

PTO Facebook Page: tinyurl.com/symmeselemptofb

Online Membership Form: tinyurl.com/symmesmembership

Online Volunteer Form: tinyurl.com/symmesvolunteeronline

Paper Volunteer Form: tinyurl.com/symmesvolunteerpaper



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Symmes Steppers starts on Wednesday, Sept. 12th. If you aren't familiar with Steppers it's a walking program that kids opt to participate in instead of recess on Wednesdays in the fall and spring. They earn feet by walking miles and we reward them at the end of the year for their achievements. This year 2nd & 3rd grades will be in the 1st shift (11:20-12:20) and 1st & 4th are in the second shift (12:10-1:10). We need volunteers to track laps and supervise. If you are interested in helping out please contact Rebekah Erck at rbreech18@hotmail.com. Thanks!

YEARBOOK

If you capture great moments from your students' field trips, class parties, sporting events or other school functions be sure to submit them to the Yearbook Chair, Michelle Martin, at michellepto@jmm.bz.

SPELLING BEE

The Spelling Bee is going to be held on Oct 18th at Symmes. Parents are welcome to attend. The top 5 kids from each 4th grade classroom (total of 25 kids) will be participating in the final Spelling Bee. We hope to see you there!

CARNIVAL

Carnival is the PTO's biggest fundraiser of the year! Preparations for Carnival take place all year long and it's not too early to get started. There are many moving parts to this awesome event and we need your help. Funds earned at Carnival support many of the programs that benefit our kids and provide our teachers with opportunities to help them excel.

We are starting NOW to put together a committee to work on this year's Carnival. Please start thinking about your interests and talents and how you can help make this the best fundraiser yet. Please contact Leigh Grause at lgrause@hotmail.com for details or questions. No commitment is too small, we have opportunities to help for every level of interest. Our goal is to work together and have FUN!

SYMMES SPOTLIGHT

Symmes Spotlight is a special program to recognize individual students during the year. We're looking for Monday morning volunteers to help students' share their stories. This is a great way to get to know Symmes students and help them shine! The time commitment is approximately 30-40 minutes on a Mon. morning and we still have many available spots. Please also contact Sunny Pitt (prtlyclady@hotmail.com) if you are interested in helping or have any questions.

STAFF APPRECIATION

The Staff Appreciation team would like to set up a "Culinary Committee" made up of people who are interested in sending in food items, paper products, etc. for the various Staff Appreciation meals provided. If you are interested in joining please contact Brittany Haines at bhaines618@gmail.com and help us appreciate our awesome staff members!

HEALTH SCREENINGS

Hearing and Vision Screenings will take place in October. Volunteers are needed, no previous training required! We will train you! Please keep an eye out for further information coming soon and to sign up for a shift if interested in helping!