



# Glencairn Parent-Teacher Organization

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Nurturing Each Child  
Educating All Students  
Building World Citizens

## January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Newsletter

Dear Glencairn Families,

### Upcoming Events!

The PTO is sponsoring two great events in the next month!

- **Math Night will be held on January 24<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00 p.m.** This will be a great time to come in from the cold and experiment with all things numbers! Volunteers from MSU will play math and logic games with students in the gym. We could always use volunteers – if you're available for set-up, clean-up, or welcoming guests, please email Jennifer Pace at [jennifer.e.pace@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.e.pace@gmail.com). Busses will be available from Spartan Village and 1855 Place at 6:15 and 6:20, respectively. See the attached flyer for details.
- **Don't forget to hold the date for Taste of Glencairn which will be held on February 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:30 p.m.** Bring the family and taste food from all over the world! If you would like to share a dish from your country or culture, please fill out and return the flyer that follows this newsletter or use the Sign Up Genius: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c4ca8ac2da6fc1-taste1>. We also need volunteers for this popular event!

### Popcorn is Poppin'

We are looking for a few more people to help with popping popcorn on Fridays this winter and spring. Popping takes place most Fridays from 1:30-3:30 in the lunchroom. It raises money for our PTO and brings a huge smile to the children! The machine is easy to use, you will be trained and you will work with a partner. We would love to find a few people willing to come once a month, but even a single time will be helpful. If interested email

[glencairnvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:glencairnvolunteer@gmail.com) or sign up:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4da8ae2aa7fb6-popcorn>

### December 12<sup>th</sup> and January 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the December 12<sup>th</sup> PTO meeting have been posted on the PTO Facebook page and also on our Website: <http://elps.k12.mi.us/our-schools/glencairn-elementary-school/parentsstudents/glencairn-school-association/meeting-minutes/>. Minutes from the January 9<sup>th</sup> PTO meeting will be posted in the near future.

## **PTO Budget Updates**

Great news! Due to contributions made to the PTO late in December and higher than anticipated spirit wear and reward earnings, we are able to fully fund expenditures identified in the approved PTO budget. In addition, the Imagination Playground approved for purchase using the remaining PTO playground funds, earnings from the football gear auction, and other resources, has been ordered and should arrive in March.

## **Let's get together! Next PTO Meeting is February 13<sup>th</sup>.**

We always want to hear from you and we want you to hear what's going on in our school community. All parents are invited to the next PTO meeting in the Glencairn Elementary Library. **We will have social time from 6:30-7:00 p.m. with our meeting time from 7:00-8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>.** Childcare is available for elementary aged children if you need it. Transportation can also be arranged from Spartan Village or 1855 Place. Please email [karinpolischuk@hotmail.com](mailto:karinpolischuk@hotmail.com) if you need either care or transportation.

## **Many Thanks!**

**We were recently surprised with a very generous donation from Peto, Ash, and Athena Gregg's great-grandfather. The PTO is very appreciative of this donation from Donald Henderson!**

## **Reminder...**

Just a reminder to anyone who has donated to the PTO this year, especially during the Fun Run, that your donations are tax deductible.

## **Wrapping it up...Mark Your Calendars!**

**January 15<sup>th</sup>** – No School – MLK Day

**January 24<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:00 p.m.** - Math Night

**February 7<sup>th</sup> 6:00-7:30 p.m.** – Taste of Glencairn

**February 13<sup>th</sup>** – PTO Meeting in Glencairn Library

**6:30 p.m.** Social Time

**7:00-8:00 p.m.** Meeting

**February 14<sup>th</sup>** – Special Person's Tea

**February 19<sup>th</sup>** – No School – Presidents' Day

**March 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Book Bingo

**May 10<sup>th</sup>** – Festival of Cultures (at the High School)

## **Who We Are**

The Glencairn Parent Teacher Organization exists to support the school and teachers, raising money through fundraisers such as the Fun Run, Popcorn Fridays and more. We want to share your ideas and energy to help make the school better.



**Please join us for a “Taste of Glencairn” on February 7, 2018 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm in the gym at Glencairn Elementary School, hosted by the Glencairn Parent Teacher Organization**

Students and their families can sample food from all over the world, represented by our student body, while learning about different nations and cultures.

We are asking parents to assist their child in making and bringing a dish from your family’s nation of origin or cultural background. If you’d like to participate, please use Sign Up Genius (check your email inbox for the School Newsletter!) or fill out the form below and return to the PTO mailbox in the front office by February 2.

**THIS IS NOT A NUT OR ALLERGEN-FREE EVENT.**

*Questions?* Contact Kristin Bellar at [kbealsbellar@gmail.com](mailto:kbealsbellar@gmail.com)

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Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name and Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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