



Glencairn Parent-Teacher Organization

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May 3, 2019 Newsletter

Dear Glencairn Families,

Festival of Cultures is Next Friday

The Festival of Cultures is next Friday, May 10th at 6pm! Students should arrive at 5:45.

This is our annual music & dance concert to celebrate the diversity within our school. Students will parade into the auditorium at the High School. They will walk with a group under a banner that represents their native country or state and perform music and dance selections from all over the world that they have been learning and practicing in music class.

Children are invited to wear any traditional clothing that is representative of their heritage, or clothing that is festive, or special to them. This will be a beautiful evening of music that you will not want to miss! (Bus transportation for families living at Spartan Village or 1855 will be provided.)

Feel free to relax and enjoy the show. It will be professionally recorded and DVDs will be available for cost (about \$10). DVD scholarships are available.



Teacher Appreciation Week

May 6-10th is Teacher Appreciation Week! The Student Leadership Team and the PTO Teacher Appreciation Committee is looking for donations of baked goods to be brought in on May 7th and breakfast items to be brought in on May 8th.

Please help us show our teachers of Glencairn how much we appreciate them with a sweet treat/tasty breakfast item! Check out the sign-up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080A48ACAF28A5FB6-glencairn>



We need your participation!

The Glencairn PTO is planning for the 2019-2020 school year. **We need officers and event chairs to make sure we can provide funds to our school and continue our awesome events.** No experience is necessary and many things can be done at home or in the evening! There are many ways to help including the following positions:

President - set agendas for and run monthly meetings, communicates with staff and event chairs, assist with volunteer recruiting as needed, and provide input for the budget

Vice President - run meetings in the absence of president and assist as needed

Fun Run Chair - help organize and lead the Fun Run on the day of the event, advertise event and donation opportunities to families

Please contact PTO president Karin Polischuk at karinpolischuk@hotmail.com or any of our current members if you are interested in an officer position or chairing/co-chairing an event. If you'd like to get involved but aren't sure how, we would love to give you more information about specific roles and which ones might be a good fit for you. **We plan to vote for the 2019-2020 slate of officers at the May 14th PTO meeting and we welcome all parents to join the meeting if they'd like to vote.** You can still run for a board position even if you aren't able to attend the meeting.

Let's get together! Next PTO Meeting is May 14th.

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 Glencairn PTO meeting in the Red Cedar Elementary Library. **Our meeting time will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14th.** Childcare is available if you need it. Please email karinpolischuk@hotmail.com if you need care.

Thank you!

Thank you to the parents who have signed up to help the school at lunches! We are grateful that most slots are now covered. Though the minimum spots are full extra help is always useful at any lunch period and helpers can just stop by on any day. The greatest need is still Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Mark Your Calendars!

May 6th – Parent night for incoming 6th graders at MacDonald Middle School 6:00-7:00 pm

May 10th – Festival of Cultures at 6:00pm (Student arrival @ 5:45) – High School Auditorium

May 14th – PTO Meeting from 6:30-7:30pm (Kindergarten Teachers Attending)

May 21st – Kindergarten Round-up for 2019-2020 Incoming Kindergarteners

May 21st – 5th Grade Safety Patrol Picnic at Hawk Island

- May 22nd** – 5th Grade Track and Field Day at High School from 9:00-11:30am
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4da4ab28a3ff2-5thgrade1>
- May 23rd** – 4th Grade Track and Field Day at High School from 9:00-11:30am
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4da4ab28a3ff2-4thgrade1>
- May 23rd** – 2nd Grade Field Trip to MSU Children’s Gardens
- May 24th** – Kindergarten’s Year End Field Trip to Patriarche Park
- May 27th** – No School – Memorial Day
- May 28th** – 2nd Grade Field Trip to Impression 5 Science Center
- May 29th** – 5th Grade Field Trip to Henry Ford and Greenfield Village
- May 29th** – Kindergarten Writer’s Celebration at 9:00am – Mrs. Sell’s Class
- May 30th** – Kindergarten Writer’s Celebration at 9:00am – Mrs. Swales’ Class
- May 31st** – Kindergarten Writer’s Celebration at 9:00am – Mrs. Nordquist’s Class
- May 31st** – Glencairn Field Day
- June 4th** – 1st Grade Year-End Activity Day
- June 4th** – 4th Grade Field Trip to Frederik Meijer Gardens and Hoffmaster State Park
- June 4th** – 5th Grade Year-End Picnic
- June 4th** – Mrs. Olance’s Class Trip to Binder Park Zoo
- June 5th** – 3rd, 4th, & 5th Grade to East Lansing Aquatic Center (3rd, 4th, & 5th only – All other grades and classes doing alternative activities)
- June 6th** – Mrs. Ware & Student Leadership Team to City Limits Bowling Year-End Party
- June 6th** – Year End Picnic
- June 7th** – Last Day of School & 5th Grade Graduation – ½ Day

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.