



Glencairn Parent-Teacher Organization
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September 6, 2019 Newsletter

Dear Glencairn Families,

Welcome to the 2019-2020 School Year!

We'd like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the 2019-2020 school year! It's sure to be an exciting year as our Glencairn family takes occupancy in the brand new Glencairn Elementary school building! We hope that you have seen our welcome letter and information packet that was sent home with your student and that everyone is settling in nicely as we finish up the second week.

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.

Announcing FUN RUN!

The Fun Run is in early October and will be here before you know it! This is the PTO's largest fundraiser of the year and the kids find that it is a **fun, healthy, and active outdoor event**. Donations can begin being submitted at any time by sending a check made out to Glencairn PTO or by using the PayPal link (<https://paypal.me/glencairnpto>). **Our goal is to raise \$8,500!** These funds go back to the school for the teachers to use for field trips, resources, and events.

This year the Fun Run is scheduled for **Friday, October 4th**. The event is held during the school day in the afternoon and includes stretching, running activities, music, and a healthy snack for the kids. Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter. More information will be coming soon, but please consider volunteering and cheering your student on if you are available.



Popcorn Friday

Popcorn Friday will be starting with the first delivery on **September 27th** and students who have signed up will receive a bag of freshly popped popcorn to take home! Order forms were sent home with your student and we've also included one with this newsletter. Please turn in your order form soon. Checks can be made out to the Glencairn PTO.

If you'd like to help with popping popcorn on Friday afternoons this year, please sign up here: <http://bit.ly/PopcornFridayvolunteer>.

Glencairn Family Directory

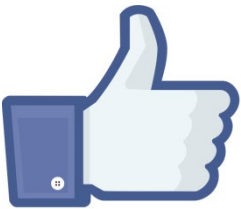
The Glencairn PTO is creating a student directory that will be printed and distributed to all families at Glencairn. It is a great way for families to connect outside of school or for you to be able to communicate with the other children in your child's classroom. In order to protect your privacy, the school cannot share your contact info with the PTO. You must fill out the PTO Student Directory Form **each year** if you would like to be included. Participation is optional. If you choose not to provide your contact information then only your child's name and teacher will be included. This year we are collecting contact information online or a paper form can be picked up in the office.

If you would like to be included, please go to:

<https://tinyurl.com/glencairndirectory2019>

Follow us on Facebook

Our school's **PTO has a Facebook page** to help share the latest news involving our PTO and school community: <https://www.facebook.com/glencairnpto>



We also encourage you to join **Glencairn Elementary Families**. This is an informal Facebook page for parents and members of the school community to ask questions and share information about the school --

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1143041979071281/>. Ask to join, and you'll be gladly accepted!

Let's get together! First PTO Meeting is September 24th.

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 first Glencairn PTO meeting in the Glencairn Elementary Library. **Our meeting time will be from 6:30-8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24th**. Childcare is available if you need it. Please email karinpolischuk@hotmail.com if you need care.

Many Thanks!

Many thanks to the parents who brought breakfast treats for our 1st day of school coffee social!

Mark Your Calendars!

September 10th – Picture Day

September 24th – PTO Meeting from 6:30-8:00pm

September 25th – Late Start for Professional Development – School starts at 10:45am

October 4th - Fun Run

October 11th – Fun Run Rain Date

October 15th – ½ Day – School ends at 12:10pm

October 17th – ½ Day – School ends at 12:10pm

October 22nd – ½ Day – School ends at 12:10pm

October 23rd – Late Start for Professional Development – School starts at 10:45am

2018-2019 PTO Membership

Please feel free to contact us anytime:

- President - Karin Polischuk, karinpolischuk@hotmail.com
- Vice President - Josh Vincent, jvinc2002@gmail.com
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- District Parent Council Rep - Catherine Chin Schwartz, catpchin@hotmail.com
- Volunteer Coordinator - Jen Pace, Jennifer.e.pace@gmail.com
- Fun Run Chair – OPEN
- Science Night Co-Chairs - Polly Synk, pollysynk1@me.com & Josh Vincent, jvinc2002@gmail.com
- Book Fair Co-Chairs – Robin Vallender, Robinvallender@gmail.com & Victoria Solomon, victoriasolomon@gmail.com
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- End of Year Picnic Chair – OPEN
- Yearbook Chair – Kim Ringlever, kimringlever@yahoo.com
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- Math Night Chair – Erin Black, Erin.black9@icloud.com
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