

General PTO Meeting  
AGENDA

Topic	Notes / Discussion
PTO Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●</li> </ul>
Mrs. Trump Extended Day Instruction Overview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mrs. Trum is a5th grade teacher and is the Mt. horeb Contact for the program</li> <li>● Federally funded- Pre- Intervention Program               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ More for students that have not been identified as needing services yet.</li> <li>○ Lower tier of support than given to students who have already been identified as needing services during the school day</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Last year the program was running as it is considered COVID funding.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ ALT and MT Horeb don't qualify for Title One Funding so would need a grant/money in the budget for it to continue next year</li> </ul> </li> <li>● For students in Grades 1-8 struggling in math or language arts               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Data from multiple indicators and staff feedback</li> <li>○ Iready, BAS, Daily classroom performance</li> </ul> </li> <li>● 10 staff members have volunteered               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 13-14 groups formed</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Homeroom teacher will contact parents of students found eligible               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Eligibility letter sent home</li> <li>○ consent form must be sent back</li> <li>○ students and teachers paired up based on availability</li> <li>○ 10-12 week period with reassessing for next round</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Sessions will be multiple times a week and students must be on time.</li> </ul>

	<p>Absences need to be communicated to instructor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Visit district webpage for more information</li> </ul>
<p><b>Mr. Cook Update</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Kids are settling into the new normal</li> <li>● Trunk or Treat was a huge success-Thank you to committee</li> <li>● Halloween Parade- Parking was tricky but learned lessons for the future</li> <li>● Conferences were very successful       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Reach out if you felt differently</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Book Fair very successful and thank you to Ms. Chibwe and all volunteers and PTO for sponsoring books</li> <li>● Staffing changes       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Grade 2 SE- Mrs. Harris retiring, Mrs. Skierski replacing on Jan 2.</li> <li>○ Multi Duty Para Mrs. Russo retiring, a current sub is replacing on Jan 2</li> <li>○ Karen Riggi coming as new classroom para in 1st grade on 11/20</li> <li>○ Mrs. Annese Retiring in grade 3 and Ms. Trimble (prek Para) replacing Jan 2.</li> <li>○ Mrs. Kenny returns on Jan 2 to grade 2</li> <li>○ Mrs. Maginer (currently in for Mrs. Kenny)replaces Ms. Trimble in PreK</li> <li>○ Ms. Barlik fills in for Mrs. Runfola as Preschool Speech Therapist</li> <li>○ Mrs. Sutherland returns on 3/28, Ms. Johnstone filling in currently</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Garden Update       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Thank you Mrs. Chesaniuk and volunteers for bringing garden back to life</li> <li>○ Goal to have a Farm to Table event in the spring</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Field Trips at every Grade level       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ K-Wightman farm</li> <li>○ 1- Police Dept and Library</li> <li>○ 2- Seaquest Zoo and Aquarium</li> <li>○ 3-RVCC Planetarium</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 4-Local History Tour of Warren</li> <li>○ 5-Biztown</li> <li>● Cultural Proficiency in staff being developed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Book “Culturally Responsive Teaching and the Brain” being utilized via Book Study</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Principals Council is up and running <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Voluntary opportunity to have lunch and chat with Mr. Cook about anything</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Preschool Pals- K-5 students work/play with preschoolers</li> <li>● Snow Play Days- Hoping for a good winter!</li> <li>● Kids will go outside when cold- pack gloves, hats, jackets all winter</li> <li>● HIB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Not all bad behavior is HIB</li> <li>○ Talking to school first can help the situation</li> <li>○ Parents do have the right to file a HIB via website</li> <li>○ When HIB is filed the focus often shifts from students’ behavior to the process, frustration, documentation,etc.</li> <li>○ All disciplinary moments, large or small , are documented and discoverable whether classified HIB or not</li> </ul> </li> <li>●</li> </ul>
<p><b>Dr. S Mindfulness</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● She's in classrooms 1 time every 6 days.</li> <li>● Mindfulness consists of :</li> <li>● Awareness of feelings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ability to create space between identifying a feeling and choosing when and how to react</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Kindness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accepting yourself and others, developing resiliency</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Breathing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Conscious awareness of the rhythm of your breath to help anchor your body in the present</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Body</li> <li>● Awareness of Thoughts</li> <li>● Mindfulness training builds a solid foundation to build upon emotional tools</li> <li>● Often tell students to pay attention but how often do we show them how?</li> <li>●</li> </ul>
<b>PTO Updates:</b>	
<b>Book Fair/Trunk or Treat Recap</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Amazing- Thank you to everyone</li> <li>● 726 people registered, 15 families showed up at the door</li> <li>● Better without trunks in the middle</li> <li>● Parents do need to be there to supervise their children. Not a drop off event.</li> <li>● May rethink Pizza giveaway vs sales due to difficulty in predicting orders/waste in leftover pizza</li> <li>●</li> </ul>
<b>Holiday Boutique</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Dec 4th-6th</li> <li>● Envelopes/Information will be sent home after Thanksgiving</li> <li>● Signups for volunteers will go out shortly</li> <li>● Setup Friday/Breakdown Wednesday</li> <li>● No Preview Day- But general pricing guidelines will be sent home</li> <li>●</li> </ul>
<b>Class Parties</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Thank you for wonderful Halloween parties!</li> <li>● Reminder to HRP/Photographers to check with teachers about children who are not supposed to be photographed</li> <li>● Please do not post publicly pictures from school/parties that contain other children, especially those you do not know, regardless of their photo consent.</li> </ul>
<b>Receipt Submission</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Please submit receipts for out of pocket expenses to Toni-Ann</li> <li>● Helps us to plan budget for next year</li> </ul>
<b>Winter Club Information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● PTO clubs are afterschool, teacher led are before school</li> <li>● M-Soccer</li> <li>● T-Drama</li> <li>● W-OTC</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Th-Chess</li><li>● F-Art</li><li>● Registration to come out mid December for mid January start</li></ul>
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