# **Central Elementary PTA**

Working together for the good of our family

## April 9, 2019

### PTA Open House is April 15

Parents and teachers, please join us for refreshments on Monday, April 15, between 2 and 5 p.m., in the school library. Come learn about Central PTA programs, share ideas, and find out how you can help. At Central, "We Are Family," and the PTA is a great way to be involved. The PTA needs officers and committee members as well as "helpers" who want to assist in small, easy ways, such as:

- Writing thank you notes to walkathon business sponsors.
- Copying newsletters or Tuesday folder flyers and putting them in teacher boxes.
- Packing "Clothes Closet" bags for students in the fall and/or spring.
- Emailing parents and teachers to coordinate Valentine's Day parties.
- Arranging in-school assemblies and/or performances.
- Putting hospitality treats in teacher boxes.
- Updating the PTA website.



#### Nominating Committee Accepting PTA Officer Nominations

PTA members Melissa Jones, Janelle Lewis, and Carol Penney agreed to serve as our nominating committee, responsible for recruiting and accepting nominations for new Central PTA officers, including president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. These officers may serve one or two two-year terms, beginning with the 2019-20 school year. PTA members will vote to elect new officers at the PTA meeting on Wednesday, May 15, at 5:30 p.m.

To nominate yourself or someone else, email a committee member:

Melissa, <u>mjohnson37@comcast.net;</u> Janelle, <u>i.janellalewis@gmail.com;</u> Carol, <u>cspenney@comcast.net</u>;

or the PTA general email <u>centralbearspta@gmail.com</u> or send a note to school labeled "PTA Nominations". All nominations must be received by Wednesday, April 17, 2019.



#### **Reflections Contest Participants Recognized**

Sixteen Central students received certificates and ribbons at the PTA Reflections awards presentation on March 29, prior to the Virginia Rep on Tour performance of "Jack and the Bean-stalk." Local artists judged students' Literature, Photography, and Visual Arts entries in December, and first place winners advanced to the Virginia PTA state contest. Central's winners were:

**First Place** – Josie Bryant, Jessica Camper, Calvin Clark, Ian Johnson, Olivia McCoy, and Carson Slaydon



**Second Place** – Vivian Carrico, Jackson Crutchfield, and Jamie Johnson

**Third Place** – Cora Conway, Louise Conway, Judd DuPaix, and Ella Schucker

Honorable Mention – Libby Slaydon, Annalise Smith, and Elinor Swinson

At the state contest, lan Johnson received an honorable mention for his photography entry.

## Domino's Pizza Day Earned \$600 for CES PTA!

Pizza sales on March 21 resulted in \$600 for the Central PTA. Thank you, Central families and friends -- and especially the Lexington Domino's -- for your support.



Please join us for this month's meeting Wednesday, April 17th, at 5:30 pm in the Central Elementary Library. We will review PTA activities to date, discuss plans for future activities and answer your questions. We appreciate your support and hope to see you on Wednesday. Central Elementary



## **CES PTA Scholarship: Completed Applications Due May 1st**

A \$500 award will be given to a RCHS 2019 graduate, who meets the criteria—attended CES for at least 3 years, K-5th grade; demonstrates excellent moral character, good citizenship, and community service; and intends to pursue an academic or technical program in the fall of 2019. Applications can be found in the RCHS Guidance Department or downloaded from the CES PTA website. Complete applications are due May 1st, to Ms. VanRavenswaay in the RCHS Guidance Department.

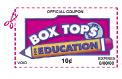
#### **Clothes Closet Update**

Thank you to everyone who has generously donated to the Central Clothes Closet! We couldn't provide this important service for our students without the support of our community and school family. If you'd like to help, the Clothes Closet is currently in need of the following items:

- Girls Shorts, sizes 8-16
- Girls Short Sleeve Shirts, sizes 8-16

If you can donate these items (new or gently used), please send them to Central labeled "Clothes Closet". If you have questions, please contact Lindsay Perry at <u>lindsaymperry@hotmail.com</u>. Thank you for your help!

#### It's Still Hip to Clip



Remember to include student's name, teacher's name, and house color on your Box Top baggies. The top-collecting class and

house color will be chosen based on Box Tops turned in by April 15. It's a close competition among the classes; the difference between the current first and third place class is only five Box Tops! Every Box Top earns cash for Central, so keep collecting!

### Spring McTeacher Night is May 8

Dine in or drive through the Lexington McDonald's on Wednesday, May 8, between 5 and 8 p.m., and you'll help Central Elementary School. McDonald's will donate **20 percent** of all "McTeacher Night" sales to our PTA! Mrs. Parker, principal; Mr. Owens, assistant principal; and many Central teachers will be there to greet and serve you. Plus, you can purchase a McTeacher reusable "BOGO" card for just \$5. Invite your family and friends for a fun evening with your fellow Central Bears. No coupon or flyer is required. We are grateful to our local McDonald's for helping the PTA fund important programs at Central.

#### **Family Fun Night**

Family Fun Night on Friday, April 26, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., will be held outside as long as the weather is nice. Admission is \$5 per family, and entertainment will include:

- Bounce houses
- Face painting
- Prize walk
- Balloon animals by "Balloon Dude Travis"
- Pizza, hot dogs, popcorn, chips, candy, and drinks for sale.



#### **Important Dates 2019**

- Tuesday, April 9, 3:20 p.m.—Time Together Tuesday on the playground
- April 10-11—Kindergarten screening days
- Monday, April 15—Box Tops for Education contest ends
- Monday, April 15, 2-5 p.m.—PTA Open House, Central Library
- Tuesday, April 16—Interim report cards distributed
- Wednesday, April 17, 5:30 p.m.—Central PTA meeting; PTA officer nominations due
- Thursday, April 18, 6 p.m.—K and 1st grade music performance
- Wednesday, April 24—SOL Testing begins
- **Thursday, April 25**—"A Day in K" at Hull's Drive-in for new kindergarten families in Rockbridge County
- Friday, April 26, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Family Fun Night
- Wednesday, May 1—PTA Scholarship applications due to Ms. VanRavenswaay
- May 6 through 10—Teacher Appreciation week
- Tuesday, May 7, 3:20 p.m.—Time Together Tuesday on the playground
- Wednesday, May 8, 5-8 p.m. McTeacher Night at Lexington McDonald's
- Wednesday, May 15, 5:30 p.m.—Central PTA meeting and election of PTA officers
- Wednesday, May 22, 9:30-11:30 a.m.—Central Field Day
- Friday, May 24—Last day of school

Visit <u>www.centralelementarypta.com</u> for current PTA information.

Questions? Email <u>centralbearspta@gmail.com</u>.

#### 2018 Walkathon Sponsors

Legacy Bears Shenandoah Dental Studio

Visionary Bears Pronto Caffè - Sheetz