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# **PTA NEWSLETTER** May 2019



# Thank You Message from Tracy Johnson, PTA President!

As we move into the final month of the 2018-19 school year, I would like to take this opportunity to **thank everyone** who has supported the PTA and Northwest this year either through your **membership**, **volunteer time**, **business partnership**, or overall commitment to championing and encouraging your student's education every day.

We have a wonderful community of **administration**, **support staff**, **teachers**, **parents**, **volunteers**, **and business leaders** at Northwest, and all your efforts make our school consistently one of the best in Hillsborough County!

I am thrilled to announce the PTA has raised **\$48,898** this year (thru April) to provide **valuable technology and learning resources** to the classroom and host **programs** that enhance our children's educational experiences.

The #1 priority of PTA is to serve as advocates for the education, health, and well-being of all children. We accomplish that here at Northwest through fundraising to provide financial support and striving to be your go-to source for education news from the local, county, state, and national level.

Thank you for partnering with the PTA to support our students!



#### You Are Invited: May 21st Final PTA General Meeting + Board Elections + Chorus Concert

Please join us for the **Final PTA General Meeting** of the Year! **5:30** - Free Food in the Cafeteria / **6:00** - General Meeting in Cafeteria - We will be presenting a slate of candidates for the 2019-2020 Elected Board positions, and will need your vote! / **6:30** - Chorus Concert in the covered pavilion *Merchandise Clearance Sale on Close-out Items!* 







## **Upcoming Events**

May 3 9:50 AM-1:15 PM Snow Cones 6:30-8:30 PM Dad's Club Bowling Night at Pin Chasers on W. Hillsborough Ave

> May 6-10 Teacher Appreciation Week

May 7 7:45-8:45 AM PTA Executive Board Meeting

May 21 5:30-7:30 PM Last General PTA Meeting + Elections + Chorus Concert in Cafeteria and Covered Pavilion

May 24 7:10-9:30 AM School Store in Room 143 (K-2nd)

**May 27** No School - Memorial Day

May 28 Last Minute Club Celebration in school field

May 29 10:45 AM-1:10 PM 5th Grade Banquet + Clapout

> May 31 Report Cards & LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

June 7 6:00-8:00 PM Night out with Northwest - SkateWorld

> 2019-2020 Classes Resume August 12, 2019





#### ADVOCACY: Florida Standards Review for New Curriculum



Here is your chance to voice your opinion on the curriculum you would like to see for your child(ren).

Florida Governor Ron DeSantis has eliminated Common Core and has tasked the Florida Department of Education to seek input from residents to help develop standards for the new public school curriculum.

Click **Here** for the complete article and link to the survey. Opinions and answers are at the sole discretion of the person taking the survey.



Any parental figure of a Northwest student is welcome to volunteer and be appointed to the Board. We need your talent! The PTA advocates and raises money for Northwest and our children!

If you are interested in making a difference, please email Tracy Johnson at nwepta.president@gmail.com. **We** would love to have you join us!

#### Congratulations to the PTA Communications Team on County Award!

Big Congratulations to our Communications Team for their efforts in winning the Hillsborough County PTA/PTSA Communications Award for 2019!

The award submission was judged in 3 main categories: #1 - our website (Maria Patterson), #2 - our newsletter (Maria Patterson), and #3 - our social media (Kerry Morneau). We also submitted other forms of communications such as: School Marquee (Paula Berry) Signs (the whole board that helped on each event) Homeroom Rep Communication (Maurine Thomas) National & State & Local PTA Communications (Tracy Johnson) Parent Link (Barbara Furman) Awards Committee submission (Jen Waldhauser)

Congratulations and Thank You for all your time and hard work!



Maria Patterson and Tracy Johnson with Superintendent of Hillsborough County Schools, Jeff Eakins

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