

Fullerton PTA Meeting

February 6, 2024

The meeting started at 7:02 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tomorrow is the **100th day of school!** Thank you to everyone who helped our school win the Sign Gypsies Baldwin sign for out front tomorrow.

Our **Valentine's Day sweetheart lunch** is February 14th. We really need parents to complete the [BCPS volunteer training](#) to attend. Please be sure to complete it and have the paperwork turned into the office by February 12.

Read Across America is the first week of March. A flier will be coming home from the school with information about the theme days.

Fundraising Report

Our next spirit night is on 2/16 at Chuck E. Cheese at the Parkville location from 3-9pm. Chuck E will be at the school after school to promote this spirit night.

The Panda Express spirit night made \$84.96. The Frank's Pizza spirit night made \$219.78.

The Hershey Park fundraiser will be starting soon. More details to come.

Our 2nd annual Savers Donation Drive will be after Spring Break. The more stuff you donate (toys, clothes, household goods, etc.), the more we make! (But please note, we cannot take furniture.)

Yearbook Report

If your child is in 5th grade this year, please be sure to email Brittany Jeffries (fullertonES.yearbook@gmail.com) ONE baby picture of your child by February 29th. Remember to include your child's name in the email!

Thank you to Brit Hazel for putting names with pictures for the yearbook. It was a tremendous help!

We need a class photo for each class. We haven't gotten as many candid class pictures this year. Is there a day when class pictures could be taken, like they are done with the clubs? Or can teachers take some candid pictures? Brittany will coordinate with Ms. Jones.

Ms. Lissau is wrapping up the yearbook cover contest with the 5th graders.

Treasurer's Report

\$6,750.00	Starting Balance
Expenses	To/From/Reason
\$2,422.00	Entourage Yearbooks
Deposits	
\$210.00	Spirit wear
\$92.00	Vocal Music Club flower sales
\$90.00	Membership
\$4,748.00	Penguin Patch
\$9,468.00	Ending Balance

Important Upcoming Dates

Friday, February 9	Professional Development Day – no school for students
Wednesday, February 14	Valentine's Day Sweetheart Lunch
Monday, February 19	Presidents Day – schools are closed
Thursday, February 22	Two's Day – wear a tie, tie-dye, or a tutu
March 2nd – 6th	Read Across America
Tuesday, March 5	Next PTA Meeting
March 25th – April 1st	Spring Break

Testing Updates

Fullerton is still in the middle of ELL testing, but it will be wrapping up soon.

All students K-5 are currently completing their winter MAP assessments in math and ELA. The reports from these tests will be sent home in the spring.

Fullerton has been selected to participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The test will be administered to 51 of our 4th graders on March 7th. The students were randomly selected to participate.

The 5th grade science assessments are coming up in March too.

Principal's Report

The [BCPS climate survey](#) has started and will be open until March 8. All stakeholders—including parents, guardians, and community members—are invited to participate.

Bus riders will participate in a bus evacuation drill soon. They will disembark the bus from the back. If parents previously completed the form in the fall stating that their child should not participate in the drill due for medical reasons, that request will still be observed.

We have three snow days built into the calendar. So far, we have used two snow days. If we use one more, then future inclement weather days will be virtual learning days. On those virtual learning days, school will be on a two-hour delay schedule so that teachers have time to adjust their lesson plans. Students should expect to participate in 4-hours of live online learning via Google Meet.

2nd quarter grades are available in Focus now, but if you want a paper copy, you can request one from your child's homeroom teacher.

If your child is eligible to attend summer school, please note that it will not take place at Fullerton Elementary this year, but it will be in a school nearby.

Other

If your 5th grader applied to be in a middle school magnet program, acceptance letters are being sent out on Friday, February 9.

For Two's Day on February 22, students can bring in donation items starting at the beginning of that week.

For Read Across America week, a question was asked about PTA volunteers reading in the classroom. Mrs. Salkowski said parent/guest readers are always welcome, but they do need to coordinate with their child's teacher and by BCPS volunteer trained.

Our next PTA Meeting is Tuesday, March 5th at 7:00p.m. It will be in-person and online. We hope to see you there!

In Attendance

In-Person

Sarah Twist, President
Brittany Jeffries, Yearbook
Susannah Ray, Secretary
Morgan Edwards

Online

CeCe7
Taisha Andrews
Charlene Andryszak, Teacher
G Anene
Britni Hazel, School Spirit Coordinator
Brittani Carolan, Teacher
Cassandra Chaney
Tanae D
Tara Jones, Teacher
Joe Kirby, Vice President
Aleshia Shifflett
The Merendinos
Monica Offerman, Treasurer
Candace Salkowski, Principal
Vicki Waite, Assistant Principal