




WOODLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA   
HOME OF THE WIZARDS

# PTA Meeting

May 2nd, 2023



# **Election - PTA Board for 2023-2024**

# 2023-2024 PTA Board Nominees

**President - Angie Lai**

**Treasurer - Kristin Smart**

**Assistant Treasurer - Siobhan Chambers (appointed position)**

**Vice President of Administration - Hye-soo Baek**

**Vice President of Advocacy - Mary Haas**

**Secretary - Lauren Boylan**

# 2023-2024 PTA Board Committee Chairs

**Events - Mikey Franklin**

**Enrichment - Joanna Snyder**

**Communications - Mario Guzman**

**Membership - Joel Iams and Helen Zaitsev**

**Fundraising - Christine Lao-Scott**

**Outreach - Jasmine Hunt**

**MCCPTA Delegate - Hilary Stathes**

# **Community Connections #2 with Mr. Jackson**

# Community Connections - Safety and Security

## Safety and Balance

- Striking the balance between preparing the kids for possible event/issue without scaring them\*\*\*\*
- Transparency into bus issues\*\*\*\*
- Communication
- Follow up
- Parent support if late for pick up
- Bathroom usage rules and opportunities to reinforce at home
- Transparency and communication regarding behavioral issues and consequences\*\*\*
- What type of safety drills do students engage in on a weekly/monthly/annual basis? How? When?
- Are family/community members able to come into the school? How? When?
- Concern regarding building access
- Consent education at school
- Student anxiety with active shooting drills
- Do patrols talk about equity or bias? (Training)

# Safety Drills

The State of Maryland requires six annual mandated drills: **lockdown; shelter-in-place; evacuation; reverse evacuation; severe weather; drop, cover, and hold (earthquake)**; and also, strongly encourages the practice of a Lockdown with Options (Avoid, Deny, Defend).

Some of these drills can be combined, such as a lockdown and shelter-in-place or an evacuation and a reverse evacuation.

## **All schools must practice fire evacuation drills.**

For schools that are **fully protected by automatic fire sprinklers**, five fire evacuation drills are required, two of which must be conducted during the first four months of school.

For schools that are **not fully protected by automatic fire sprinklers**, eight fire evacuation drills are required, with at least three during the first four months of school.

In an emergency situation, call **911**

In a non-emergency situation, call the MCPS non-emergency number **(240)683-1600**

# MCPS STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

English

2022–2023

## STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

in **Montgomery County Public Schools**

[www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org)

Federal and state laws, Montgomery County Board of Education policies, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) administrative regulations, and other guidelines are subject to change and shall supersede the statements and references contained in this publication.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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# MCPS STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT



**MCPS Transportation Randolph Depot 240-740-2610**

**Angela A. Haynes**

MCPS-DOT

Transportation Cluster Manager

Einstein Cluster

240-740-2608 off

# Enrichment

## Geography Bee *Ongoing*

Students in grades 3-5 have all received Geography study packets in preparation for the preliminary Geo Bee to be held the last week of March right before Spring Break. The finals will be held on **Wednesday May 24th**. A huge thank you to our amazing Geo Bee Team: Joel Iams, Steven Kania and Laura Blinkhorn! Also big thanks to Ms. Ott who is our faculty liaison for this event.

# Outreach

## Expanding Access through WhatsApp

- Pilot program coming soon!
- WhatsApp usage is highest among many of the communities our PTA struggles to reach.
- Many ad-hoc WhatsApp groups for classes and bus stops exist already.
- WhatsApp's new "Communities" functionality would enable us to have a central school-wide PTA group for announcements.
- WhatsApp "Communities" will also allow us to coordinate with individual groups for each class, and communities like Spanish speakers or parents of Black students.
- Moderation will be needed, as well as guidelines for engagement.

# Join our PTA WhatsApp Community!



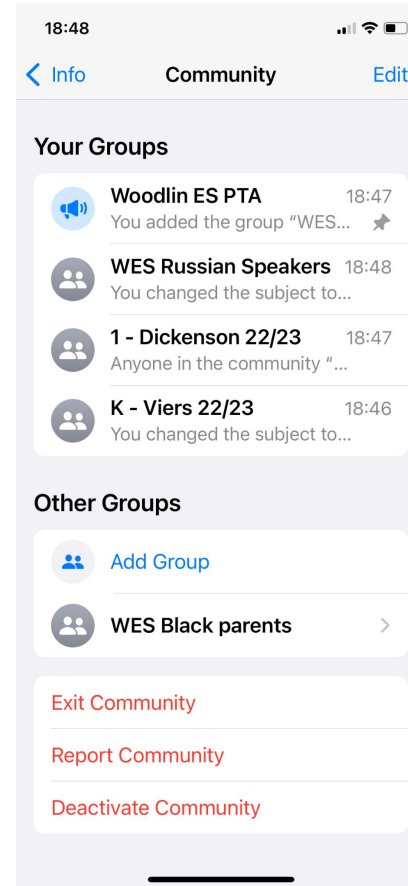
# Woodlin PTA WhatsApp en Español



# Expanded Access & Outreach

If you have thoughts or suggestions about using WhatsApp for our school, or about other ways to expand our outreach:

[mikeyfranklin22@gmail.com](mailto:mikeyfranklin22@gmail.com)



# International Spring Fair

*Saturday, May 6 at Grosvenor*



- **Rock Wall & Inflatables**
- **Cake Walk, Food Trucks**
- **Petting Zoo, Color Fest, and More!**



# Volunteer Opportunities

**Volunteer with the PTA next year!** *We are looking for people to help support or coordinate PTA initiatives and events for next year:*

- Movie Night
- Family Dance
- Family Skate Night
- Geography Bee
- Stem Day
- Earth Day
- International Spring Fair
- Spring Book Fair
- Dine Out Fundraisers
- Arts Residencies & Assemblies
- Diversity Month Celebrations
- Social Media Coordinator
- WhatsApp Moderators
- Volunteer Coordinator

Not sure but curious? Contact [president@woodlinpta.org](mailto:president@woodlinpta.org) with questions!



# Upcoming Events

**GEO Bee** *finals on May 24th, 2023*

**International Spring Fair** *Saturday May 6 at Grosvenor, 1:00-4:30pm*

Enjoy games, activities, and performances at Grosvenor!

**Joint Sligo PTSA Meeting** *Tuesday May 9th, 7:00-8:00pm at Sligo MS*

“Ask Me Anything” on the middle school transition.

**PTA Meeting** *Tuesday June 6th via Zoom, 8pm*

*\*\*\*The PTA plans to sponsor buses to all PTA activities held at Grosvenor to ensure all families have the opportunity to attend\*\*\**



**Q&A**

**And thank you for joining us!**