

## SURFSIDE ELEMENTARY PTO NEWSLETTER-NOVEMBER 2019



This past week your child should have come home with an Otis Spunkmeyer cookie sales packet. It has been several years since Surfside PTO has done a take-home fundraiser and parents have requested that we bring this one back. Each sale benefits the school and this money will be used in partnership with Surfside Elementary. Project ideas include a property golf cart, continued technology upgrades for staff (the \$2000 just approved by PTO only covered 12 teachers) and other ideas. **Completed orders with money are due this Friday, November 8 by the end of school.** We will be placing our order that afternoon to ensure cookies will be delivered before winter break, so late orders will not be accepted. The company will provide about a week's notice of the cookie delivery and PTO will turn around with that information as soon as we have it. Thank you for your continued support!



You may not be thinking about Backyard BBQ, but we are!! This year, in order to streamline the process and give our basket coordinators time to take advantage of sales, we will be collecting basket donations in advance. We will still set the basket themes and purchase items according to grade level donations. We hope this helps our busy room moms and makes things easier for families as we approach the end of the school year. We are asking for \$5/child. Please write down their grade level when sending in money.

For those of you who have turned in your \$5/child for the Backyard BBQ baskets, we are incredibly thankful for your support. At this time, we have received basket donations for only 40 children, less than 10% of the student population. Please turn in these donations ASAP so we can take advantage of holiday sales for baskets. Also, do you have an idea for a basket? Let us know at [surfsidepto@gmail.com](mailto:surfsidepto@gmail.com). We'd love to hear from you!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Friday, November 8** - Veteran's Day performance! We're all excited for Surfside's annual Veteran's Day performance. This year, we would like to provide shade for our men and women who have served. Please sign up using the link on Facebook or email [surfsidepto@gmail.com](mailto:surfsidepto@gmail.com) if we can borrow a tent, you can help us set up or break down tents, and/or you can (per Mrs. Masterson's request) help give out water to our performers.

**Thursday, November 14:** PTO meeting at 3pm in the library.

**Monday, November 18:** Save the date and don't plan dinner! The Indian Harbor Beach Firehouse Subs will be hosting a school fundraiser night for us. 20% of the purchases made from 5-8pm that night will come back to Surfside's PTO! Watch for a flier to be sent home in your student's folder. *(A flier **MUST** be presented for us to receive credit. Thank you!)*

**Monday, November 18 - Friday, November 22** - The Surfside Book Fair! Visit the media center during this week to purchase books and support Ms. Herman and our (already) amazing library! Want to help out? Watch for a Signup Genius to be coming out soon!

**Thursday, November 21 and Friday, November 22** - A long-standing Surfside tradition is the annual Thanksgiving feast put

on by our wonderful cafeteria staff. It's always very well attended and a fun time. If you are interested in helping out the staff with this meal on one or both days, it would be greatly appreciated! Please sign up using the link on Facebook or email [surfsidepto@gmail.com](mailto:surfsidepto@gmail.com). The staff thanks you in advance!

**Friday, December 6th** - Holiday family movie night! Save the date and stay tuned for details.

### VOLUNTEER CORNER

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Though we ARE getting close to a full roster, we still have TWO open positions for volunteers this school year. The PTO WILL connect you with those who have run the events in the past. You won't be on your own! If you or you and a friend are interested in helping out in any of the following positions, please contact us at [surfsidePTO@gmail.com](mailto:surfsidePTO@gmail.com). **Sadly, if we do not get volunteers to coordinate the Twilight Run, we will very likely have to cancel this event for the year.**

**Twilight Run Coordinator:** The one mile Twilight Run the night before the Backyard BBQ is a Surfside tradition and an event that the children and families look forward to each year! In order to keep this tradition alive, we need someone (or multiple someones) to step up and organize/run the event. Come on runners! We know you're out there!

**Hospitality Chair:** This committee member handles everything food-related that the PTO oversees, including teacher conference night meals, school events and Backyard BBQ. This person gives input on what items are needed in advance based on previous year's

numbers. The hospitality chair from the previous year is happy to help answer any questions that the new chair may have.

### THANK YOU SUPER SPONSORS

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