

# **ROLES PTO**

Providing Parent Support for Students and Teachers at Riveredge

**May 2021** 

## **Enjoy the Sunshine!**

By Mike Mullen, School Administrator

#### 5th grade position

Next week we will begin interviews for the 5th position next year. We have assembled a team of staff, parents and PTO to participate in the selection process and look forward to finding another great addition to our team.

#### **Donors Choose**

A number of our teachers have submitted projects for funding through Donors Choose and during Teacher Appreciation Week many of those projects were funded!

### May Virtual Friday family learning

Our Family Learning project for May will focus on Invasive species. The activity will come home this Friday and provide information for parents to take part in some restoration work with Invasive Species. The students will also be doing some Invasive Species restoration here at Riveredge with Garlic Mustard.

#### **PTO Board**

President Amy Pollard

Vice President Greta Malek

Treasurer Sarah Fortney

Secretary – Communicating Sarah Neumann

Secretary – Recording Open Position

Volunteer Coordinator Laura Wollersheim

Staff Appreciation Chrissy Knoske Open Position

Fundraising Sarah Neumann Greta Malek

Community Enrichment Laura Wollersheim Ami Rosengren

## **ROLES School Updates Continued**

#### **Moving Day**

We've set Saturday June 5th and Sunday June 6th, if needed, as the furniture moving day for ROLES. Laura Wollersheim has sent out a volunteer notice on Facebook and we are arranging the storage facility and some trucks. Please let us know if you are interested in helping.

#### MAP testing

Teachers have begun the spring map testing in Reading and Math. The results will be shared with parents and through our end of the year report card.

#### **ROLES Clothing**

Shout out to PTO for the new spring wear and getting this to our families they look great and represent our school in a positive light.

## **Updates**



TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK:

Went very well! Muffin Monday Ami R delivered muffins, Treat Tuesday Sarah N handed out \$5 Culvers gift cards, Wonderful Wednesday students tokens of appreciation, Thursday Chrissy K delivered Qdoba lunch (Mr. Sams wasn't there so he received a \$10 gift card instead).

ADMINISTRATIVE DAY was a big hit with Emily as she received a big card and flowers!

We also raised \$242 to fill Mr. Sams fridge! Thank you for all of the support and help with showing our staff lots of love this month!

#### JOIN US!

The PTO Executive Board has openings for Fall 2021:

\* **Treasurer**: Manage finances for PTO with the help of our officer team.

Please join us! We would love to have you! Email Sarah Neumann: roles.pto.secretary@gmail.com

#### **COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT**

Thank you to all who have donated to our school's emergency **snack bins**! We are in need of water bottles and fruit/veggie pouches for the K/1 bins. If anyone is willing to donate, please drop off by Mrs. Weiss.

**Future Ideas/projects** (all pending covid restrictions):

- \* **ROLES used book exchange**-students will bring in one or more books to donate to the exchange and have the opportunity to pick one for themselves to take home.
- \* Character award signs-working on a plan to design and purchase yard signs recognizing ROLES students who have displayed great character at school. The process for recognition is yet to be determined and will be in place come fall!
- \* **Kindergarten Roundup**-planning to have a welcome day for kindergarten families towards middle to end of summer.
- \* New and returning student buddies-the goal is to have a buddy system in place to allow new students to be paired with returning students that can show them the ropes and be a familiar face for the first day. Planning in progress.



#### **FUNDRAISING**

- 1. Stickers/Clings Sale:
- Sold all "Four Walls" Clings and Stickers! Made \$119.48. Thank you all! We will have another sale in the fall.
- 2. Gear Sale:
- ♦ Thank you all! Pick up with be Tuesday 5/11. We sold 122 items and earned \$534! You all are fantastic!
- 3. ROLES Yearbook
- Yearbook is being created currently and will also serve as a fundraiser (raising \$3 per book). In addition, we hope to have a yearbook signing summer playdate when the yearbooks arrive in July! More info to come!

#### **WE THANK YOU!**

Thank you to our wonderful and helpful governance council, Mike Mullen, and Emily Weiss! We so appreciate all you do and all your hard work in the lottery process, policy writing, and so much more!

Thank you!

#### **GOVERNANCE COUNCIL**

As Teacher Appreciation Week comes to a close last week, we want to further extend our appreciation to all the teachers, paras and staff at ROLES. We hope they had a great week and felt loved and appreciated!

The ROLES Governance Council has had a busy spring. We had a retreat and working meeting on May 1st. We are starting the strategic planning process by discussing goals as well as school and Governance Council needs. We are excited for the great work that is in the works!

We also conducted the 2021-2022 School Year lottery and we look forward to welcoming new families as well as seeing familiar faces next year! We know it is hard on many with the limited spots available and we wish that we could service all the families who are interested in their children attending ROLES.

For the families who did not receive a spot, enrollment continuously changes and we encourage families who have any enrollment questions, to please reach out to Mr. Mullen.

## **VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR**

Thank you to all of our daily volunteers helping before school and also those that have been coming in last minute to support teachers in their classrooms! Earth week was also a great success and a lot of credit is owed to the wonderful parents that came in to lend a hand!

Volunteers are needed on SATURDAY, JUNE 5th (maybe Sunday) to help Mr. Mullen move desks and furniture out of the classrooms so that RNC can use these spaces for their summer programming. If you are available and willing, please reach out to Laura at 414-426-1224. Many hands will make light work!

Thank you from ROLES administration:

A HUGE **THANK YOU to the PTO** for all the treats and gifts through Teacher Appreciation Week!! We deeply appreciate your ongoing support and truly enjoy working with your children and the ROLES families every day!



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## **PLANS**

6/14: PTO EXECUTIVE BOARD ONLY Virtual Meeting
6:00-7:00pm

Earth Day Week:

Thank you to all of our fantastic volunteers! You all not only made it possible, but made it an amazingly fun week!