

Current Programs & Upcoming Events

- **Christmas Cookie Walk**: The PTO is excited to host a Christmas Cookie Walk this Saturday, December 3! Join us at Gilbert Elementary from 9-11 a.m. and walk down the line of assorted cookies and treats to pick out one dozen for \$10 and hot cocoa for \$1. Then walk down the halls of the school to see the winter wonderland in the library and tour the decorated classroom doors and vote for your favorite. The winning class will have a cookie and cocoa party sponsored by the PTO! We are still in need of some volunteers and bakers to make it happen. [Christmas Cookie Walk Sign Up](#)
- **Tiny Tigers Play Group**: Join us at the Gilbert Franklin Community Room connected to the fire station for some kid fun and adult conversation. Bring your babies, toddlers and preschoolers, and we'll provide toys and space to play on December 16, 9:30-11:00 a.m. *December 2 group has been CANCELED.*
- **Teachers & Staff Favorite Things**: If you're looking for a personal way to thank teachers and staff, follow the link to their favorite things [HERE](#). And remember, they always love a thoughtful note from parents and students!
- **Staff Appreciation**: We are seeking donations to help us recognize all the staff members who work hard to care for our students each day. If you would like to help us to make their appreciation days special, view the sign up [HERE](#).
- **Special Education Day**: Friday, December 2 is Special Education Day and the PTO is so excited to show the SpEd staff some extra love! Their kindness, patience and hard work are part of what makes Gilbert schools great for everyone!
- **Seven Habits of Highly Effective Families**: Amy Griffin, Intermediate School Principal, is excited to share about a new workshop to support families in bringing the elements of the Leader in Me program into practice at home. PTO is happy to be a partner so that families can attend at no cost. You do not need to have a student at the intermediate school to participate--all families are welcome! See the attached flyer for more info.

Giving Thanks

- **Donations for Conference Meals**: We're so grateful for the families who helped make dinner possible for our teachers and staff during conferences! We served over 300 meals! Special thanks to Chick-fil-A, Fareway North and Pizza Ranch for partnering with us to offer delicious food at a great price. The teachers love this tradition and are so grateful for each meal!
- **Varsity Carwash Fundraiser**: You all showed up and washed your cars during October at Varsity Carwash and earned \$375 for the PTO! And to make it even sweeter, owners Brad and Emily Jensen matched that amount for a total of \$750 to support our efforts! These proceeds will help us do great things, and we hope Varsity has some new superfans!
- **Square 1 Art Fundraiser**: Thank you to everyone who purchased gifts to support our fundraiser this month! We hope the items with your child's artwork will be something you cherish for years to come.
- **Kleenex Donations for High School**: The high school is SO appreciative of the boxes of Kleenex that have been sent in for their students. It's a constant need so if you see a sale and want to stock up, they'll happily take another box any time of the year.

Join us!

Our next PTO meeting is Monday, December 5, 2022, at 7:00 p.m in the Gilbert Intermediate School Library for our Mingle and Jingle Holiday party! We'll cover regular business and then celebrate the season with a simple gift exchange and snacks to share. It would be a great meeting to attend if you have never joined us! Email Annie for more info at pto@gilbertcsd.org. ****Please enter through the west athletic entrance.****

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