

March 2023 Gilbert PTO Newsletter

Our next PTO meeting is **Monday, March 6, 2023, 7:00-8:00 p.m.** in the **HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**. If you need to leave early or arrive late because of conferences, it's no problem!

Giving Thanks

- **Step It Up Fundraiser:** We're thrilled to announce our Step It Up Fundraiser raised \$30,000 to support our schools!!! What a success! This is thanks to our incredibly generous community near and far. The students are already counting down the days to the Day of Awesomeness on May 10!
- **Staff Appreciation Day:** On February 16 we showed our support staff some love with huge baskets of supplies, snacks and gift cards. All your donations made it happen! Plus, [Sign Gypsies Ames](#) donated the festive signage near the roundabout. They offer fun signage for all your celebrations!

Current Programs and Upcoming Events

- **Conference Meals:** Both nights of conferences we serve 140+ dinners to our teachers and staff and fill the fridge in their lounges with drinks. If you want to help support this tradition each school has a sign-up: [Elementary/Intermediate/Middle/High](#).
- **Tissues and Wipes Collection:** We are placing a bin at the entrance of all 4 schools next week for donations of tissues and disinfectant wipes. Supplies are low, and if you have an extra to share when you come to conferences it would be greatly appreciated!
- **Yearbook Ordering:** Now is the time to order your elementary and intermediate yearbooks! Orders can be placed on Infinite Campus through **March 31**. After logging in, select "Fees" from the left-hand column. Click the "Optional Payments" button at the bottom of the screen. Add "ES Yearbook" or "IS Yearbook" to cart for EACH student you need one for.
- **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 March 3 and 24, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Coming Up After Spring Break

- **Bus Driver Breakfast:** Our bus driver breakfast has been postponed to Thursday, April 13, due to school canceled on the original day.
- **Mileage Club:** Get those running shoes ready! Elementary and intermediate love the annual program that encourages them to get their bodies moving! The program is a success every year thanks to MANY volunteers so be on the lookout for how to help.
- **1st Day School Supply Kits:** Plan ahead and order your school supply kit for next fall this spring!

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