

Walker PTA meeting: Thursday, February 24, 2022 @ 7:30pm
Location: Zoom Call

Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89465443563?pwd=T2hvVzNxQTl2czVXSctQdmdnQWpVdz09>

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Principal's Announcements

Teacher Announcements

Executive Committee Announcements

- BLM action week 2/7-11 and Black History Month.
- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. service project.
- Thank you to everyone who stocked the teacher lounges with food and drinks during conferences.
- ESCCA serve 2/26.
- Lou Malnati's fundraiser that partially covers cost of yearbooks for 5th graders will be 3/7-17.
- Yearbooks for purchase (\$13.15 each) by 5/4 at <https://s3.amazonaws.com/print.treering.com/144129/flyer/double-sided/144129-590-598-498636e119e5ae314a97bc8a6c962e7e.pdf>.
- We need photos of school events and classroom activities for the yearbook by 5/4! Details to submit photos for the yearbook can be found at https://s3.amazonaws.com/print.treering.com/144129/flyer/144129-631-3c800fe30e5eeefbba91a79b2a6619fe_8.pdf
- Spirit Week 3/14-18.
- Books and Breakfast.
- PTA Council update.

Treasurer Update

Fundraising Committee Update

- Spirit wear update.
- Restaurant day recap and upcoming 3/2.
- Chicago Wolves fundraiser recap.
- Please sign up at smile.amazon.com and select David E Walker PTA as your charity before you shop at this website.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Update

- BSA Reading Discussions
 - In celebration of Black History Month, we are offering Reading Discussions for K-5 students and parents.
 - Tuesday, 2/22 7-7:45 pm for K-3rd grades: "Sulwe" by Lupita Nyong'o
 - Wednesday, 2/23 7-7:45 pm for 4-5th grades: "The Undeclared" by Kwame Alexander and Kadir Nelson

- Friday, 2/25 7-8 pm for adults: The last story within “The Office of Historical Corrections” by Danielle Evans.
 - Please email walkerblackstudentsachieve@gmail.com if you need to borrow a book.
 - Zoom ID: 682 517 1514 Password: 115133
- FAN Events: <https://www.familyactionnetwork.net/upcoming-events/>; free, but registration is required to obtain a personal link.
- PEP update (Ashanti Madlock-Henderson)

Room Parent Update

New Business

- Elect nominating committee for PTA leadership.

Volunteer Needs

- Bookfair 4/12-13.
- Walkerfest: If you would like to join the committee that helps plan Walkerfest, a carnival style event at school (tentatively 5/21/22 outdoors), please contact Patty Harris (patevertiz@hotmail.com) or Michelle Redmond-Henley (redmond.mk@gmail.com).
- Consider whether you would like to serve on the PTA executive board as a co-president, secretary or treasurer.
- Join Walker Climate Action Team; email jennifergilbert333@gmail.com.

Announcements:

- Girls Play Sports Bowling Tournament for 3rd-8th graders Saturday, 3/5 9:30 am-12 pm
 - At Classic Bowl in Morton Grove
 - No experience necessary. ETHS student coaches and fun provided.
 - Cost is \$35 and scholarships are available.
 - Contact Sarah Ghantous at sarah@teamgps.org or 847-877-2413 with questions.
 - Register at this link: <https://teamgps.sportngin.com/register/form/863918262>
- Spring enrichment enrollment is open now for the 3/7-5/27 session. Please register at <https://rightatschool-walker-elementary.jumbula.com/#/electives-spring-2022>.
- Sign up as a team for the D65 co-ed volleyball league for 4th and 5th graders by 3/11.
 - Four teams will play 4/9, 4/16, and 4/23 from 9-10:30 and 11-12:30 at Fleetwood-Jourdain Community Center.
 - 15-minute games round robin tournament style. Teams will practice once a week before games.
 - Skills and drills 30 minutes before each game day; no experience necessary.
 - If you need help finding a team or coach, contact Liz Brieve at brievae@district65.net and/or Kevin Bohn at bohnk@district65.net.
- Justin Wynn Leadership Academy’s 3 on 3 basketball tournament is back on 3/13 at ETHS’s Beardsley Gym.
 - Register a team of 3 or 4 players and find out more information at www.wynners.org.
 - Co-ed 3rd/4th grade teams will play at 10 am. Co-ed 5th/6th and 7th/8th teams will play at 1 pm.
 - Girls’ 3rd/4th/5th grade teams will play at 10 am. Girls’ 6th/7th/8th grade teams will play at 1 pm.

- Reminder to submit vaccination card images.
 - If your child has received both rounds of their vaccine, please send the card image to school nurse Emily Erickson (erickson@district65.net). She will save vaccine records in the system.
 - If your child has both vaccinations recorded, they will not need to quarantine as a close contact to a positive case unless they develop symptoms or test positive. Vaccine records on file make communication to close contacts faster.
- PTA membership levels, including no barriers membership, allow you to vote on PTA matters like budget items and PEP (PTA Equity Project) decisions.
 - A link to MemberHub and the no barriers membership sign up is on the PTA website now (walkerwoverinespta.com).
 - The next meeting is Thursday, March 31st.
- Walker Cookbook is available to purchase on MemberHub (<https://walker.memberhub.com/store/items/493498>) at a suggested donation of \$10.

Important Dates:

- February 25th, 7-8 pm: BSA Adults Reading Discussion
- February 26th, 9:15 am-12:15 pm: Walker ESCCA serve at JEH
- March 2nd: Early Dismissal, Restaurant Fundraiser Day
- March 5th, 9:30 am-12 pm: Girls Play Sports Bowling Tournament
- March 7th: Spring Enrichments Begin
- March 7th-17th: Fifth Grade Lou Malnati's Fundraiser
- March 11th: Deadline to register for co-ed 4th and 5th grade D65 volleyball league
- March 13th, 10 am or 1 pm: Justin Wynn 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament
- March 14-18th: Walker Spirit Week
- March 18th, 9:05 am: Coffee with the Principal
- March 21st-25th: Spring Break
- March 31st, 7:30 pm: PTA Meeting
- April 12th-13th: Bookfair

Adjournment