



Fielder eNews for week of 1-3-18

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Welcome back! We hope everyone had a great Winter Break. We are looking forward to a fantastic 2018!

Reminders for the New Year:

- Jump Rope for Heart kickoff is this Friday. The program will run through Friday, January 19, 2018.
- Report Cards go home Monday, January 8, 2018.
- With the cold winter weather, please make sure your child has appropriate clothing for recess.
- The flu season is in full swing. Please see the attached KISD 24 Hour Rule.
- Throughout the school year, your children participate in activities from Common Sense Education, a division of Common Sense Media (<https://www.common sense media.org/>). Our goal is to help them safely and responsibly navigate technology. Please see the attached Family Tip Sheet about Digital Life.

Information from the PTA

New Announcements:

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered last year - we reported well over **10,000** Volunteer hours to the district. Whoop! This is amazing particularly as we had Harvey to contend with right at the start of the school year.

Without your help and support the PTA would not have been able to:-

Host Grandparents Day, School Store, Trunk or Treat, Dad's Game Night, Santa's Workshop, Winter Parties, provide hospitality for our teachers, run the Reflections Art Program, send out Monday Folders, prepare work for our teachers to use (Workroom elves and Homeroom Mom's), staff the Library, run our MAD Lab and Watch DOG programs, the list goes on....

We want you to know that we could NOT have done this without YOU and we truly appreciate every.single.one of you!!!

Upcoming Events

This year we are planning MORE amazing events for our children and will be on the lookout for volunteers to help, including:

- Texas History Night
- Carnival
- Mother Earth Day
- School Store
- Teacher Appreciation
- End of Year Parties
- Workroom (Monday Folders - prep for teachers)
- Library Shifts
- MAD Lab

If you fancy doing a spot of volunteering now that the school year has settled down or are new to the school and would like to get involved and volunteer to help with any of these events please contact VIPS@fielderPTA.org. We would be happy to answer any questions you may have (commitment free) and orientate you to the school. You can also pick up a volunteer form at the front of the school.

Volunteer Recognition

We apologize for the delay in operating our recognition scheme this school year as we had to iron out a few kinks and make some adjustments however, moving forward in recognition of volunteer hours we will be awarding the following for each milestone achieved:

- 25 hours - lanyard
- 50 hours - lapel pin
- 75 hours - lapel pin
- 100 hours - milestone pin
- 200 hours - milestone pin

Hour specific milestone pins will continue to be awarded every 100 hours thereafter. We will be reaching out over the next week or 2 to those volunteers who have met the criteria to come and collect your lanyard and pins, so watch your emails!

ON CAMPUS and OFF CAMPUS Hours

Not only do we use Volunteer hours to award recognition honors but we report them into the District, this can help with funding and other support services.

It is so important to make sure that you are RAPTored **into and out of** the school every visit (even if you have a lanyard). This ensures that we capture your hours correctly, but also serves as our register in case of fire or emergency, so that we know exactly who is in or out of the building. So please, please be sure to let the front office know when you are arriving and leaving.

Logging OFF CAMPUS Volunteer Hours

Please remember to log your OFF CAMPUS volunteer hours on the PTA website <http://www.fielderpta.org/> by following these tabs:-

- About the PTA
- Log hours

Volunteer hours are very important at Fielder!!

Off Campus hours include activities such as planning time, meetings, emails, and time spent for babysitting while you volunteer (this can be added to your total volunteer time for that event, or recorded under the babysitter's name). You can log hours as you go or log the total number at the end of the month.

If you would prefer, you can always submit your hours to our VIPS Coordinator at VIPS@fielderpta.org who will enter these on your behalf - be sure to state the month for which you are submitting along with the hours for that month.

Yearbook Corner

Yearbooks are on sale right now for only \$35....The price just went up. Order your Yearbook online at www.balfour.com. *Yearbooks are only available online through pre-sale.*

We have been working hard on the Yearbook. We are finished with First Day of School, Walk to School, Grandparents Day and Trunk or Treat. We will not be accepting any more of these pictures.

Submit Your Pictures

We are collecting pictures right now for Hurricane Harvey, World Series, our recent Snow Day, Santa's Workshop PTA volunteers, Student Council and Field Trips.

Attention 5th Grade Parents

It is hard to believe your student's time at Fielder is coming to a close. What better way to honor their time at school than through a yearbook ad? The ads are only available through **March 1, 2018** and are for fifth grade students only!

The ads are 1/8 of a page (approximately the size of a business card) and are \$15 each. The ads are available exclusively online through www.balfour.com and can be personalized with color, a message, and up to four photos. Let your student's personality shine!

Your photos can be submitted online at <http://images.balfour.com> or download Balfour Image Share app today and start uploading photos directly from your phone! Project Code: 821252

Spirit Wear

We are running very low on inventory for some shirts in size Small and Medium. If you send in a paper order and we do not have your shirt, we will send back your form and payment. The best way to make your purchase is by logging onto our school store at www.fielderpta.org/store

5th Grade Quilt

We will be having a quilt made as an auction item for 5th graders at the spring carnival. If you have Fielder shirts (spirit wear, field day, Funky Friday, RDR) that your student has outgrown and would like to pass on, please put them in a disposable bag, tie it closed and attach a note directing it to "5th Grade Quilt". Send it with your student and our quilt maker will pick it up. Thanks!

5th Grade Party

If you would like to help plan the 5th Grade Graduation Party, we need your help! We will meet once a month throughout the year to choose the location, theme, food, DJ, raffle prizes, decorations and more! Meeting notices, reminders and directions will be sent using this list. Questions can be sent to Heather at 5thgradeparty@fielderpta.org

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1wAaltdIwNgChCsCWoiM6TX1kPkz0ukUHJOhRCNSSfFs/edit?usp=sharing>

WATCH D.O.G.S.

Watch Dogs signup is open! Please check out the signup at tinyurl.com/FielderWatchDogs2017 to sign up for a day that would work for you. Please sign up for as many days as you like and if you need a Watch Dogs shirt please purchase that at Fielderpta.org/Store. If you have any questions, please contact Andrew Brown at andrewfbrown@outlook.com

MAD Lab is Here

MAD (Mom and Dad) Lab is off to a great start. The dates are set for the 2017-2018 school year. This year the schedule, activity guides and volunteer signups are located on the Fielder PTA website. Please click on the Fielder PTA link below to volunteer for MAD Lab.

<http://fielderpta.org/m-a-d-lab>

The **Sign Up Genius Links** for each grade level are located on this page. Please find your child's grade level and click on that link. Follow the instructions in Sign Up Genius to volunteer for your child's class. This year the 4 lab dates for each grade level are in the same Sign Up Genius.

Labs for each grade are:

- 4th Grade - Friday, January 12, 2018
- 5th Grade - Friday, January 19, 2018
- 3rd Grade - Friday, January 26, 2018