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# Lincoln Ave PTA - September 21, 2020 Meeting Notes

### Formal

- Meeting called to order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Principal's Report from Mrs. Cool
  - Thank you PTA for the welcome back sign and breakfast!
  - Opening went well: teachers working with students on building rapport and routine, the children are doing well with the masks and hand washing/sanitizing
  - Next Monday we're off for Yom Kippur
  - Changes in enrollment numbers- moving from hybrid to remote and remote to hybrid has affected class sizes
  - New registrations still pending more students still expected at all levels
  - Wednesdays asynchronous no live meets with teachers but students are still required to complete work at home (paper and/or electronic)
  - All grades K-4 have Phys Ed on Wednesday
  - Everyone must check in for attendance at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday
  - Dismissal procedures are getting easier; thank you for your patience with this system
  - Free lunch for all- menu is not correct online; we do offer hot lunch option, bagel/yogurt, turkey sandwich, or pb and j (no ham sandwich and no cheese sandwich)
  - O Virtual Back to School Night- Tues 10/6 at 6:15 PM
  - Drop-off- Water bottles, lunches, Chromebooks, etc. We are trying to eliminate people coming to the building and the amount of people touching items. Mrs. Cool has water bottles and loaner Chromebooks; if they forget lunch, they can get the free lunch. We are asking to forgo dropoffs to prevent more people in the building.

- Parent Square App- very helpful for information; Mrs. Cool will help if you are not on please email her!
- Additional lunch monitors on staff to help out with eating in the classrooms
- Treasurer's Report
  - o \$11,785 proposed budget for the year
  - Very similar to the past
  - Small income from Amazon Smile, Spirit Wear (Marcie Cuevas Kinder shirts)
  - Hopefully more hospitality to come!
- PAC Report
  - Representatives from each PTA + principals meet with district administration each month
  - o Discussion on student arrival back into buildings
  - Shared information on fundraisers

## **Old Business**

- School Supplies
  - Better than last year!
- Kindergarten T-Shirt sale
  - o Thank you, Marcie Cuevas!
- Mask Sale
  - o Sold 116 masks!
  - Still available in Spiritwear sale <a href="https://my.cheddarup.com/c/lincoln-avenue-pta-fall-fundraiser">https://my.cheddarup.com/c/lincoln-avenue-pta-fall-fundraiser</a>
- Welcome Back sign
  - o Thank you, Jenn Whelan & CB Yardgrams!
- Staff Welcome Back breakfast
  - Thank you, Sue Corlett & Dean's Coffee!

## **New Business**

- PTA Website + Facebook Group Since so much is online this year, please consider joining and checking these sites
  - PRSD website Parents PTA LA site <a href="https://lincoln-avenue-elementary-school.echalksites.com/groups/55429/la\_pta/l
  - Meetings calendar, meetings notes, Amazon Smile link. reimbursement forms, flyers, social media links- most of our posts take place through our Facebook group (Lincoln Avenue PTA, Pearl River, NY) <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/lincolnavepta">https://www.facebook.com/groups/lincolnavepta</a>
  - o Committee Sign-ups are now available on Parent Square
    - Go to "Participate" on the left toolbar and then "Groups"
- Class Parent volunteers- more information to come!
  - We will send out the volunteer sheet soon for class parents only. No party volunteers are needed yet since we cannot have class parties right now.

## **Fundraisers**

- Membership drive is ongoing through September
  - 110 members last year...currently at 53
  - O Join now!!! \$10 per member <a href="https://my.cheddarup.com/c/membership-2020-2021-lincoln-ave-pta">https://my.cheddarup.com/c/membership-2020-2021-lincoln-ave-pta</a>
- Spiritwear sale is on until 10/2 <a href="https://my.cheddarup.com/c/lincoln-avenue-pta-fall-fundraiser">https://my.cheddarup.com/c/lincoln-avenue-pta-fall-fundraiser</a>
- Amazon Smile runs all year! Please use Smile when shopping online this holiday season! https://smile.amazon.com/ch/13-3633576
- Meal Deals scheduled thank you, Jenn Whelan, for organizing these community meal nights!
  - o 9/30 Dom's-To-Go
  - $\circ$  10/20 Joe & Joe's (date changed from 10/8 to 10/20)
  - o 10/26-10/30 Luigi O'Gradys
- School pictures Mon 10/19 and Thu 10/29 \*\*\*
  - Fully remote children will have school pictures on Monday 10/19 at 1:45 (details and instructions will be given by Mrs Cool closer to the date).
  - If there is inclement weather on either day, all pictures for that date will have to be rescheduled, as pictures must be taken outdoors this year.
- Virtual book fair coming soon! Week of 11/16
- We are looking for more virtual fundraising ideas since we can't do them in person right now, so let us know if you have suggestions.

**Next PTA Meeting: Nov 16th at 7:00 PM**