



Welcome to our new Monthly PTO Newsletter. A place where you can get all information and updates from all goings-on from the PTO. We are excited to start this with the hope of keeping everyone up-to-date each month.

#### **Vision Statement**

The PTO is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to support the students by engaging in fundraising projects, supporting the various student enrichment activities, providing a forum for parent, teacher, and student interaction through community events, and promoting open communications between parents, teachers, and the entire Studio School community.

#### In this issue:

- Pg 2. Gallop Recap
- Pg 3. Gallop Day Photos
- Pg 4. Community Events
- Pg 5. October Calendar
- Pg 6. Yearbook
- Pg 7. Green Team
- Pg 8. Fundraising
- Pg 9. Coffee w/Principal
- Pg 10. Stay in Touch

OCTOBER 2023

# >>> NEWSLETTER <<< GRIFFIN GALLOP DAY 2

## Gallop Kecap:

We went beyond our goal and raised \$54,016!!!

Thank you to all our sponsors, staff, volunteers, parents and students who made this year's Gallop possible. This was our first year running the Gallop and we could not have done it without all of your support.

Thank you to Selina Cruz for bringing the Horizon Cheer Squad to cheer on the kids as they ran during the Gallop! We hope to see you next year!

# <image>

#### A Special Thank You To our Sponsors

Brady Hardwood Kura Home Maintenance Live Love Dance Engel & Volkers Chad Meredith Northglenn Marketplace Denver Stairs BRADLEY LEAD GROUP Design to Fashion Taylor Kohrs Direct Source Physical Therapy Keal Photography Nuture Pilates M&M Key Team Tailwinds of Hope Everything is Rosie Photography Simply Melodies Boutique Wheelhouse Apartments

OCTOBER 2023

# Some Newsletter Control of the Newsletter Co



FRIENDS

# COMMUNITY EVENTS

Updates From Community Events Chair Lindsey & Co-Chair Jordyn

**MEET THE CHA** 

Hi there! My name is Lindsey Leuenberger-Klautsch and I have

> PTO since 2016. I have three daughters, twins who are just starting their middle school

been a part of The Studio School

journey after six years at Studio and my youngest who is in third grade. I am currently the Community Events Chair for the school and love planning activities to bring our community

together. I would love for other parents to join our team and look forward to meeting you at one of

our Studio events very soon.

#### >>> FALL FEST

Fall Fest is October 27th from 5pm-7pm. This year we will have the Trunk or Treat out in the front parking lot of the school and the fest will extend into the Cafeteria.





WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed!! We need volunteers to work games, clean up, or decorate Trunks. Please click below to sign up!!

**Click here** 

#### >> TICKET INFORMATION

All food and games, including the cake walk, will use a ticketing system. If you are interested in pre-purchasing tickets, please return the form you got in Tuesday Newsday folders with cash or check (made out to The Studio School PTO. You may also purchase tickets by sending funds through venmo (@Studio-PTO). Tickets will be available for pick up @ the main office the day before the event. Tickets will also be sold on the night of the event. All money raised will go toward The Studio School PTO.

Hello My name is Jordyn, this is our Third year at Studio. I have Emily in 4th Grade in Ellen's Class. I love planning fun events for the studio community. Fall Fest is our favorite and we love the studio School and theater!! PTO Rocks!!!

**MEET THE CO-CHAIR** 



CANDY COMPETITION HAS OFFICIALLY STARTEDIIII THE CLASS WITH THE MOST CANDY/NON CANDY ITEMS DONATED (BY WEIGHT) WINS A CLASS PARTY!

 PLEASE BRING IN CANDY/NON-CANDY ITEMS TO YOUR CLASSROOM FROM OCTOBER 4TH-27TH!!



# THIS MONTH

#### OCTOBER 2023 SUN WED MON TUE THU FRI SAT PTO Meeting 5 Staff Work 6 1 2 3 4 2:45pm Day No School Liboray 8 9 10 11 12 213 14 Fall Break 19 21 15 16 20 Hip-Pop 26 22 Spirit Night 24 23 fall fest 27 28 25

5-7pm

#### <u>October</u>

- 10/4/2023- Coffee with the principal @ 8:00-8:45am
- 10/5/2023 PTO Meeting @ 2:45pm, School Library and on Zoom. Meetings will be recorded
- 10/6/2023- No school- Staff work day
- 10/13/2023 Sweet Treat Friday: Spooky Sweets

All Day

30

29

3

-ŵ

· wr RIP

MASK PARADE

- Sign up to bring treats here: <u>www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4FADA92FA64-spooky2</u>
- 10/16-10/20/2023- Fall Break- NO SCHOOL
- 10/24/2023 Spirit Night @ Renegade, All Day, Grant Location
- 10/26/2023- Pop After School -2:30-4:30pm
- 10/27/2023- Fall Fest ,time 5pm-7pm
- 10/31/2023- Mask Parade- TBD (behind the school near the playground)



#### >>> PRE PURCHASE 2023-2024 YEARBOOK

**YEARBOOK UPDATES** 

UPDATES FROM YEARBOOK GURU HEATHER VOLK

Studio Families! If you purchase the 23-24 yearbook before October 31st, 2023 there is a 10% discount from Treering! If you don't already have an account, you will need to set one up. Next steps is to add your student, their grade and teacher. Then you should be able to order. When you purchase a yearbook you have the option of personalizing 2 pages for each of your kiddos. Its pretty neat. If you have any issues, please contact me with any questions. studioschoolyearbook@gmail.com

#### MEET THE YEARBOOK COORDINATOR

Hello! My name is Heather Volk. My daughter is Olivia and my husband is Richard. This is our third year at Studio School and we love it. This is also my third year as the Yearbook Coordinator and Photographer. My team of volunteer photographers and I work all year to capture all the kids' special moments at events and performances. These memories along with the ones our own Studio Families share get put into the yearbook each year.

#### >>> HOW AND WHERE TO SUBMIT PHOTOS

We crowd-source our yearbook. That means that every single family at TSS can be a contributor! I will take your personal photos from the school throughout the year, and work to create a one-of-a-kind yearbook.

Want to submit your photos? Click the Link to find the event you are submitting photos for, once you find the name of the event, click that button and upload your photos. I will instantly have your photos and will be able to use them for the yearbook. Its that easy.

https://tsspto.weebly.com/yearbook.html

#### >>> 5TH GRADE BABY PHOTOS

We need your 5th grader's baby photos to add to the yearbook to guess who's who.

The Deadline to submit photos for this is: March 1st, 2024

I only need one of their BEST/FAVORITE photos for this page.

Click below to submit photo: https://www.dropbox.com/request/w9py3lw4PIBxZ XzHOVP2



Carre .

#### THE YEARBOOK SOUAD YVETTE, KRISTIN, ARI, HEATHER AND ASHLEY

These ladies have volunteered to take photos of all events and memories through the year.



### **GREEN TEAM**

The Green Team is a group of Studio students, parents, and teachers who believe environmental change is important!

We are working together to reduce waste and increase sustainability practices at our school. We are working on helping our school to become 'greener.' By that, we mean that the team is taking steps to help our school be less wasteful and reduce our environmental footprint. Help us green up our school!

We are focusing the month of October on recycling. This year Waste Management is providing our recycling service. We are learning about what can, can't be recycled, how to properly recycle and how recycling centers work. Here are three basic rules that every family should be familiar with.

#### WHAT ITEMS CAN BE RECYCLED?



ALUMINUM OR TIN CANS

 CARDBOARD
 BROWN PAPER BAGS
 CHIP OR PAPER BOARD
 NEWSPAPERS
 OFFICE PAPER
 BULK OR JUNK MAIL

 MAGAZINES, CATALOGS

#### WHAT ITEMS CAN'T BE RECYCLED?



 CLAMSHELL OR TO-GO PLASTIC CONTAINERS
 PLASTIC BAGS (THESE CAN BE RECYCLED AT SOME LOCAL GROCERY STORES. ASK MOM OR DAD TO HELP!)
 SHREDDED PAPER
 HAZARDOUS WASTE PRODUCTS

- 5. CERAMICS
- 6. PLASTIC CUTLERY





#### MEET OUR GREEN TEAM COORDINATOR

Sarah Voigt is our very own Studio School First Grade Teacher, She has a 5th Grader, Sacha Voigt. She likes scrapbooking, bullet journaling, traveling, hiking, backpacking & paddle boarding.



#### **Three Basic Rules**

ferency have see and palog their relepance of help particle from efficients, And 1 will help to answer excepting that means 1 millions In Thick a second the



**Recycle bottles**,

cans, paper and

cardboard.





recycling.

liquid out of your

No loose plastic bags and no bagged recyclables.

#### "Why is Recycling Important?"

Recycling is very important to the environment. Recycling helps prevent things like pollution, global warming and habitat destruction. The majority of our waste is from Biodegradable or Recyclable items. Soon, almost all of America's landfills will be full of trash. Some things don't need to be wasted. If we can be careful to recycle and also reuse items, we can have better ecosystems.



# FUNDRAISING

**UPDATES FROM CO-CHAIRS JILL & ASHLEY** 

#### GALLOP PRIZE DATES <<<

The Griffin Celebration will be November 3rd @ 1:30pm

Snow cone party- November 9th @ 2pm Swim party Date- TBA-will be on a weekend Silly string battle- Ms Pepler's Class won, Date TBD Sky zone- TBD

#### SWEET TREAT FRIDAY <

Sweet Treat Friday this month is October 13th!! Sign up below to bring Spooky Sweets!

Sweet treat cost 1\$ and will be after school next to the playground. All proceeds go TSS PTO.

Sign up to bring treats here: www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4FADA92FA64spooky2



#### >>> UPCOMING DATES

Spirit Night: October 24th Renegade Burrito All Day- Grant Location

Pop After School: October 26th- link to pre order will be sent out the week prior.

#### >>> WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

We will soon be getting underway to planning the next big events, we need your help for the following:

Craft Fair Committee Student Store Committee Soiree Committe Holiday Giving Tree Committee

#### **MEET THE CO-CHAIR**

Hello! I am Jillian! My husband Henry and I have Jackson in Ms. Kira's 3rd grade class, and our daughter, Brooklyn is in 7th grade at Century. This is our 3rd year at The Studio School and we absolutely adore it! I love being involved in my kids classrooms, fundraising and all the PTO events! The Griffin Gallop, The Soirée, and Teacher Appreciation Week are my main squeezes!



#### **MEET THE CO-CHAIR**

Hello! My name is Ashley. I have Aurora in Ms. Kira's 3rd grade class. This is our 2nd year at The Studio School and we love it so much! I love being involved with the school and classroom. All the events are so much fun and The PTO is a welcoming group!

# Coffee with the Principal



COMMUNITY



#### COLLABORATION



Staff Norms- "Come with humility and give grace to yourself and to others."

#### What is Coffee with the Principal?

Coffee with Principal Sharla is an informal social where we can ask the hard, thought provoking and engaging questions. It's a great way to meet other families and a way to get involved in the conversation.

#### Highlights

\*OUR NUMBER ONE THING JUST MAKING SURE EVERYONE, ESPECIALLY ALL STUDENTS, FEEL INCLUDED.
WE HAVE SUCH A DIVERSE COMMUNITY, IT'S THE MOST DIVERSE SCHOOL I'VE EVER WORKED AT
BECAUSE WE'RE PULLING FROM ALL OVER AND I JUST LOVE THAT ABOUT OUR SCHOOL. PRIORITIZING AND MAXIMIZING STRUCTURES OF LOOKING AT DATA. REALLY UNDERSTANDING YOUR STUDENTS,
WHERE THEY'RE AT ACADEMICALLY, IS REALLY IMPORTANT TO US. APPLYING FORMATIVE PRACTICES IN
OUR CLASSROOMS AND WHAT FORMATIVE PRACTICES ARE, SO YOU MIGHT SEE THAT AT CONFERENCE
TIME. LEARNING INTENTIONS ON THE WALL OR THE TEACHERS CLASSROOM SAYING THINGS LIKE THIS
IS WHAT WE'RE LEARNING AND THEN THE SUCCESS CRITERIA THAT'S UNDERNEATH IT. THIS IS WHAT
WE'RE LEARNING TODAY AND THIS IS HOW YOU'RE GOING TO BE SUCCESSFUL WITH THAT AND SO WE
TRY TO TRAIN THE KIDS ON THAT SO THEY CAN HAVE ACCESS TO THEIR OWN LEARNING AND MAKE IT

COMPREHENSIBLE."

QUESTION: "I'M CURIOUS BECAUSE WE TALKED ABOUT INCLUSIVE AND EQUITY, WHAT KIND OF LIKE TRAINING IS HAPPENING AT THE TEACHER LEVEL/SCHOOL LEVEL AROUND TRUE EQUITY IN WHAT INCLUSIVITY ACTUALLY LOOKS LIKE WITH THE DIVERSE POPULATION?"

PRINCIPAL KACZAR: "GREAT QUESTION, SO LAST YEAR ADMIN WERE TRAINED ON EQUITY AND REALLY JUST BUILDING THAT CAPACITY AND BUILDING THAT TRUST THIS YEAR. WE HAVE A TEACHER LEADER WHO IS THAT PERSON, WHO GOES TO TRAINING AND IT'S JUST AT THE GROUND LEVEL. HER TITLE IS EQUITY PRACTITIONER. IT'S ACTUALLY, AMBER DOCKET, OUR SOCIAL WORKER. SHE GOES TO TRAININGS ONCE A MONTH AND THEN COMES BACK I THINK FROM THE DISTRICT AND THEN DOES THAT TRAINING WITH OUR STAFF AND ACTUALLY THIS FRIDAY WHEN WE DON'T HAVE SCHOOL, WE HAVE A PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY AND A PART OF THAT AGENDA WILL BE EQUITY PRACTITIONER SUPPORT INTO OUR BUILDING AND JUST BUILDING THAT CAPACITY. I TRIED TO DABBLE IN THAT WORK A LITTLE BIT WITH OUR INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP TEAM LAST YEAR BUT I THINK WE WERE ALL PRETTY GUARDED AT THAT TIME AND SO YOU KNOW IT'S IT'S A HUGE TRUST THING YOU KNOW IT'S A LOT TO SHARE WHERE YOU'RE AT THAT THERE'S IMPLICIT BIASES THAT WE ALL HAVE AND OVERCOMING THAT AND REALLY LOOKING AT HOW WE CAN JUST GROW AND DO BETTER WITH ALL THAT."





### Important Links

Use our link tree to access all our important links. Scan the QR code or click below.

https://campsite.bio/studiopto

TSS Family Facebook

Join our Families Facebook Group

to stay in the know of all things

going on.

https://www.facebook.com/groups

/344362906135067/





#### How to Contact us

Have an Idea? Want to join a committee? or just need to contact us? email us @ studiogriffinspto@gmail.com or fill out the form from the link below

#### https://tsspto.weebly.com/contact.html

### **Open Positions:**

We need your help, volunteers are the heart of all our events. Please consider signing up for one of the open positions or committees below!! Email us @ studiogriffins@gmail.com to sign up

- Fall Fest Committee
- King soopers rewards coordinator
- SSASE co-coordinator
- Volunteer committee
- Holiday Craft Fair Committee
- Holiday Student Store Committee
- Soiree Committee
- Giving tree committee



Stay up to date with dates and events by saving our PTO website to your browser.

https://tsspto.weebly.com/

