



## PTO Newsletter | September 2019

### WELCOME BACK!

Deerfield PTO works hard to support our school, our teachers, and our kids! And the more parents are involved in this work, the better! There are wonderful opportunities to get involved no matter who you are or what your schedule may be.

Throughout the year, we provide extra support for teachers and staff, enhance the school environment, and organize exciting activities for our students. Please, join us at our monthly meetings – the second Tuesday of each month – to learn more. Or stay up to speed through our emails, text reminders and our [Facebook](#) page.



If you have any questions or are interested in getting involved, please contact us at [ksdeerfieldpto@gmail.com](mailto:ksdeerfieldpto@gmail.com).

### FALL FUNDRAISER - DON'T DELAY!

The Fall Fundraiser helps us support students and teachers in a variety of ways by providing art supplies, PE equipment, musical support, field trips, teacher wish-list items, BrainPop subscriptions, playground equipment and so much more!

This year, supporters can purchase catalog items OR make a direct donation in any amount to PTO - 100% of funds will go to PTO!

Catalogs were sent home with students on 8/27. You can also **easily** register your student at [shopfund.com](http://shopfund.com) and share an online catalog link via social media or email with friends and family!

Sellers can earn an extra recess or one hour in the video game truck!

#### Order Forms and Donations Due:

*Monday, September 9*

#### Item Pick-Up:

*Tuesday, October 8, 3-6pm*



### JOIN US FOR THE NEXT PTO MEETING!



**TUESDAY, SEPT 10 at 7PM in the MUSIC ROOM  
CHILD CARE PROVIDED!**

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

AND STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION FROM DEERFIELD STAFF OR ON THE PTO

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| <b>9/1</b>  | Labor Day - NO SCHOOL!<br>Register for Marathon Club!           | <b>9/24</b> | Open House 6-7pm                                   |
| <b>9/4</b>  | First Run for Marathon Club                                     | <b>9/28</b> | Fall Carnival & Silent Auction 3-6pm               |
| <b>9/7</b>  | PJs & Pancakes at 6th St.<br>Hy-Vee 8am-Noon                    | <b>10/8</b> | Fundraiser Pick-Up 3-6pm<br>PTO Mtg 7pm Music Room |
| <b>9/9</b>  | Student Picture Day<br>EPIC 6:30-8pm<br>Fall Fundraiser Closes! | <b>10/9</b> | Deerfield Dines Out at<br>Burrito King 7am-3am(!)  |
| <b>9/10</b> | PTO Mtg 7pm Music Room  |             |  |
| <b>9/19</b> | Deerfield Dines Out at Pie<br>Five Pizza Co.                    |             |  |
| <b>9/23</b> | Swim Night 5-8pm (also<br>10/22, 11/13 and 12/11)               |             |  |



# FALL CARNIVAL & SILENT AUCTION

Deerfield PTO is recruiting volunteers and collecting donations for the **Fall Carnival & Silent Auction!**

Every year Deerfield opens its doors to students and families for a night of food, fun and fundraising. This year's carnival will be on September 28th from 3-6pm.

We need lots of **volunteers** to make sure the Carnival runs smoothly and safely. Positions are fun and easy! If you'd like to volunteer, please sign up [here](#).

The Carnival and Silent Auction are made possible by **auction items** donated by Deerfield friends and supporters. Donated items can be a gift basket, gift cards for goods or services, an individual item or anything else you would be willing to donate.

Your donation will benefit Deerfield by providing funds for classroom support, field trips, guest speakers, teacher wish list items and much more. In turn, we will highlight your participation on fliers and other promotional items advertising the carnival and silent auction.

If you are interested in making a donation, please contact:

Melissa Pam -  
thepams09@yahoo.com or  
785.979.8988 or

Annie Rajaei -  
annierajaei@hotmail.com or  
913.485.2539

## Thank you!



## DID YOU KNOW?



### There are lots of **EASY** ways to support **Deerfield PTO** financially!

- 1) Save your local **Hy-Vee** receipts and drop them in the box in the school's front-door breezeway.
- 2) Clip your **Box Tops for Education** and drop them in the box in the school's front-door breezeway OR download the App [here](#) and, select Deerfield Elementary as your school, and scan your receipts within 14 days.
- 3) Designate Deerfield PTO (code MM818) to receive **Dillon's Community Rewards** and then just use your Plus Shoppers Card each time you shop. Visit [here](#) to enroll! 70 Deerfield families helped us raise \$450 last quarter; imagine what we could do with more!
- 4) **Amazon Smile** is the same Amazon you know - same products, prices, everything! Start at [smile.Amazon.com](#) each time you shop and designate Deerfield Elementary as your charitable organization.

## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The PTO coordinates room parents and grade level representatives for each classroom at Deerfield. The room parents and grade reps work together to assist the teachers, as well as plan 3 classroom parties each year: Fall (October 31), Winter Break (TBD), and Valentine's Day (February 13). Party times vary by grade. Check the sign-ups for more details!

**We still need a lot of volunteers! Sign up here:**

- [Kindergarten](#)
- [First Grade](#)
- [Second Grade](#)
- [Third Grade](#)
- [Fourth Grade](#)
- [Fifth Grade](#)

## BE ON THE LOOKOUT!

The Hy-Vee High 5 is a great way to recognize a staff member at Deerfield who has made a difference in your child's life! The nominating student and winning staff member receive prizes, all donated by Hy-Vee, and are celebrated in this newsletter!

The first Hy-Vee High 5 nominations will be due September 25. Please look out for nomination forms in your student's take home folder on September 19.



# ON YOUR MARKS, GET SET.... MARATHON!

Marathon Club is about to begin! Our first weekly run is scheduled for Wednesday, September 4th at 1:35pm (at school dismissal).

If your student plans to participate in Marathon Club, please complete the 2019-2020 Eventbrite Registration ASAP. You MUST complete registration each school year. For children attending Boys and Girls Club, this is the same Eventbrite registration that was included the BGC newsletter.

Please consider volunteering, as we need the course to be staffed appropriately to run each week. You can indicate volunteer interest on the Eventbrite registration or email [deerfieldmc@yahoo.com](mailto:deerfieldmc@yahoo.com) with your availability. Thank you!



**PIS AND PANCAKES!!**  
 SEPTEMBER 7, 2019, FROM 8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.



[6th St. Hy-Vee only]  
 Deal: 2 pancakes, and 2 sausages for \$4.00 plus tax.  
 (Deerfield PTO gets 50% off all sales in store to members of Deerfield when ordering)

OCTOBER 9, 2019, ALL DAY (7 A.M.-3 A.M.)



**BURRITO KING**  
 (300 Brown St., Lawrence, KS 66044)

100% of all sales go back to the Deerfield PTO!  
 (Just Show Them)

**GAME NIGHT AT EPIC**  
 Monday, September 9th  
 6:30 – 8:00PM  
 Epic Fun Center  
 711 W 23rd St., Ste 1

Cost is \$12 + tax per player  
 (Children under 4 are \$10 per player who walk to school only are free)  
 Players receive UNLIMITED access to laser tag, mini golf & video games!  
 Concessions will be available for purchase.




Epic will be primarily reserved for Deerfield  
 Bring your family and friends and enjoy an evening of Epic fun!


your best bet to...  
**eat. drink. donate.**

Thurs. 09/19/19  
 Pie Five Pizza Co.  
 In Lawrence, KS

Tell your cashier you're benefiting:



Order online at [piefivepizza.com](http://piefivepizza.com) or on the app and use the promo code:  
**EATEARNKC**



## FIRST THE TO-DOs, THEN THE TA-DAs!

A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED PTO IN THESE RECENT EFFORTS!

NO CONTRIBUTION OF TIME, TALENT OR TREASURE IS TOO SMALL - WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!

- Completed funding for a Sensory Path to be installed this fall
- Hosted Swim Nights at the Outdoor Aquatic Center this summer
- Coordinated Deerfield Dines Out at several local restaurants this summer
- Provided food for a Back-to-School Breakfast for teachers and staff
- Served Back-to-School lunch, catered by Hy-Vee, to teachers and staff

- Designed and provided a unique t-shirt for teachers and every incoming kindergartner
- Welcomed back families and distributed popsicles at Sneak Peek
- Represented numerous PTO committees and recruited new volunteers at Sneak Peek and August PTO meeting
- Provided child care for August PTO meeting
- Hosted Watch DOGS (Dads of Great Students) Kick-Off Pizza Party



President - Bonnie Wohler  
 Vice President - Jill Stueve

Treasurers - Wendy Canaday & Tai Edwards  
 Secretary - Tandy Wolters

Thank you for your support!  
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