Erie Elementary School PTCO General Meeting

Sep 15, 2026

Welcome

- Meet the team
    - Board introduces themself to the group
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    - Attendees also introduce themselves

Special Guest- Principal Smythe

- Principal Smythe- we hired a crossing guard, changed the policy to be hopefully more efficient.
    - Brian did not lose his job, he resigned before hand
    - Encourages people to use the cross walk further south to be a little safer
    - May be an officer monitoring neighborhoods and e bike situation
- Principal Smythe- 4th kindergartner teacher
    - 84 kindergarteners enrolled this year, we were fortunate enough to get a kindergarten teacher that volunteered to come to EES
    - Sarah McCarthy
    - None of the classes are in the portables this year!

Special guest- Raquel Freedman

- Attendance clerk/registrar
    - Manages registration/open enrollment
    - Monitors attendance
    - Does the rosters
    - She is the infinite campus
- She does October attendance
    - Each child has a value/enrollment for the school year
    - Staff counts the students and their attendance and reports back to the state. Attendance impacts the school funding we receive each year

        - Open enrollment starts December 1st and is continued until they go to middle school
            - Preschool

Special Guest- Sarah Brantley- Librarian

- Library- read a book at initial class
    - Different groups of books based on grade level
    - Learning about holidays (Like reflecting on labor day)
    - Teaching about media/technology safety
    - Several different stations- art, lego, technology, etc.
- New book fair system starting in october- Literati
    - More book focused, less on toys in comparison to scholastic book fairs in the past
    - We need volunteers to sign up for slots

PTCO AT A GLANCE

- RECENT HAPPENINGS
    - Supply Drop-Off & Back-to-School New Family Packs and Calenders
        - Lots of effort went into the kindergarten kick off and the packets for them and new EES families. The event was overall a success despite having to move inside because of weather. Future improvements were discussed such as tours for the board members before hand so we can help show students where to go, better placement for packets, and more. Notes added to master spread sheet for reference in the future
        - First year of school calendars provided to all students-
            - Growth points include making bigger, and removing the summer months so important school calender months are larger

    - First Day Festivities with Teacher Lounge Treats and with gift and coffee card
        - Provided by sponsor- FOX DOG Coffee
    - Late Start Meal
        - We provide staff with late start breakfasts and restock the lounges every month. Preferences and requests are sent to staff for feed back

- COMING UP

JOG-A-THON | September 30
Our biggest fundraiser of the year! Funds raised help support:

- School events & activities
- Field trips including buses
- Student Directory
- Teacher & Staff Appreciation
- Teacher Grants
- Special Projects
- Conference Meals & Child Care
- And so much more!

BOOK FAIR | October 5–9 (During first week of Parent/Teacher Conferences)
Come shop, support our school, and help get great books into students' hands!
This will be Literari Book fair- volunteers will be needed to support this event

FALL FEST | October 22
Fall fun for the whole family!

NIGHT UNDER THE STARS | October or November
Date TBD — More information coming soon!

BYLAWS UPDATE

The Executive Board has added Dana Stein as a non-voting Community Engagement Co-Chair. Welcome Dana!

PTCO UPDATES

Budget | Quick overview of the 2026/2027 Budget

Fundraising | Where we are and what's ahead with Tiger Bite Nights

Volunteer Opportunities | Jog-a-Thon, Book Fair and Fall Fest

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EES PTCO

"We don't only have the St. Vrain advantage, we have the Erie Elementary School Advantage"

Thank you for *Supporting our students • Supporting our staff • Strengthening our school community*