## LUDLOW-TAYLOR PTO UPDATE

## Hi Ludlow-Taylor families,

I hope all of our ECE kids & families enjoyed this week's Week of the Young Child festivities, including today's sunny(!) Family BBQ! A huge thank you to our ECE



Committee -- especially Hannah Zlotnick -- and ECE teaching team for all of their organizational efforts. I am also extremely thankful to all of the parents who turned up on Tuesday morning to lead a tour at our final Open House of the year, especially those who responded to my night-before SOS for more volunteers, as well as to all of the Safety Patrollers and Students Ambassadors who assisted them!

This week's update will be brief since we're heading into Spring Break, but a few quick things...

- Coffee & Donuts & Auction & Enrollment Hoopla (4/23): Announcing a NEW event that didn't appear on this month's calendar (because it wasn't scheduled yet!): Please join us from 8:15 am onwards on the Tuesday following Spring Break (April 23rd) for what we are calling "Coffee & Donuts & Auction & Enrollment Hoopla!" What will this involve?
  - · Coffee & Donuts: Literally.
  - "Coffee & Donuts": Your monthly opportunity to hear from Principal Miller & ask her questions (per usual, this will begin around 8:40 following drop-off).
  - Auction: Take advantage of one of your LAST CHANCES to buy <u>Warriors' Night Out</u> tickets in-person! (Remember the event is on April 27th, 2 weeks from Saturday!) Also, if you buy an in-person ticket for yourself or a teacher, you will be entered into a lottery for a limited edition Ludlow-Taylor t-shirt that has never been available for sale!
  - Enrollment: L-T's registrar & front office staff will be available in front of the school to help you with the enrollment process in any way that you need! Also, anyone who enrolls or re-enrolls their kids in L-T before the auction AND attends the auction will receive a free raffle ticket for a special secret prize!
  - Hoopla: In fairness, all of the above is a lot of hoopla. But there will be even more! You have come join us to find out what! Also, all ECE students can enter through the main 7th St. door on Tuesday so that they don't miss the fun!
- East City Book Fair: Thanks so much to Caitlin La Rocco for organizing the East City Book Fair a few weeks ago, as well as to everyone who purchased books for themselves or a teacher. All-in-all more than new 100 books found their way into class libraries & more than \$300 additional dollars were raised!
- DCPS Enrollment: Enrollment for next school year has begun! ALL students who will attend L-T next year -- both new & returning -- MUST enroll! Enroll <a href="here">here</a> and/or see <a href="here">here</a> for more enrollment info from DCPS. It is REALLY important for the school that you enroll or re-enroll ASAP. If L-T exceeds its enrollment projection by 13+ students (as it did this year), DCPS will provide the school with funding for an extra teacher. The sooner we find out if that's going to happen, the more planning the school can do & the more likely it is that we can get that new teacher into a classroom at the start of the school year!
- DCPS Chaperone Clearance Process: Hopefully you've heard about the DCPS volunteer clearance process by now and, in particular, the new rule that it applies to field trip chaperones as well. It's actually surprising fast & painless and you can apply right <a href="here">here</a>. (Please do!) The standard process involves getting fingerprinted -- it's fast & free & as close by as the corner of 2nd & D Sts. NE. However, with thanks to Lauren Pippinger, I recently discovered that federal employees or contractors with Secret or Top Secret security clearances obtained as a condition of their employment can still bypass the fingerprinting process! Just follow the directions <a href="here">here</a>. (Lauren got her DCPS clearance in only 3 days!)



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