

Ardrey Kell PTSO

Dear PTSO members and volunteers,

Thank you for your continued patience and support as the Ardrey Kell PTSO continues to serve the needs of the students and staff of AK. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, please see below for some activities communicated by Committee Chairs. Email updates are provided in lieu of a PTSO meeting.

We are pleased to offer an opportunity for the PTSO community to join us for a Zoom meeting next week, January 19, 2021. A link will follow but the time is planned for 6pm. We hope that anyone interested will join us virtually as we continue to be unable to meet in-person at the high school.

Happy New Year and our very best to all-

The AK PTSO Board

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Website

- Routine updates and site maintenance.
- Take a look at the resources available: <https://akptso.weebly.com/>

Communications

- Continued collaboration to promote and post information from the PTSO and/or Administration to website and on social media. Specific details such as when to post; how many occurrences and duration requested.
 - AKHSPTSO is on Facebook: [Ardrey Kell High School PTSO \(Official Page\) | Facebook](#)
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Upcoming 2021 Events

January 18

No school- holiday

January 19

PTSO Zoom Meeting, 6pm

February 17

Early release day

Our Capital Campaign Continues!

Please spread the word and **INVEST in AK!**

Details can be found at:

www.pay4schoolstuff.com/

or

<https://akptso.weebly.com/>

Remember that many employers have corporate matching programs. Visit our website for more information.

Winterfest/Springfest

- No Winterfest planning at this time due to pandemic restrictions.
- Many school student clubs were involved with the holiday food drive in lieu of Winterfest.

Fundraising

- Donations to the annual Capital Campaign have slowed but are always welcome.
- Tax receipt letters have been sent for all donations \$50 and greater.

Harris Teeter/Publix

- Great success with the text blast sent out to all AK families last month and we now have over 670 links!! This is the most since 2011, and the 2nd highest number in school history.
- These links have earned \$1,535 for our PTSO as of Dec 9th, 2020.
- Pending school approval, we will have yard signs in the carpool line to remind parents to link their VIC cards. These are signs we will be able to use every year and at multiple events.
- Thank you to all families who have already linked their card!!



Other/Community News:

-Information is available for the 2020-2021 PTSO Scholarships!

-The Ballantyne Families Helping Neighbors in Need has a new Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/BallantyneFamiliesHelpingNeighbors>

-Kudos to Carrie F. for organizing the Dessert Appreciation for the AK staff on December 11...and many thanks to the dozens of PTSO members who participated!
