



**September 2019**

**“Education is the key to unlocking the world, a passport to freedom.”**

-Oprah Winfrey

## **Welcome Back to School!**

Welcome back to Marion Walker Elementary! We hope you all had a wonderful summer and are ready to start an exciting new year.

The Marion Walker PTO is a group of parents and teachers dedicated to enhancing the educational experience for our students. Throughout the year the PTO hosts many events meant to supplement lessons our children learn in the classroom. Information regarding PTO meetings and events can be found at the end of this newsletter.

In order to host these events, we need your help! It is very important to have the help and support of parent volunteers. Donating even a few hours of your time can help make a huge difference for our kids. Please join us at our monthly meetings to see how you can help make our school a great place to learn, explore and have fun!

In upcoming weeks, you will receive information on the 2019 PTO Membership drive. All are welcome to join!

## **MARION WALKER 5K RUN/WALK & WALKER TOWNSHIP FALL FEST:**

September 28<sup>th</sup> will be a fun family day with two popular events. Registration for the MW PTO 5K or 1-mile walk will begin at 9:00am with the race starting at 10:00am. The 1-mile walk will begin at 10:30am. Winners in each group will receive a Marion Walker PTO Prize Pack.

Following the run/walk the Walker Township will host its annual Fall Fest at the Walker Township Park. Join us for a day filled with games, food and plenty of fall themed arts & crafts!

## **BOX TOP\$ FOR EDUCATION – Changes Coming Soon!**

Want to help our school earn money for field trips, assemblies and many other great events? The Box Tops for Education Program is a great way to help. There are now 2 convenient ways to submit your Box Tops: Clip BOX TOPS or SUBMIT ONLINE.

Box Tops can be submitted to your child's homeroom teacher. Please put your child's name & teacher on the bag. For every 50 Box Tops submitted, your child will earn a coupon for a free ice cream treat.

## HOW IT WORKS



**BUY**

## BOX TOPS PRODUCTS

**Look for the logo.** You can find it on hundreds of products you know and love.



**SCAN**

## YOUR RECEIPT

**No more clipping.** Tap the scan button and snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



**EARN**

## CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL

## YEARBOOKS:

Marion Walker Elementary has changed vendors for the annual yearbook. Our decision to change companies will result in lower prices for families and higher quality products.

With the new vendor there will be a MAJOR change in the ordering process. Yearbook sales will now be combined with fall picture day.

**PLEASE NOTE → This will be the only time to order yearbook; this year! No yearbook; will be sold after picture day.**

More details will be sent home in upcoming weeks concerning pricing and sales. If you have any questions, please contact Jacki Hopkins at [jackihopkins@centurylink.net](mailto:jackihopkins@centurylink.net).

## VOLUNTEERS:

As per BASD policy, all individuals who wish to volunteer for activities during the school day MUST receive proper clearances from the district. Please visit <https://www.basd.net/site/Default.aspx?PageID=601> to see how you can become a registered volunteer.

In upcoming weeks, you will receive information regarding the Volunteer Survey. This survey can be completed online in just a few minutes. Please contact Jackie Wynkoop at [litcoachjackiew@gmail.com](mailto:litcoachjackiew@gmail.com) for more information or to request a paper copy of the survey.

## **STAY IN TOUCH WITH THE PTO:**



The PTO will periodically send out reminders for upcoming events, requests for volunteers/donations or information on fundraising activities. You can “Like” the Marion Walker PTO on Facebook to stay up to date with current news, pictures and other items.

All fliers, meeting minutes and budget reports are available at <http://www.basd.net/domain/547>.

## **UPCOMING PTO EVENTS:**

- PTO Meeting – September 11<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 pm
- Marion Walker PTO 5K – Sept.  
28th
- Walker Township Fall Fest –  
Sept. 28th



## **PTO Sponsored Events:**

- Holiday Store
- Winter Carnival
- Halloween Dance
- 5K Race
- Family Bowling Day

## **The PTO Provides Funds for...**

- Field Trips (Transportation)
- New Books
- Playground Equipment
- Class Gifts from Santa
- Teacher Supply Fund
- Benches & Picnic Tables
- And so Much More!!!

## **2019-2020 PTO Meeting Dates:**

6:30-7:30 pm in the MW Library

Complimentary Child Care Provided

- September 11<sup>th</sup>
- October 9<sup>th</sup>
- November 13<sup>th</sup>
- January 8<sup>th</sup>
- February 12<sup>th</sup>
- March 11<sup>th</sup>
- May 13<sup>th</sup>

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