## H PTA Notes October 21, 2021

<u>Principal's Update</u>-Appleton received growth measures from the state-mandated assessment (CMAS). Appleton is number one in the district for growing all students. We also received recognition as the number one school in the district with students continuing to grow even throughout COVID. Appleton is also in the 99th percentile based on a student survey, for students feeling a sense of belonging at our school.

<u>Instagram Account</u>-Is this something we want to create? We will have to be very thoughtful and careful with photographs (some students are not allowed to be photographed), careful with content, law enforcement/security families, etc. Some interested folks will meet to talk more.

<u>Spell-a-thon</u>-Packets are out to families. Students can start collecting pledges and study for their test. November 8-11, tests will be given, scored, and returned by November 16th. Then students can collect all their pledge money and return to school by December 1st. Prizes will be awarded after that. \*Jared will collect some students and create a video to promote the Spell-a-thon. Teachers can show this to our classes. Volunteers will make posters to hang around the school. Prizes are ordered.

## Restaurant Nights-

- November 17-Famous Dave's
- December 2, 3-Smokin' Oak
- January 19-Chipotle
- February 10-Pablo's Pizza (Fruita)
- March 18-Get Air
- April 20-Noodles

<u>Yearbook</u>-Committee contacted a local photographer. We can order 150 books, would cost \$13/piece. Committee will reach out to businesses that might want to sponsor-they can purchase different-sized ads, and that will make these a lot cheaper...maybe more like \$5 a book! This will be a softcover book, one page per class. If we decide to do this, we will need a little help from teachers---pass out flyers, collect money for books, review an electronic proof for misspelled names, check for students without photography permission. Committee will create a survey to see what parent/student interest is...

<u>Painting the apple man in the cafeteria</u>-Is there anyone interested in doing this? Just needs to be touched up. Please let Corey know if you are interested.

<u>Laminator-Mary Coleman brought some samples of laminator issues.</u> We really need a new one! Crinkles up (moisture?), wastes a lot of paper per roll. Mary has done a lot of research and printed copies of many options. Corey will check if the district will service a new one or who we should buy this from. Let's talk again at the next meeting after we find out a little bit more!

<u>Bulletin boards main hallway</u>- These need someone to update them, as well as organizing the supply bin. Two parent volunteers will work on changing these out.

Financial Audit-Hilary Soria, Brynn Boyd, and April Fogerty (maybe) can help out with that.

<u>Budget</u>-Looking to make \$30,000 for spell-a-thon. Teachers need to spend their money. Appleton t-shirts-delayed a few times

## Other-

- Brynn mentioned many, many copies wasted in the Tuesday folder, with multiple students in attendance. She talked about "youngest and only" or it could be the oldest kids that get school-wide notes, instead of multiple copies of the same thing. Corey will look into that.
- Still looking at shade, gazebo, trees, and tether ball ...will chat more next time.
- Few more (4) picnic tables on the black dirt between the two buildings so kindergarten has more time -could 5th grade create more for a legacy project again. Could reach out to Scout groups, do they need a project? Our school might want something built and they can help out the community and do that.

## Next meeting-changed to November 11th

<u>Upcoming events:</u>
Ornament Night-November 18
All School Sing Along-December 17
Bingo Night-January 28
Art Night-February 25