

Lafayette Academy

PTA Newsletter

May 4, 2021

Dear Families

This week is Teacher and Staff Appreciation week! On behalf of the Lafayette Academy families, a huge thank you to our wonderful Lafayette Academy Teachers and Staff. Check out the pictures below from our Chalk the Walk event.

The CEC District 3 election voting period started on Sunday, May 1. To vote please visit schools.nyc.gov/elections2021 or call 311. Also don't forget our very own Lafayette Academy parent, Natasha Cipolli (mother of Mason Cipolli in class 602) is running for a position on the CEC.

PLEASE JOIN US TONIGHT AT 6PM FOR OUR MONTHLY PTA MEETING.

The agenda and meeting link for this month's meeting are attached below.

We have a few great events coming up and are already starting to plan for the next school year. Please reach out to us if you would like to be involved. We would love for you to join.

Have a great week.

Warmly,
PTA Executive Board

Upcoming Dates

PTA Meeting Tuesday, May 4 at 6pm: We look forward to seeing you there Click [here](#) to join google meet (dkd-mnae-ujb) or join via phone by calling: (US) +1 541-714-3867 PIN: 405 872 126#

NYC State Math Exam: Tuesday, May 4th (B Day); Wednesday, May 5th (A Day)

Coffee with Mr Zager every third Thursday of the month from 8.30-9am: Share your ideas, concerns and find out what's going on at your school

Lafayette Academy Recipe book: Please send recipes by Friday, 21st May

Volunteers wanted

Please reach out to the PTA Executive if you are interested in helping with the following:

- Spring Fit-a-thon (May 2021) committee
- Lafayette Academy Recipe book committee
- Fundraising Committee
- Class parent - 7th grade class 702
- Co-Treasurer

PTA News

Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week

Thank you to the families who came along to the school to decorate the sidewalk with messages of thanks to the teachers and staff for all they have done this past year. The sidewalk looked amazing!

The PTA has also organized lunch for the teachers today and purchased each teacher a special gift to further thank them for everything they do for our kids. Thank you also to the families who were able to contribute towards the lunch and gift.



Lafayette Academy Recipe Book

Our PTA would like to put together a collective recipe and food-story book that reflects our wonderfully diverse Lafayette Academy community.

Share your favorite family recipe, traditional food that honors your heritage, your go to afterschool snack, or holiday treat.

You can also share a food related story or memory and send photos of your recipe or illustrations made by your students. You can even send a picture or a link to a favorite recipe and we'll type it for you!

If you would like to share your recipe or help out with collating and compiling the book please e-mail lafayetteacademypta@gmail.com

We hope to be able to distribute the cook book at the end of May! Please send your recipes by May 21st.

Spring Fit-a-thon

We are planning a Spring fit-a-thon to get everyone moving. We won't all be able to gather together but we can come together to share our fitness adventures. The fit-a-thon will be held virtually at the end of May 2021.

Please get in contact with the PTA if you would like to help organize the fit-a-thon.

PTA Meeting: Tuesday, May 4th at 6pm - Agenda

PTA BUSINESS

- Consider joining the PTA as a co-chair
- Your skills are valuable. Please reach out to the PTA to discuss how you can contribute. Every little bit helps
- Join our Parent Facebook Group

SCHOOL EVENTS and FUNDRAISING

- Teacher and Staff Appreciation week wrap-up
- Lafayette Academy Recipe book
- New spirit wear will be available to order online
- Spring Fit-a-thon

PTA FINANCES- Ivanka

- Position of Co-Treasurer is available if anyone is interested please reach out to the PTA to discuss

SLT UPDATE - Ann Kristin

TEACHERS CONCERNS/ NEEDS/ UPDATES

PRINCIPAL ZAGER'S ADDRESS

[Join the PTA meeting](#)

Connect with the Lafayette Academy Community

Please join us on the [Lafayette Academy facebook group](#) to share information about community events, sell used items or request advice on service providers from other members of the Lafayette community.

Search for Lafayette Academy on [facebook](#) and request to join. Also don't forget to check out the school [Instagram account](#).

Roads to Success - Afterschool

The afterschool program continues to run virtually and from Monday March 1st will hold in person classes for students attending school in the building that day.

The program is free to all students of Lafayette Academy and there is an opportunity to earn \$48 a month for participating.

Click [here](#) to find out more.

PTA Family Giving Fund

Please use PayPal to make all donations to Lafayette Academy PTA Family Giving Fund.

We invite you to donate \$25 per family if you're able. Donations above this amount would also be greatly appreciated.

[Donate to our Family Giving Fund](#)

Fundraising Tips

Amazon Smile

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to the program. We recently earned \$100.

To participate go to smile.amazon.com and click on Amazon Smile in the upper left-hand corner - Your Account - Your Amazon Smile - and from here you can choose a charity (search for "Lafayette Academy PTA") and start shopping! The program will donate .5% of eligible purchases to our school.

Community Updates

CEC District 3 Elections - Voting begins May 1

If you missed the CEC Candidate forums last week, you can find recordings of both the April 7th and April 10th forums [here](#) with candidate statements [here](#). Voting begins May 1 and will be open to parents of all students.

How to Vote: Parents vote for the councils that serve their children using their [NYC Schools Account](#).

- [DOE Parent University: How to Vote in Upcoming CEC Elections](#)
- [Video: How to Vote in Upcoming CEC Elections](#).
- [Voting FAQs](#)

Please contact elections2021@schools.nyc.gov if you additional have questions.

PTA Executive Board

Happy to be serving you together this year!

Co-Presidents - Susan Long Voldere and Lakendra Kellam

Co-Vice Presidents - Olivier Souchard and Annalisa Petersen

Co-Secretaries - Marie-Noelle Ottomani and Anne Pengilly

Treasurer - Ivanka Hadjiyska

Email us about anything. We would love to hear from you!

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See what's happening on our social sites:

