

WELCOME BACK FROM YOUR PTO!

We hope you all had a wonderful summer and that your students are settling into their new routines!

In particular, we would like to welcome all the parents and students who are new to Sumner Academy. We are confident that you will find Sumner Academy to be a great fit for your student. Please reach out to us if there's anything we can do to help ease your transition.

The goal of the PTO is to support the educational programs, extracurricular activities, and community of Sumner Academy in any way possible. In addition to our fundraising efforts and PTO sponsored events, the PTO is behind the scenes for most of the major happenings around SA throughout the school year.

As a Sumner Academy parent, **you are a member of the PTO!** While we have an active Executive Board, we are always in need of fresh energy and ideas, and there are many ways to get involved and lend a hand. We would love for you to join us at our next PTO meeting on **Monday, August 12**, at 8am in the Cafetorium.

Thank you,

The Sumner Academy PTO Executive Board
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2019-2020 PTO GIFT

Every year, the PTO makes a financial gift towards the operating expenses of Sumner Academy. **This year, the PTO Gift will help defray the cost of updating our physical and online Language Arts textbooks.**

2019 SUMNER ACADEMY READ-A-THON

Our primary fundraiser this year is the **Sumner Academy Read-a-thon, which begins on August 19th and concludes with an in-school slumber party celebration on August 30th**. Students will collect flat pledges or pledges for each 10 minutes of reading they complete. Periodic prizes will be given for top readers AND for top pledge collectors! We are looking forward to a fantastic two weeks of literacy and raising money for our school!

There are several ways that you can support the Read-a-thon and the PTO Gift:

1. **Become a Read-a-thon Sponsor:** Sponsorships are an easy way to support Sumner Academy while promoting your business! Individual (non-corporate) sponsors are also welcomed and recognized. There are various levels of sponsorship, starting at just \$100, with corresponding levels of recognition. Sponsorship information will be coming home soon.
2. **Pledge in support of your child's reading efforts:** Pledge sheets and a link for online pledge payment will be coming home soon.
3. Proceeds from **Spirit Wear** and **Balloon Shop** sales also go towards the PTO gift. Please keep that in mind as you decide on Spirit Wear and Balloon Shop purchases this year. Spirit Wear order forms are in your packets and Balloon Shop forms will come home soon.

OTHER WAYS YOU CAN HELP

The PTO also raises money through the **BoxTops** and **Publix Partners** programs. These programs are **free** – you can earn money for SA through purchases you are already making!



The BoxTops program is transitioning to an app-only format, BUT, don't let that stop you from sending in those unexpired BoxTops coupons! **We can still earn money with physical BoxTops coupons.**

The **BoxTops App** is available for both Apple and Android mobile devices. Download the app, register, scan your receipt – done! That's all it takes to raise money for SA!



The **Publix Partners** program is also free and easy – simply register your phone number and designate Sumner Academy as your school on the Publix website, then, enter your phone number during checkout.

Our participation in these two programs yielded almost \$2000 last year! Please support the PTO's fundraising efforts through these two free, easy programs.

We appreciate your support!



2019-2020 Meeting Schedule

Monday, 8/12 – 8am, Cafetorium
Wednesday, 9/18 – 3:15pm, Art Room
Monday, 10/21 – 8am, Cafetorium
Wednesday, 11/13 – 3:15pm, Art Room
Monday, 12/9 – 8am, Cafetorium
Wednesday, 1/15 – 8am, Cafetorium
Monday, 2/10 – 3:15pm, Art Room
Wednesday, 4/1 – 8am, Cafetorium
Monday, 4/27 – 3:15pm, Art Room

All members of the Sumner Academy community are welcome and encouraged to attend! Students may stay in after-care free of charge while their parents are attending PTO meetings.

Spirit Wear Days

Mark your calendars for this year's Spirit Wear Days!
On Spirit Wear Days, students may wear approved Spirit Wear tops with their uniform bottoms.

August 16
September 20
October 25
November 22
December 13
January 24
February 21
March 27
April 17

Find us on Facebook for info on meetings and other upcoming events!