



## 6/7/18 Meeting Highlights

- Our Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) voted and approved a name change to become a Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) to clarify that we are no longer affiliated with the national PTA, nor do we owe them annual dues.
- The PTO passed a \$3,000 provisional summer budget for fundraising and community-building activities that will take place before our 9/20/18 meeting, where members will vote on the full 2018-2019 budget.
- A draft of the 2018-2019 budget is posted on the Google Group. Join the Google group here: <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/marie-reed-pta/join>
- Please continue to submit budget priorities and any comments on the draft budget this summer to [mariereedpta@gmail.com](mailto:mariereedpta@gmail.com) or in the suggestion boxes placed at the front and back doors of the school until 6/15. So far we have heard:
  - Spots for everyone in the after-school program
  - More after school arts & crafts, games & exercise (especially in winter)
  - Replacing wood chips on ECE playground or spraying for mosquitos
  - More teacher appreciation
  - More arts, music & sports (swim team, tennis lessons, Stoddert soccer)
  - Uniform exchanges 3x per year
  - Big field trips
  - Days-off camps
- Check [www.mariereedes.org](http://www.mariereedes.org) this summer for the launch of our new website in a few weeks!
- The PTO will create a Parent Directory. To be included, please complete the form included in the green folder.
- After School enrollment has started for the fall. Enroll here: <https://dcps.dc.gov/afterschool>
- The PTO sells concessions during the Adams Morgan movie nights this summer. Please contact Emily Touboli [emilytoubali@gmail.com](mailto:emilytoubali@gmail.com) or Paty Huber [Paty.c.huber@gmail.com](mailto:Paty.c.huber@gmail.com) to help out with the last 2 nights: 6/19 Pixar Shorts and 6/26 The Big Lebowski

## Mark Your Calendar



- 6/15 - Last day of school – pickup @ 12  
(NO AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM)
- 6/25 – Summer camp starts
- 8/17 – Teacher Meet & Greet: K-5<sup>th</sup> grades
- 8/20 – First day of school: K-5<sup>th</sup> grades
- 8/21 – Teacher Meet & Greet: PK3 and PK4 (tentative)
- 8/23 – First day of school: PK3 and PK4
- 9/8 – Adams Morgan Day
- 9/20 – First PTO Meeting (vote on annual budget)

Find the full calendar at [www.mariereedes.org](http://www.mariereedes.org).

## 2018-2019 PTO Fundraising

The 2018-2019 fundraising strategy is still under development but we are exploring new or enhanced initiatives to raise money from the following sources:

1. A parent/community “night out” & auction
2. Adams Morgan Day Student Art Sale & concessions
3. Parent contributions
4. Corporate sponsors
5. Local sponsors
6. Pursuit of grants

Will you please join on to help with one or more of these initiatives? Whether you have 2 hours or 20, daytime or evenings, we can use your help. **Also please let us know if you have a connection that will help us raise money from a particular source.** Please email [terrablodnikar@gmail.com](mailto:terrablodnikar@gmail.com) and/or [daripegach@gmail.com](mailto:daripegach@gmail.com). Thanks!

## STUDENT ART SALE FUNDRAISER

The PTO will hold a student art sale at Adams Morgan Day on 9/8 to raise money for after school enrichments. Please leave any student art you are willing to donate to the sale with Ms. Monfrini or in a collection box by the front or back door of the school. Additionally, any unclaimed or unidentified art at school after 6/15 will be donated to the art sale.