

Meeting minutes from Class of 2018 5th Grade Promotion Meeting Friday, September 8th 8:20am, Day Care Room, Marengo

Welcome by Kimber Crow, 5th Grade Promotion Chair

Why does the 5th Grade Promotion committee raise money?

Following the order of the agenda presented to attendees, Kimber presented the structure of the school year and how it relates to 5th Grade Promotion.

1. The Promotion Committee and 5th Grade parents begin fundraising during the school year prior to 5th grade with the Square One Art Fundraiser. The subsequent fundraisers are: Talent Show After Party & Spring Dance bake sale (both happen during 4th grade) followed by the Pumpkin Patch and OSS send off bake sale (which happen during 5th grade).
2. The funds raised by the 5th Grade Promotion volunteers will cover the following for every 5th Grade Student: a yearbook, class of 2018 t-shirt, enhanced souvenir invitation, decorations for Promotion ceremony, enhanced Promotion certificates, day of Promotion lunch & pool party at SPSHS.
3. Based on funds raised, the Class of 2018 will also purchase a class gift for Marengo toward the end of the year.

Marengo provides the following:

- Promotion location (Marengo campus), shade & chair rental
- Basic Promotion invitations and certificates
- 5th Grade Teaching team creates the theme and prepares the students for the Promotion ceremony. The theme is typically decided upon around OSS.

How much does the committee need to raise?

5th Grade Promotion typically costs between \$6 & 7K. Currently, the volunteers have raised \$3,500.

Fall Family Festival Pumpkin Patch: Friday, October 20th

The annual pumpkin Patch is the largest fundraiser for the 5th Grade Promo team. We are currently in need of a sponsor. A total sponsorship of \$2,500 will pay for the wholesale purchase of the pumpkins. With sponsorship, the pumpkin patch can raise up to \$5,000. The sponsor can be either a single underwriter or several people or businesses. The committee has asked parents to help find a sponsor. If the pumpkin patch is underwritten, we can easily meet our fundraising goal. Interested people are encouraged to reach out to Kimber directly.

Fall Family Festival Movie Night: Friday, October 20th

PTA President, Adrienne Shanley and the PTA Executive Board have granted the 5th Grade Promo team the proceeds from the Fall Family Festival Movie Night concessions (after the cost of the movie license).

Crafts for Fall Family Festival

Parents at the meeting also asked about craft stations for the children that come to the Fall Family Festival. It was mentioned that donated crafts would also add to potential revenue for the event.

Fall Family Festival LEAD Volunteer Opportunities:

The Committee is looking for volunteer parents to take the lead on the following:

Pumpkin Patch design and set up

Pumpkin Patch sales and Valet pick up at Preschool Gate

Concessions

Crafts

Pumpkin Patch tear down

Fall Family Festival Volunteer Opportunities:

-during the school day (pumpkin patch set up and sale after school),

-after school (pumpkin sales, pumpkin pick up valet)

-before the movie night (crafts and concessions)

-during the movie (concessions and pumpkin patch tear down)

on-line sign ups for the volunteer shifts will be available soon

Yearbook News

The yearbook chair, Saida Staudenmaier has been working with a few parents to test an online upload system for the yearbook. Keep a look out for information on the 5th Grade page on the PTA website for instructions. This will enable parents to upload images throughout the year for the yearbook. Saida is also in charge of organizing the annual Fire Truck photo in the Spring.

5th Grade Promotion Committee

Committee Chair – Kimber Crow - Kimber_crow@yahoo.com

5th Grade Yearbook Coordinator– Saida Staudenmaier

5th Grade T-shirt – Julie Hinman

Promotion Day Logistics – Holly Bruce

The 5th Grade Promo Committee is also looking for parent volunteers for

- OSS bake sale coordinator

- theme logo design

- graphic layout for invitations and certificates

- promotion decorations and promotion set up and tear down

**Be sure to check the 5th grade page
(<http://marengopta.org/parent-resources/5thgrade/>) on the
PTA website for current news.**