



# The Wheatlands Wolftracks

## Newsletter

SEPTEMBER  
2018

### Announcements:

Boosterthon Fun Run

Date: September 27

### Important Dates

September 3 – No School

September 13 – Mc Teacher's Night

September 14 – PTO Meeting @ 10:00am

September 17 – Fun Run Kickoff

September 20 – Picture Day

September 21 – No School

September 24 – Culver's Night  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade serving

September 27 – FUN RUN

September 27- Portillo's Night

### Notes from Dr. Harmon

**Thank you for a successful start to the school year! Learning is alive at The Wheatlands! The students have settled into their new classrooms and the teachers are providing engaging lessons on a daily basis. Some questions you might want to ask your child(ren) each night are:**

- **What are you writing about in school?**
- **How do you show Respect to your classmates and the adults at school? What is the Golden Rule?**
- **What did you read or was read to you in school today? What did you like about the story?**
- **What did you learn about in Math today? Did you understand it?**

**[Click HERE to learn about The Wheatlands School Positive Staff Recognition Program!](#) We are in need of donations of \$5-10 gift cards for staff who are recognized and selected for our weekly drawing. If you are able to make a donation, please send to me (Dr. Harmon) in the office. Thank you!**

**Please remember to join our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), which provides enhancements to our students' learning opportunities at The Wheatlands every day. We appreciate your support of our upcoming Fun Run to assist the PTO and raise funds for more technology in our school for all students.**

**We appreciate the strong home and school connection that has been established at The Wheatlands and look forward to continuing to build on this relationship to best benefit our students.**

## LRC News

We are kicking off the Birthday Book Club this week in LRC. Students will be introduced to this library donation program and shown samples of previous selections. Last year, we received over 90 new library books!

Students can sign up through September 21st. Paper copies will be available on the circulation desk in the LRC. You may also print it from the attachment to this newsletter. Please let Mrs. Seiple know if there is more information you require.

## Notes from Nurse Losey

The nurse's office is looking for clothes to keep on hand. If you have jeans, sweatpants, shorts, or underwear in any size for boys or girls, please consider donating to Mrs. Losey. Thank you!

## School Job Opportunities

Do you hold a Valid Illinois Educator License with Stipulations - Paraprofessional or Professional Educator License or Substitute Teacher License? If so, The Wheatlands is looking for Substitute Teachers Assistants. If you are interested, please contact the main office for more details.

Are you looking to earn a little extra money and have the same days off as your child? The Wheatlands is looking for a Lunch/Recess Supervisor from 11:00am - 1:15pm Monday - Friday. If interested, apply at [sd308.org](http://sd308.org).

## PTO INFO

### The Wheatlands Fun Run is coming!

This year we have set a goal of \$18,000 to put toward the purchase of Chrome Carts for the entire school. By partnering with Boosterthon, our students will participate in a two-week fitness based fundraiser where they will learn essential character traits through this year's theme: Mindspark Mystery Lab!

Please help us reach our goal by connecting with sponsors. We will be sharing more information as we get closer.

### Pledging Opens - 9/10

Log on to [Funrun.com](http://Funrun.com)

### Kickoff Pep Rally - 9/17

### Fun Run - 9/27

Save the date! Families are invited.

### McTeacher's Night

We will have our second annual McTeacher's Night at McDonald's on Thursday, September 13, 5-8 pm. The Wheatlands receives 15% of sales from that evening. We have several staff members signed up to work at the counter, drive thru, and serving guests. Please come out and see them.

We will also be selling apple pies again. You may even see Dr. Harmon in the pie costume. We are looking forward to another fun and successful McTeacher's Night. We hope to see you there.

We hope the transition back into the school routine has gone well for everyone!

Thank you to all who have joined the PTO already. We truly appreciate your support. You may still join at <https://thewheatlandselementaryptoil.ptoffice.com> and use password twolves1819 to register.

And, thank you to everyone who showed up for our first meeting of the year. We had a wonderful turnout, and we are grateful for your support.

**CLASS ROOM PARENT and ART PRESENTER** sign ups were out at Curriculum Night. Several classes still need an art presenter. Please contact us at [thewheatlandspto@gmail.com](mailto:thewheatlandspto@gmail.com) if you are interested.



The Wheatlands collects Box Tops. Please remember to clip them when you see them. Send them in to school in a baggie or envelope marked with your child's name, grade, and teacher. There are also collection sheets available on [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com). You may also download the Box Tops Bonus App for extra Box Tops. Last school year we raised over \$1500 for our school.

**DINING NIGHTS...** September 24 is Culver's Night with the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade team serving. \*\*\*New this year\*\*\* September 27 is Portillo's Night. The Wheatlands will receive 20% of sales.

#### The Wheatlands PTO

Michelle DeDecker, President

Nicole Trackman, Vice President

Kim Graves, Treasurer

Maria Sweeney, Recording Secretary

Sonya Daguinsin & Stephanie Hoskins, Corresponding Secretaries

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Text @thewhea to 81010 to receive text alerts from PTO

Join our Facebook group: The Wheatlands PTO!

## **If you are interested in becoming a substitute TA ...**

### **This is the first step (you need one of the following):**

1. If you have your bachelor's degree – you will need to provide your official college transcripts to the ROE office to get your para-pro license.
2. If you have 60 college credit hours – you will need to supply the ROE with your college transcript, as well as, your high school diploma to get your para-pro license.
3. If you do not meet the criteria in #1 or #2, you will need to take the ETS para-pro test. To do this you will need to call the Morris office to find out the test date (there is a \$60 fee for this test).

### **This is the second step:**

After you have one of the above requirements satisfied, you will need to apply online for your para-pro license with the ROE (call the ROE @ (630) 553-4168 for steps on how to fill out this online application). There is a \$75 fee + a \$1.75 service fee for this.

### **This is the third and final step:**

After you are issued your para-pro license, you will need to register it with the state and this will cost \$60 to be registered.

Once you have your para-pro license registered with the ISBE, let Dr. Tammie Harmon know and she will email Kris Odum in our district office to have you go in and have the District 308 approval form signed to have you fingerprinted at the ROE and put on the AESOP system to be a sub TA in the district. You will need to bring your drivers' license, a voided check, social security card, and a completed physical. You have up to 30 days to get your physical after you have gone to district office. Let Dr. Tammie Harmon know if you have any questions by phone: 630-636-3510 or email [tharmon@sd308.org](mailto:tharmon@sd308.org). You can also call Bethany Thatcher at the Regional Office of Education at (630) 553-4168.



The  
Wheatlands  
Elementary

A NIGHT OF FRIENDS,  
FAMILY AND FUN!

## SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL

Teachers will be selling pies in a pie costume!  
"Cash only for Pie Purchases"



Thursday, September 13, 2018

5:00-8:00 p.m.

Bring your family and friends on this special  
night to help raise money for The Wheatlands!

Join us at McDonald's

2230 S. Eola Rd.

(Your brand new Aurora McDonald's)

Aurora



# THE WHEATLANDS BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB

*“A Book is a Present You Can Open Again and Again”*

Are you looking for a fun way to honor your child’s birthday? The Wheatlands LRC has the answer! Donating a book to the LRC helps build our library collection and makes your child feel special at the same time!

**How it works:**

- ✓ Enroll your child at the beginning of the school year. Please choose if you would like to donate a new book (purchase on your own) or pay \$ 16 to have us choose a library-bound one for you.
- ✓ The birthday book will be delivered during the first week of your child’s birthday month. If your child’s birthday falls during the summer months, we’ll recognize him/her on their half birthday.
- ✓ A book plate with your child’s name will be placed in the front of the book.
- ✓ Your child gets to be the first one to check it out from the LRC. As years pass, he/she will enjoy seeing other children check out “their” book.

If you would like to join the Birthday Book Club, please complete the bottom of this letter and return it to the The Wheatlands LRC with cash or check for \$16 by **September 21st**.

Make checks payable to “The Wheatlands Elementary”.

If you have any questions, please contact  
Jessica Seiple at 630-636-3503 or email- [jseiple@sd308.org](mailto:jseiple@sd308.org)

Student’s name \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle one: (I would like to)

Donate a new hardcover book

Pay \$16 & order a  
library bound book

