

## PTO NEWSLETTER

#### **REASONS TO JOIN**

- It's Free! Joining the PTO doesn't cost a thing—no membership fees, just the kindness of your time and ideas.
- Flexible Time Commitment:
   Whether you can help a lot or
   a little, any contribution is
   appreciated, and we
   understand your time
   constraints.
- Non-Commitment Support: If you're short on time but still want to help, we gladly accept donations of items for events.
- Minimal Fundraising: We get it, fundraising can be overwhelming. Our focus is on spreading joy, not running fundraiser after fundraiser!
- We Need YOU for Events: We can plan all the events, but without your help, they can't happen. So we will ask you to help us staff some of the more fun events.
- Connect with Awesome
   People: We're all parents who
   want the best for our kids, and
   it's a great way to meet other
   like-minded families.
- It Benefits Your Child:

  Research shows that children
  with involved parents perform
  better academically and
  behaviorally. Be a part of their
  success!

## **WELCOME**

Now that we're all settled into our new classrooms and schedules, it's time to start planning exciting activities! Welcome to the Parent Teacher Organization, where we focus on celebrating our children, and our school: home of the Gray Wolves!

#### FIRST MEETING

Date: Tuesday, October 8th Time: 7:30 PM (virtual)

With families from Albany, Rensselaer, and Saratoga Counties, we want to make attending easy, so our PTO meetings are virtual. Join us from the comfort of your home and learn how you can be part of a fun, supportive group. A meeting link has been sent out; please contact us if you've misplaced it!

## YOUTH BANKING

We're thrilled to announce a new partnership between Broadview and ASCA for a Youth Banking Program, called Accelerate Youth. This is a great way to teach students financial literacy early on and earn extra money. Children can learn valuable skills to enhance financial knowledge and well-being through fun activities. They'll have the opportunity to earn \$10 for completing a different task every two months, and can cash in up to \$60 per year! Open a youth account and start earning incentives today.







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#### HALLOWEEN - TRUNK OR TREAT

Get ready for our annual Trunk or Treat event on **Thursday, October 31st**, during school hours!

Families can decorate their car trunks in fun or spooky ways, creating a Halloween celebration right here at ASCA.

**Sign-Up Details**: A flier will be sent out soon for those interested in participating, with a little more information about how the day will be laid out. You can always email pto@ascaalbany.org with any questions.

**Donations Welcome**: Can't make it? You can still contribute by donating candy or non-food treats. Remember, we have children with allergies, so we need items that are peanut-free, dairy-free, and red dye-free.

Let's make this Halloween fun and safe for everyone!

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

- PTO Meeting: Tuesday, 10/08 (Virtual)
- 1st Spirit Day: Thursday, 10/10 (Wear pink for Breast Cancer Awareness)
- No School: Friday, 10/11 (Teacher Professional Day)
- No School: Monday, 10/14 (Indigenous People's Day)
- Trunk or Treat: Thursday, 10/31

We're looking forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and working together to create the best school experience for our kids! To stay up to date or get involved, email us at pto@ascaalbany.org.

Best regards, ASCA PTO Team