

Principal's Message on 11/24

Good Evening SFES Families,

Thank you to everyone that was able to attend the Friendsgiving parties on Friday. As I shared last week, we had to limit the number to two parents/caregivers per student and only school age students in the parties to ensure enough space for all families.

Please remember that Monday and Tuesday are early release days at 12:50 with no school on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of this week!

### **Pie/Dessert Donations on 11/25**

We are still in need of some pies and desserts for staff to show our appreciation! We need 70 desserts by Monday, November 25th.

- Please drop all desserts off in the main office by 4:00 PM on Monday the 25th.
- If you can donate a pie, please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084DABAB2FA4F94-53347135-its>

### **New: Family Game Night on 12/05 at 6:00 PM**

We will be hosting our Family Bingo Night on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024. We will sell the bingo boards for \$1 for 2 boards. We will do 6 – 8 rounds of bingo. There will be pizza and snacks for purchase as well. Come out for some food, awesome prizes and tons of fun all while supporting SFES students and the PTSA!

- See the [Flyer](#) for details!

### **New: Picture Retakes on 12/09**

Classic Photography will be photographing new students, students who were absent on the original picture day, and any student whose parents are requesting a retake. If you are interested in having your child's picture retaken, the student should bring the original photo package, including original envelope and all picture products, to turn into the photographer when they come to sit for a new picture. They do not need to fill out a new order form.

### **Federal Aid Forms**

A blue Federal Impact Aid Survey was distributed. This form should be filled out by Military families with students attending MCPS and Federally-connected parents/guardians of MCPS

students working or living on federal property in Maryland. Please return these blue survey forms to your student's teacher or to the main office.

- If you are not a Military family, you can disregard the form.

### **Volunteers Needed to Support Our PTA**

We need volunteers to chair many of our PTA sponsored events this year. Please visit our [Committee/Volunteers site](#).

Below is a tentative listing of our events for the year, but we need your help! We need chairs and volunteers to organize and execute our events. Without your help, we simply cannot offer the beloved events that our students look forward to.

Please send an email to [info@sfspta.org](mailto:info@sfspta.org) to chair an event or non-event.

You will have the support of the PTA board to assist you every step of the way!

Events: Grandparents Day; Spelling Bee; Heritage Night; Geography Bee; Pastries with Parents; STEM Fair

Non-Events:

- Communications - Communications are critical in seeking event volunteers and keeping our Stallion families informed of upcoming events and opportunities. We are specifically looking for someone to manage our membership email listing and monthly newsletter.
- Yearbook - The Stallion yearbook is a treasure each year to our students and a hot commodity. The PTA needs a yearbook coordinator starting at the beginning of the year. Much of the yearbook work is done at home at a time that's convenient.
- Photography - We need photographers to attend PTA and school events throughout the year to take pictures for our yearbook.
- Teacher Appreciation- We need a coordinator for those times where we show our teachers and staff how much they are appreciated. Coordinating breakfast and lunches throughout the year

Key Dates:

- 11/25- Early Release
- 11/26- Early Release
- 11/27-12/01- No School
- 12/03- PTA meeting
- 12/05- Family Game Night
- 12/06- 5th grade Field Trip

With Gratitude,

Mrs. Fortune