

Happy New Year Woodland Families and Staff!

The PTA would like to thank everyone who donated new or gently used coats, hats, and gloves to our annual coat drive. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to provide winter clothing to many families in need in our district.

We are also grateful to all of our parent volunteers during our Holiday Shop at Intermediate last month. Our event was a success because of you.

Speaking of volunteering, the PTA's next big event will need your help! Our Mardi Gras Dance is quickly approaching on Saturday, March 10. Volunteers are needed for setup during the day and to work the dance in the evening. Please sign up at <http://signup.com/go/dYSCsTZ>.

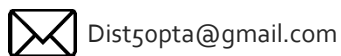
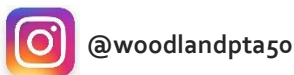
It's not too late to support Woodland PTA by becoming a PTA member. We still have calendars available, which are free with your family or staff membership dues of \$15. Register as a member at www.woodland50pta.com.

~Antoinette Corelis, PTA President

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"WORKING TOGETHER FOR OUR CHILDREN"

As always, you can learn more about the PTA or volunteer for events by going to:



Mardi Gras is coming! Sat., March 10, 6:30-8:30p.m. At Intermediate School

Please join us for our annual Mardi Gras Dance. This fabulous, New Orleans themed event is for children and their parent (or special adult in their life) and is filled with music, food, and fun. Early bird tickets are \$5 each (\$7 at the door).

Interested in helping? Sign up at:

<http://signup.com/go/dYSCsTZ>

Questions - contact Angel at:
mardigrasd50@gmail.com



The Woodland Parent Teacher Association is taking a look into the 2018-2019 school year. We have come to realize that we, as a district, are in a critical situation. Several long-term members will soon be leaving and the PTA is in desperate need of help. We have multiple positions available for the next school year – president, vice president, secretary, membership, fundraising, communications, book fairs. If these positions don't get filled - there will be no PTA.

In the current budget crisis climate, the PTA provides so much to our district. What would no PTA mean? It means no more assemblies for our students. It means no more ROAR Run, Holiday Shop, or Mardi Gras dance. No more teacher grants. No more ROAR awards or field day bouncy castles. No more Book Fairs means fewer books for the libraries.

PTA provides a lot of great things for our schools and the students but we can't do it without help!

DISTRICT NEWS

Did you know ... you can visit

<https://www.dist50.net/Page/321>

to see what our school board is voting on and what plans there are for the future? Or attend a school board meeting! The next one is **Jan 25, 2018 at 7:00p.m.** at the Educational Support Center.

First Lego League Robotics

This year the PTA proudly sponsored the first FLL team, Woodland Robocats, at Intermediate for 4th and 5th graders. The team of 10 students competed with their robot, "Jeff," in December and won the rookie award! To learn more about FLL, visit <http://www.firstlegoleague.org/> If you are interested in helping to build this program in our other schools, please email woodlandfll@gmail.com



Mardi Gras Float Contest

Students from K-5th grades are able to submit one Mardi Gras Shoebox Float for the fun and creative contest! Use any theme from your favorite book, movie, team, TV show, or toy. All floats must be submitted by 4p.m. Thursday, March 1 for judging. Winners will be announced at the Mardi Gras dance. All floats will be out for display at the dance so we can see all the amazing ideas that are created. Regular sized shoe boxes please! We are not responsible for lost items from the floats but, will do our best to monitor the floats when on display. Email questions to mardigrasd50@gmail.com

395 vs. 4,000

Current family memberships versus families in our district. There is still time to join and support our efforts. Visit today!
<https://www.woodland50pta.com/join.html>

Calendar

- Jan 18 – PTA Meeting @ESC 9:30a.m.
& PRI PBIS Nite 6:30p.m.
- Jan 19 – Report Cards!
- Jan 25 – School Board Meeting
@ESC 7:00p.m.
& ROAR Fun Fair
@INT 5:00-7:00p.m.
- Jan 26/27 – MS Winter Play
- Jan 30 – Incoming Kindergarten Night
@PRI 6:00p.m.
- Feb 3 – Wolves Game
- Feb 7 – Wendy's Fundraiser
- Feb 9 – 3rd Quarter Midterm
- Feb 15 – PTA Meeting @ESC 9:30a.m.
& Incoming Kindergarten Night
@PRI 6:00p.m.
- Feb 16 – SIP Day – Early Release
- Feb 19 – President's Day – No School
- Feb 21 – Chicago Woodfire Pizza Fundraiser
- Feb 22 – School Board Meeting
@ESC 7:00p.m.
- Feb 27/28 – EW 3rd Grade Concerts

Early Release Times:
10:40a.m. MS ~ 11:15a.m. INT
12:00p.m. EE/EW ~ 12:10p.m. PRI

Acronyms:
BPAC – Bilingual Parent
Advisory Committee
EE – Elementary East
ESC – Educational Support Center
EW – Elementary West
INT – Intermediate
MS – Middle School
PRI – Primary School
WELE – Woodland Early



Chicago Wolves Outing

Looking for a fun, family night out? Come on out to the Chicago Wolves game on Saturday, February 3 at 7 p.m. at the Allstate Arena. The Wolves play the Rockford Ice hogs and it's promised to be a good time!

Orders may be submitted by mail, phone, or by fax. (Do not send orders to the schools). If you would like to sit with a group of friends, please submit multiple order forms in one envelope. An order form is available at www.woodland5opta.com. **All payments must be received by Thursday, February 1.** Tickets will be mailed to your home address listed on the order form or held at Will Call, if purchased less than 7 days before the game.

Package A: \$25 (Wolves ticket and hat)
Package B: \$21.50 (Wolves ticket only)



The Fundraiser Flash!

Join us for food, fun, and friendships all while supporting the Woodland schools.



Chicago Wolves
2.3.18

See above for more details!
Order forms on www.woodland5opta.com!



Wendy's 2.7.18 5-8p.m.

6585 Grand Ave, Gurnee, IL
Just mention "Woodland Dist 50!"



Chicago Woodfire Pizza
2.21.18 5-8p.m.

6170 Grand Ave #337, Gurnee, IL
Watch for the flyer to come!



Thank you to Angel Herod, Jen Garrow, Wildcat Music Boosters, Ceramics for You and all the volunteers for making holiday shop a success!