



Mills Park Elementary PTA

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Dear Parents,

Given the news today from WCPSS about canceling all field trips in response to the novel Coronavirus, COVID-19, the PTA has had to reevaluate our schedule for the rest of the year. Our largest event, the annual spring carnival, was set to take place on April 25th. Every year, we strive to host an event that offers guaranteed fun for our families while offering new and exciting things – and our families respond! Last year we had around 1500 people in attendance. Unfortunately, one of the smartest things we can do to protect our families and our broader community is to not host large events and therefore to cancel the spring carnival.

Our carnival is our second main fundraiser of the year, following Boosterthon. We rely on those funds to pay for so many programs, supplies, and equipment that all students at MPE get to use and enjoy. We also know how excited the students get looking at all the amazing raffle baskets that come in every year that parents work so hard on. In light of that, we are going to move forward with our silent auction and raffle basket portion of the carnival. Bidding apps on your phone or computer have made it easy to streamline bidding on auction items as well as purchase raffle tickets for baskets, which will be raffled off as planned. Both will significantly help us meet our obligations to the school to finish out the year strong in providing for MPE students, while not having to have 1500 people on campus sharing germs! More information will be forthcoming regarding placing bids and purchasing raffle tickets for the baskets.

We appreciate your unwavering support for Mills Park Elementary and our PTA. We are disappointed that we are canceling the carnival but feel it is in the best interest of our students, families, and staff. Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

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