**PTA at a Glance**

Check out these reminders about upcoming May Watts events and activities. You can click on the appropriate link to get more information. You can also get more information about these and other events at <https://wattspta.membershiptoolkit.com/>. There is also a Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/MayWattsPTA/>

**Upcoming Events**

September 15 – Deadline for Sponsors for Color Run

September 19 – Picture Day

September 25 – PTA General Meeting - Our first PTA General Membership meeting will be at 7pm in the LMC

October 7 – Color Run Fundraiser

October 25 – STEM Night

**PTA General Membership Meeting**

We have our first PTA General Membership Meeting on Monday, September 25 and ALL parents are invited to attend. We will be voting on our budget and talking about all that is going on in the PTA this year! Let’s pack the LMC!

**Color Run Fundraiser – “Let Your Colors Run!”**

Save the date for our first 1 Mile Color Run Fundraiser on Saturday October 7th at 4 pm. The PTA is excited to bring you the first ever May Watts Family Color Run. This fun family fundraiser should be a great time for all involved. Thanks to our Premier sponsor, Naperville Innovative Orthodontics.

We are also looking for sponsors to help offset the costs of running the event. There are four levels of sponsorship starting at $50 – Premier, Gold, Silver and NEW this year, our Home-Based Business sponsors! Please contact Lisa Kuhn by September 15th at lakuhn001@yahoo.com if you have questions or would like to sponsor!

**Reflections Program**

2017-2018 Reflections Program:   The Reflections program is a Fine Arts competition sponsored by the National PTA.  It encourages children from across the nation to showcase their skills and creativity.  The theme for this year's program is "Within Reach."  Students are able to generate contest submissions in any or all of the following categories:  dance, visual arts, photography, music composition, literature, and film.  Students can submit as many projects as they like in as many categories as they like.  A flyer with more information will be sent home through backpack mail next week.  For program rules and guidelines, please visit <http://illinoispta.org/reflections.html>

Reflections Special Artist Division  The National PTA Special Artist Division is an option for students with disabilities who receive services under IDEA or Section 504 to have the opportunity and accommodations they may need in order to participate fully in the program. The Special Artist Division offers modified rules and guidelines to ensure that every student has the chance to be part of the National PTA Reflections® program.  To read more about this option, please visit <http://www.illinoispta.org/reflections.html>  and scroll down to "[17-18 Rules Special Artist](http://www.illinoispta.org/pdf/16-17%20Rules%20Special%20Artist%20Illinois.docx)"

Projects will be due in October.  An exact date and time will be announced on the flyer that is coming home and through future At A Glance postings.

**Room Parent Volunteers Needed**

May Watts PTA is looking for Room Parent Volunteers for the 2017-18 school year in the following classes: 3Brayton, 3Macchiarella, 5Vaid, and 5Tucker

If you would like to be considered for this role, please send an email to moranchek@comcast.net . Thank you!

May Watts PTA ~ Room Parent Coordinator, Karen Moranchek

**PTA Chairs**

Did you know that PTA has *60 chair positions open each year*?  That's 60 different parents at May Watts who step forward each year to volunteer their time to make our community strong and our kids' educational experience even more special.  Plus, there are hundreds of parents who come forward to help with those events - pre-planning, organizing and executing.  Thank you so much to everyone who makes PTA happen!  If you'd like to get more involved with PTA this year, we have several chair positions still open.  Contact Matt Jones at tofinland@yahoo.com or Lisa Kuhn at lakuhn001@yahoo.com if you have questions or would like to chair.  Thank you!

* School Morale Standing Chair
* March Teacher Meal
* PE Volunteer Coordinator Co-Chair

**PTA Membership Form 2017-2018**

Welcome back May Watts!  We are proud to welcome you to join, support, and participate in the May Watts PTA.  The PTA is a partnership between the parents and staff of our school.  We are looking forward to a great year and hope you’ll join in our efforts.  Thank you for your support!

Your $20 membership supports the programs we provide to the school – staff appreciation, STEM, Multi-cultural night, classroom parties, Science Fair, teacher support, and so many others.  With your membership, you also gain access to the Watts family directory – available online and on a mobile app.

Please complete the attached form.  Return it and your payment to school in an envelope marked  “PTA Membership” as soon as possible.

**Naperville Kids Marathon**

Registration is available for the Naperville Kids Marathon.  The deadline for registering is September 15, 2017.  This fitness program offers a unique chance to encourage students to make healthy choices, learn about goal setting and see how much fun running can be. Students commit to running 25 miles (one mile at a time) between May 1 and October 20 and track their miles. On October 21 they run the final 1.2 miles at Naperville North High School and receive a Naperville Kids Marathon finisher medal and shirt. Students can participate as part of Team IPEF and be a charity runner for their school.  Participants will receive a special Team IPEF shirt.  Cost is $44 per child and includes race registration and a $26 tax deductible donation to the Indian Prairie Educational Foundation. Students must be 5-13 years old by October 21 to register.  To learn more about the Kids Marathon please use this link <https://www.ipef204.org/kidsmarathon/>.

**Thank you for supporting the May Watts PTA!**