

## November 2024 Gilbert PTO Newsletter

All Gilbert Schools parents, guardians and staff are invited to join us at our next meeting, **Monday, December 2, 7:00 p.m.** in the high school library to learn more about the exciting things happening with Gilbert PTO! \*Please note we are no longer hosting the morning recap meeting.\*

### Trunk or Treat a Spooky Success

Trunk or Treat 2024 was a HUGE success thanks to so many in our community! The volunteers who hosted trunks went above and beyond to make the day special. Candy donations from families and Fareway made sure we had plenty for all the trick-or-treaters. The Becker Family Sesame Street was voted fan favorite! With over 800 people attending, it was a full house, and we're already excited for next year!

### Gilbert Fire Station Visit

Thank you to the Gilbert Fire Station for hosting our Tiny Tigers Play Group! Firefighter Josh Bennett shared about fire safety with almost 60 parents and kids and then let all the kids check out the fire engine. The group put together a basket of goodies for the firefighters to enjoy as a thank you for serving our community.

### Celebrating Our Principals

October was National Principals Month and we hosted a special luncheon with all building principals. We served a catered lunch and surprised them with a tiger print full of words their staff and students shared to describe them. It's no surprise they had wonderful things to say! We're so grateful for their leadership of our schools and support of PTO.

### Conference Meal Donations

PTO is planning to show our teachers some love for the long hours they put in during conferences by providing them with dinner both nights. We do this at all 4 schools so that's about 300 meals served! It's something our teachers greatly appreciate, and we can't do without your help. Each school has a separate sign up for each night. There will be a catered dinner, fridge full of drinks, and an after-school snack mix. All donations are appreciated! Sign ups: [Elementary](#) / [Intermediate](#) / [Middle](#) / [High](#)

### Conference Childcare

PTO is offering free childcare for school-age children at the elementary school from 4-7 p.m. both nights of conferences. Please fill out [this Google form](#) if you plan to take advantage of the service. Drop-ins are welcome, but there will be a capacity limit so please consider filling out the form. We're also looking for additional adult and high school student volunteers to help with the kids. [Volunteer Sign Up](#)

### Book Fair Volunteers

Mrs. Roetman is in need of volunteers to help students with their book fair wish lists. [Book Fair Volunteer Sign Up](#)

### Christmas Cookie Walk

Join us for our third annual Christmas Cookie Walk on Saturday, December 7, 9:00-11:00 a.m. at the elementary school! You'll be able to shop for homemade goodies, enjoy some hot cocoa and tour the decorated classroom doors. If you love to bake, now's your chance to shine! Plus, there are spots to help the day of the event. It's a sweet way to kick off the holiday season! [Christmas Cookie Walk Sign Up](#)

### Tiny Tigers Play Group

Bring your babies, toddlers and preschoolers to Gilbert Public Library on Monday, December 9, for a gingerbread man scavenger hunt, story time and cookie decorating and eating.

### Staff Favorite Things

Find favorites of Gilbert Schools staff [HERE](#). \*This is a voluntary list to fill out and not all staff choose to do so.\*