STATE STREET ELEMENTARY FEBRUARY 2023

PTO Newsletter

Parents - Teachers - Students

Valentine's Dance for 3rd-5th Grade

State Street Elementary's First-Ever "Dance Off"



On February 10th, about 100 3rd-5th Grade students attended State Street Elementary's Valentine's Dance! The students enjoyed a live DJ, Photo Booth, food and lots of fun! Also, those who attended had the opportunity to participate in a first-ever "dance off" at State Street Elementary, where the students chose the best dancer in each grade. Congratulations Danyica (3rd Grade), Briella (4th Grade) and Stephen (5th Grade)! We certainly have some talented dancers at State Street Elementary!



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YOU made PTO thrive in February!



VALENTINE'S DANCE

3rd-5th Grade's "Dance Off"



SPREADING KINDNESS

Giving Back to Our Community



FINANCE

Fundraisers & Treasurer's Corner



SHOUTOUTS

Thank you to our volunteers!

STATE STREET ELEMENTARY PTO FEBRUARY 2023

Spreading Love & Kindness Giving Back to our Community

Throughout the month, PTO encouraged students to spread love & kindness in the community, to each other and to their bus drivers. State Street may be small, but we are mighty in kindness!

Week 1 - 100th Day of School Celebration

PTO spread love & kindness by sponsoring a 100th Day of School Spirit Week. PTO gave donuts to our fabulous teachers and staff as a "thank you for making us 100 days brighter" and gave "100th Day of School" themed bracelets, pencils and popsicles to all students.



Week 2 - "Super BOWL" Food Drive

Students were encouraged to help predict which team would win the Super Bowl by placing cereal box donations on that team's table. We collected 154 boxes of cereal, plus several boxes of food, for our community. The final prediction was: 84 Philadelphia Eagles and 70 Kansas City Chiefs.



Week 3 - Clothing Drive for Adults & Children

Our State Street Family was encouraged to continue spreading love and kindness by donating new and/or used clothing for adults and children. State Street Elementary's Principal, Mrs.

Hoover, is the Homeless Liaison for the Ambridge Area School District and she ensured all of the clothing donations were distributed to those in need throughout our community. Thank you Mrs. Hoover for all you do to help our homeless.



Week 4 - Bus Driver Appreciation

Students and their families were encouraged to think of creative ways to show extra appreciation for their bus drivers. PTO also showed appreciation by giving Sheetz gift cards to each of our State Street Elementary drivers! Thank you for going the "extra mile" to keep our students safe.

Cereal Box Domino Run

A STEAM Demonstration for All Students

PTO partnered with our fabulous STEAM teacher, Mrs. Darroch, to create a first-ever "domino run" at State Street Elementary! Cereal boxes that were donated during the food drive were used to create a circular domino run in the gymnasium. All students were excited to watch the boxes fall "domino style"! Mrs. Darroch drew a kindness ticket and that student started the domino run. Congratulations Abigail in 4M!



Pittsburgh CLO Assembly

"A Boy from Troy"

YOUR support allows PTO to provide fun, memorable and educational experiences to our students and their families. In honor of "Black History Month" in February and upcoming "Music in Our Schools Month" in March, PTO provided students with the opportunity to see Pittsburgh CLO's newest musical production titled "A Boy from Troy". Thank you Pittsburgh CLO for teaching our students about African American history in a fun and engaging way!



Nothing Bundt Cakes

Fundraising for PTO Activities

The PTO Board loves to support and partner with local businesses. Last April, we tried a "Nothing Bundt Cakes" fundraiser and it was a huge hit! By popular demand, PTO brought this fundraiser back in February 2023 and we were overwhelmed by the response. Our "small but mighty" State Street Family sold 1,023 bundt cakes! The \$1,023 raised from this sale will help pay for upcoming field trips, field day, student activities and more! Thank you for your continued support of PTO.



Treasurer's Corner

Finance Update: February

PTO depends on successful fundraisers to cover field trips, field day, assembly and student activity costs. Thank you for your continued support!

Our upcoming fundraisers include: Anderson's Candy, Penny Wars, Kennywood Ticket Raffle, etc.

Summary of February Income:

- Nothing Bundt Cake Fundraiser \$1,023
- Valentine's Dance RSVPs \$485
- Donation from Monticello's Baden \$150
- Dr. Seuss Raffle Basket \$123

Summary of February Expenses:

YOUR support allowed PTO to giveback about \$1,920 to our State Street Family! These funds paid for 100th Day Of School bracelets, pencils & popsicles for all students, donuts for teachers & staff, Dj and Photo Booth for the 3rd - 5th Grade Valentines Dance, Valentine's Box Challenge prizes for each grade, Pittsburgh CLO assembly, Dr. Seuss raffle basket items, and cereal box donations for the food drive & domino run.

- THANK YOU PTO could not thrive without
YOU and your support!

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We'd like to give a big, beautiful "THANK YOU" to our donators, volunteers, teachers/staff, vendors & community groups who helped make PTO possible in February!

Volunteers

- Principal Jo Ann Hoover
- Mrs. Beverly Cobern
- Mrs. Nicole Darroch
- Classroom Valentine's Day Party Volunteers
- Valentine's Dance Volunteers: Stacy Brock (5th Grade Teacher), Meagan Fabanich, Amy Fitsko, Marquie Hudak, Brittani Loftus, Cindy McFarland, RaeAnn Smedley, Danielle Zatchey.
- Nothing Bundt Cake fundraiser distribution volunteers: Melissa Coley, Cheri Wojciechowski and Colin Sutton.

Vendors & Community Groups

- DJ Christopher Hyre
- Fotobomz
- Nothing Bundt Cakes Cranberry Twp.
- Pittsburgh CLO
- We Care Food Pantry Baden



Meet our littlest Bridgers! Mrs. McKenzie has several baby chicks that recently hatched in her 4th Grade classroom. The teachers, staff and students named them: Bean, Broccoli, Wingding, Smoky and Black Panther.