

Forest Ridge PTA Newsletter

Dear Forest Ridge Families,

Thank you to everyone who has sponsored the PTA already! There's still time to send in your sponsorship forms. The form is at the bottom & can be found on all of our social media platforms. Our PTA calendar has been a huge bonus to our sponsorship, so we need to order more so keep sending in your forms! Thank you to our families who helped us start the year off strong with our chalk the walk, skating party, Rainbow Cone dine out, Raising Canes dine out, & purchasing school supplies over the summer. We have a lot of fun things planned for your this year! We're still collecting pop tops so keep sending them in!

Since October brings **awareness** to many topics that touch the hearts of the families in our district, we have selected the following days to highlight our awareness & show our support. Please wear **BLUE on Oct. 2nd** for National Anti-Bullying Day, **GREEN on Oct. 10th** for World Mental Health Awareness Day, & **PINK on Oct. 19th** for Breast Cancer Awareness.

We're looking forward to our next **Dine Out at Nicky V's on Tues., Oct. 17th from 11am-8pm**. Just mention you're with the PTA when ordering & they will donate 25% back to us. We are also having our trailer there for our Saver's Clothing Drive. If there is no one there, just put your bags of clothes in the trailer.

We're looking forward to our **PTA Sponsored Trunk-or-Treat & Pumpkins & Pizza event for our Forest Ridge D142 families & staff. It will be on Thurs., Oct. 26th from 5:30pm-7pm @ KERKSTRA**. If you plan on Trunk-or-Treating (this is FREE), please send the form back with how many people will be attending. We want to make sure we have enough candy for everyone. If you choose to purchase a Pumpkin & Pizza package or additional pumpkins, please send your form with money to school by Oct. 16th. Pumpkins & Pizza is pre-paid only. Pumpkins & pizza's not picked up will be donated that night. Concession & Smencils will be available to purchase. To help make this run smoothly, we are in need of some **volunteers**. You're able to signup through our signup genius @ <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094FA4A62FA2F49-44516964-trunkortreat>. We will send out an email the week of the event with important information on parking & the trunk-or-treat layout.

Now is the time to go through your closets because before you know it you'll be changing your seasonal clothes out. Our PTA is collecting clothes & additional items for our **Savers Clothing Drive** this month. The flyer below is what we are able to accept. We will be having **4 drop off dates, times, & locations**. 1.) Oct. 11th 6-8 @ Thornton Powell Insurance (5550 147th St, Oak Forest), 2.) Oct. 17th Nicky V's Dine Out from 11am-8pm, 3.) Oct. 22nd Kaleb's House of Shrieks (5900 School St., Oak Forest) from 12pm-8pm, 4.) Oct. 26th from 5pm-8pm @ Trunk-or-Treat/Pumpkins & Pizza @ Kerkstra.

If you have ever wondered what your PTA does, maybe you are interested in joining our board, or maybe you just need a night out? Come join us on the 1st Thursday of the month for our monthly **PTA Meeting**. Our October meeting will be at Durbin's on 147th & Cicero. It is open to anyone who wants to join us. Thank you again for your continued support!
Your Forest Ridge PTA

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Saver's Clothing Drive all month long
- Oct. 2nd-Wear Blue for National Anti-Bullying Day
- Oct. 10th-Wear Green for World Mental Health Awareness Day
- Oct. 17th-Nicky V's Dine Out & Saver's Clothing Drop off 11am-8pm
- Oct. 19th-Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness
- Oct. 26th-Trunk-or-Treat & Pumpkins & Pizza @ Kerkstra from 5:30pm-7pm
- Oct. 31st-Classroom Parties-More info to follow from your schools (Ridge, Kerkstra, & Foster)

NEXT MONTHS UPCOMING EVENTS..

- Book Fair-Hille (Nov., 8th, 9th, & 10th), Kerkstra (Nov., 10th, 14th, 16th, 21st, & 22nd), Ridge (Nov. 14th, 21st, & 22nd), Foster (Nov. 14th, 16th, 21st, & 22nd). More info will be sent out through the school for specific times & volunteer opportunities.
- Ornament Night-Nov. 28th

Follow us on:

Website: <https://frpta142.com>

Facebook:

Forest Ridge PTA
Ridge PTA
Kerkstra PTA
Foster PTA
Hille PTA

Twitter:

@d142PTA
@RidgePTA1
@Foster_PTA
@KerkstraPTA
@HillePTA1

Instagram:

forestridgepta
kerkstrapta
foster_pta

GroupMe: https://groupme.com/join_group/71202728/lpj1AQ9U

During Events.... PLEASE FOLLOW THE CURRENT CDC/IDPH GUIDELINES

Don't forget to download the BOX TOP app. Scanning your receipt is easy & only takes a couple of minutes. Keep clipping & sending box tops in too. This goes directly to your school & the programs they have there. Easy money for our schools.

Market Day is back! Visit marketday.com & choose Forest Ridge PTA as the school you're supporting. Order anytime & it gets shipped to your house!!



**FOREST RIDGE PTA DINE OUT
NICKY V.'S
6200 W. 159TH ST.
TUES., OCT. 17TH
11AM-8PM**

Just mention you're with the PTA & they'll donate 25% back to us





FOREST RIDGE PTA HALLOWEEN EVENTS



TRUNK-OR-TREAT

Thursday, October 26th (Rain or shine)
at Kerkstra Elementary (14950 Laramie Ave)

5:30pm-7pm (decorated cars stay until ALL Trunk-or-Treaters go through)

This is a free event for Forest Ridge District 142 families ONLY! Make sure to RSVP with the form below
Wear your Halloween costume and bring a bag to collect candy in!
Smencils and concessions available for purchase.



PUMPKINS & PIZZA

1 large pumpkin and
1 large 16 inch pizza (choice of cheese, sausage, or pepperoni) \$17

Additional pumpkins \$7 each

Pumpkins & Pizza is PRE-ORDER only event

Orders and payment due by October 16th.

Pickup is during Trunk-or-Treat on October 26th.

****Any pizza and/or pumpkins not picked up during the event will be donated that night**

Questions or prefer to receive an electronic Square invoice to pay? Email pta-events@d142.org. Credit card payments will be charged \$1 fee.

Please complete the bottom portion and return to school with your child by October 16th, including payment (cash or check made payable to Forest Ridge PTA) if ordering Pumpkins & Pizza

****FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR FAMILIES...NO PETS, SCOOTERS OR BIKES ALLOWED AT THE EVENT****



Family Name: _____

School: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

TRUNK-OR-TREAT

PUMPKINS & PIZZA

(Choose all that apply)

Plan to attend Trunk-or-Treat with _____
(number of) Trunk-or-Treaters

Will decorate my car for Trunk-or-Treat
(Must stay until all Trunk-or-Treaters go through)

Will decorate my car for Trunk-or-Treat AND
will pass out candy
(Must stay until All Trunk-or-Treaters go through)

Will donate candy (Please send to school by
October 24th)

Choice of Pizza (please circle):

Cheese

Sausage

Pepperoni

***If you want multiple Pizza/Pumpkin combos, please circle or
put the number of combos you want**

_____ Additional Pumpkins @ \$7 each

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

*\$17 per pizza/1 pumpkin combo
& \$18 if using a credit card
\$7 additional pumpkins

For PTA	use only
Cash	
Check	
Square	
Payment	



Report

Clean out your closets and cupboards for Forest Ridge PTA!

Help us get the word out. Click and share. #fundrive2fundraise



FUNDrive® Coordinator
Forest Ridge PTA

pta-events@d142.org

Our Goal: \$1000
385 Tall Kitchen Bags (avg. 13 lbs.)
75 Medium boxes (household goods)
Fundraiser Dates:
10/01/2023 - 11/03/2023

Now's the time to start cleaning out your closets! We are collecting soft goods & household items for our Saver's Clothing Drive. The funds we raise will help us fund free events like Trunk-or-Treat, Summer Bash, Teacher Grants, & Intramurals. We have 4 dates & locations we are collecting with one being our Forest Ridge PTA Trunk-or-Treat event on 10/26 from 5pm-8pm. Any little bit helps! Thank you for your continued support

We Are Collecting

Clothes

men's, women's and children's clothes, coats, shoes, scarves, handbags, wallets, fashion accessories, ties, belts, backpacks, etc.

Household Textiles

bedding, comforters, blankets, sheets, towels, linen, tablecloths, curtains, pillows, etc.

Small Household Goods

kitchen items (such as pots/pans, dishes, silverware, glasses, serving pieces and hand-held appliances), home decorative items, knick-knacks, toys, games, and small electronics

Books

paperback, hard cover - all genres
**no encyclopedias or text books*

Please use bags for clothes and textiles and tightly pack boxes of small household goods. Separate books from household goods and media. All items must be clean and in sellable condition.

Community Collection Days

October 11
06:00 PM - 08:00 PM
Thornton Powell Insurance
5550 147th St
Oak Forest, IL 60452

October 17
11:00 AM - 11:00 PM
Nicky V's
6200 159th St
Oak Forest, IL 60452

October 22
12:00 PM - 08:00 PM
Kaleb's House of Shrieks
5900 School Street
Oak Forest, IL 60452



Forest Ridge PTA

Join my group on GroupMe!



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The best way to chat with everyone you know
www.groupme.com



FUNDrive® is an eco-friendly fundraiser for nonprofit organizations. Collect gently-used items in your community and FUNDrive® will buy them.

Visit <https://FUNDrive.savers.com> to learn more.



The cost of our PTA membership is only \$15!!
 Funds go towards providing programs for our students,
 teacher grants, and much more! By becoming a member
 you are helping create opportunities and supporting
 initiatives that directly benefit the children of our district!
 As a thank you for your membership, you will receive a
 calendar featuring the artwork of our D142 students!



One calendar is included with your membership, however you may purchase additional calendars for \$7 each. ***Memberships and calendars are while supplies last!***

Visit our website www.frpta142.com or any of our Forest Ridge PTA social media pages to learn more about who we are and what we do, as well as upcoming events. While you're there, you can view slideshows and pictures from our events, such as Trunk-or-Treat/ Pumpkins & Pizza, Family Fun Night, Summer Bash and even learn why it is important to sponsor your PTA!



Join Today!

(Please print clearly)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: Cell () _____ Home () _____

Email Address: _____

My child(ren) attend (check all that apply):

____ Ridge ____ Kerkstra ____ Foster ____ Hille

Name, teacher, and school of child to send calendar home with:

Additional calendar \$7 each (while supplies last): _____ Total enclosed: \$ _____

2023-2024 Membership Fee \$15

Make checks payable to *FOREST RIDGE PTA*

Return this form with cash or check in an envelope marked PTA Membership to school with your child
 OR email your PTA membership form to d142ptamembership@gmail.com and an invoice will be emailed
 to you to pay with a credit/debit card via Square. There is a \$1 processing fee if using a card.

Follow us on...



Cash	
Check #	
Credit Card	
Invoice Sent	
Calendar Sent/Other	

PTA USE ONLY



Forest Ridge PTA Calendar of Events

2023-2024

Follow us on...



www.frpta142.com

August 2023

30 PTA DINE OUT*
(Tentative Date)



November 2023

2 PTA Board Meeting
7pm @ TBD

22 PTA Event To Be
Announced*

28 PTA Event To Be
Announced*



February 2024

1 PTA Board Meeting
7pm @ TBD

15 PTA Event To Be
Announced*

22 PTA DINE OUT*
(Tentative Date)



May 2024

2 PTA Board Meeting
7pm @ TBD

6-10 Teacher Appreciation
Week

16 PTA Event To Be
Announced*

22 PTA DINE OUT*
(Tentative Date)

teacher appreciation week

September 2023



7 PTA Board Meeting
7pm @ TBD

13 PTA Event To Be
Announced*

21 Wear Yellow For
Pediatric Cancer
Awareness

26 PTA DINE OUT*
(Tentative Date)



December 2023

7 PTA Board Meeting
7pm @ TBD

13 PTA DINE OUT*
(Tentative Date)

27 PTA Event To Be
Announced*



March 2024

7 PTA Board Meeting
7pm @ TBD

8 PTA Event To Be
Announced*

13 PTA DINE OUT*
(Tentative Date)

18 PTA Event To Be
Announced*

19 PTA Event To Be
Announced*



June 2024

4 PTA DINE OUT*
(Tentative Date)



October 2023



2 Wear Blue For National
Anti-Bullying Day

5 PTA Board Meeting 7pm
@ TBD

10 Wear Green For World
Mental Health Day

17 PTA DINE OUT*
(Tentative Date)

19 Wear Pink For Breast
Cancer Awareness

26 PTA Event To Be
Announced*



January 2024

HAPPY NEW YEAR

11 PTA Board Meeting
7pm @ TBD

17 PTA Event To Be
Announced*

24 PTA DINE OUT*
(Tentative Date)



April 2024

4 PTA Board Meeting
7pm @ TBD

17 PTA DINE OUT*
(Tentative Date)

25 PTA Event To Be
Announced*



***Additional information and flyers for restaurant and shopping fundraisers will be sent home closer to the event.**

***All dates are subject to change. Additional events may be scheduled. Please see our PTA website and social media for up-to-date info.**