



Parent Org News

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WHAT IS THE PARENT ORG (PO)?

It's ALL of YOU!

P.O. stands for Parent Organization! *Simply being an OLG family makes you part of the Parent Organization (PO)!* Officially, we are a group of committed parents who love to be involved with our children's school and enjoy working together for the greater good of our school and education of the students.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 28: Holy Thursday Soup Supper (Hosted by OLG School Staff)
- March 29: Noon Dismissal
- April 1-8: Easter Break
- April 9: Parent Org Meeting
- April 16: Class Pictures
- May 14th: Parent Org Meeting
- May 15th: Spring Concert
- May 17th: Spring Family Bingo Night

Loop the 'Lupe: June 8th

Don't miss Seattle's best obstacle course 5k fun run at Walt Hundley Playfield on **Saturday, June 8th**. Even our youngest bulldogs (ages 1-8) can participate in a 1k youth dash or run the whole 5k. There's a mud pit, wall climb, squirt gun alley and more! All proceeds benefit OLG Parish.

Sign up here:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/WA/Seattle/LoopTheLupe>

SUMMER CONNECTIONS

Just because school isn't in session doesn't mean we have to lose touch!

Last year, we brought back OLG's participation in July's **West Seattle Grand Parade**. Thank you to the Brady family for blazing that trail!! We will be back again this summer!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for July 20th!

Please look for a sign-up genius later this spring for ways you can contribute (and get a jump start on volunteer hours for the 2024-25 school year).

Other summer ideas that popped up at this month's PO meeting:

- OLG group events at a **Dub Sea Fish Sticks** baseball game or **Junction FC** soccer match.

If you're interested in spearheading a fun community event like this, please reach out!

P.O. Meeting Highlights

March

Principal Report

- Financial aid packets went out last Friday
 - Financial aid packets decreased
- Registration is due this Friday
 - Registration fee was raised
- Tuition increase
- Teacher raise was budgeted
- Parish subsidy doesn't cover 100% of the "in-parish" students
- School supplies: Still under discussion
- The only teacher we know for sure that is leaving is Jake Zwaller (5th Grade). He will be missed!
- Thanks to Heather and Courtney for the amazing auction!

Treasurer Report

- Charleston Wrap funds received (\$4,784)
- \$25k payment has been made to the school from PO funds
- Final auction numbers will be available at next month's meeting
- Early indications are that the Parent Organization will be able to meet our \$125k fundraising commitment to the school for the first time in many years!

Old Business

Auction Re-cap- Heather/Courtney

- Numbers are not finalized, but it looks like we've made **\$155k gross** before expenses (which is \$15 - 20k more than any of the auctions in the last 5 years)
- Fund a Need far exceeded our target of \$20k
- Most buy-a-spots sold out
- Silent auction raised just short of \$35k
- Bar was fully funded
- Have things to think about for next year
- Sending out a survey requesting feedback and possibly theme ideas

Huge Thanks to

Heather Fernandez & Courtney Armitstead,
our Rock Star Auction Co-Chairs!
You **ROCKED** it!

New Business

- Spring Bingo and Bake Sale: May 17th
 - More fun with a little bit of fundraiser
 - May have a Hawaiian theme again
 - Held in the school hall
- Head start on 2024-25 School Year
 - Incentives (more hours) for early sign-up for lead volunteer positions
 - Emphasis on shared positions
- End of year teacher celebration (\$500 available from money raised during CSW)
- Volunteer hours need to be entered before end of May
- Reviewing PO Events/Tasks for 2024-25

Please Join Us at Our Next Meeting! All Are Welcome!

Tues, April 9, 2024 @ 6:30pm (Gym Stage)

Looking Ahead

Still Looking for Volunteer Hours?

Log your hours before end of May!

- Recess monitors
- Gym monitors
- Family Bingo Night
- 65 and over luncheon
- Field Day

Have Ideas for Next Year?

We started brainstorming new ideas for next year:

- Should we have a “Welcome Back” event?
- Should we offer new spirit wear options?
- How can we do parent/child dances?
- What can be done better next year?

Do YOU have ideas to contribute? *Please join us next month!*

- Can't come? Please email us!

Did you know?

Attending the PO Meeting counts toward your hours! Bring your creativity and ideas to help us plan next year's fun!

PLEASE REACH OUT

Any questions + ideas always welcome!

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2023-24 PO Co-Chairs

Robyn Campbell
Parent to 6th/2nd

Clare Moffat
Parent to 3rd/K

Get a Jump on Hours for Next Year!

- Loop the 'Lupe (June 8th) needs volunteers!
 - Sign-Up Here:
<https://runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/WA/Seattle/LoopTheLupe>
- Do you want to grab a volunteer role for next year?
 - Volunteer-hour incentives will be given to our lead roles if you sign-up by May 1st!
 - More info about which roles qualify and additional details will be released after April's PO Meeting.

Family Spring Bingo Night: May 17th!

The whole family is welcome to come to this super fun evening. There's a bake sale, prizes and lots of good laughs. Tickets and more info coming soon- watch the school newsletter for details!



FOR MORE VISIT: www.guadalupe-school.org/parent-organization