

"HOT TOPICS" FROM YOUR MES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, SEPTEMBER 2017

- We currently have 497 PTA members (442 parent and 55 faculty members); a school record!
- Printed copies of the MES school directory which were pre-ordered by September 1 are being printed and will be distributed upon receipt within the next week; in the event that additional copies are available, they will be sold on a first come, first served basis.
- Fifth Grade students vs. MES teachers and parents Basketball Challenge is coming up on October 4 from 5:30-7:30. The entire MES community is invited to come enjoy the fun. Tickets are \$5 each, and can be purchased in the PTA Online Store. Proceeds will fund our Fifth Graders' Blue Ridge trip in May.
- Only MES Dolphin Donors are permitted to engage in any advertising using MES communications devices, and those are permitted only pursuant to the specific details set forth in the Dolphin Donors program materials. Dolphin Donor sponsorships may be purchased in the PTA Online Store
- We currently have 63 Dolphin Donors; 17 corporate donors and 46 MES families!
- Our school will welcome the Green Strides Tour on October 4 pursuant to our receipt of the 2017 Green Ribbon Award; we will also welcome a visit from the 21st Century Leadership Conference on October 5!
- Our Boosterthon Dolphin Dash was a huge success, and earned \$95,000 NET for our school!
 This exceeds last year's net by nearly \$25,000. Thank you to those who contributed!
- Our Enrichment Committee is seeking one to two volunteers to chair our Book Fair Committee.
 Without volunteer leadership, there is a chance that we will not have a Book Fair this school year. Contact Ginger Pursley, VP of Enrichment, if you are interested in a Chair position.
- Our PTA and APS are working on getting the fence on the Field of Dreams replaced in full.
- Please stop into the Media Center and appreciate the newly upholstered furniture!
- Please respect our outdoor areas during non-school hours. Our school and the common outdoors areas are property of APS, and should be treated with care. Please do not expect to use the restrooms and/or water fountains inside the school after 2:30 pm on weekdays or at any time on the weekends, as these are not public amenities.
- Our SWAG Committee needs more SWAG classroom volunteers for 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade classrooms. Please contact Sandra Adams, VP of SWAG, to volunteer.
- New dates for Principal Sofianos' monthly parent coffee (all dates in the Media Center):
 - o October 5
 - o November 15
 - o December 1

- February 8
- o March 6