

Friends of Mindess PTO events for 2016/2107

- · Walking Wednesdays

When: Oct, 5, 19, 26
May 2017

Part of the national initiative to get kids moving, Mindess hosts Walking Wednesdays in the months of October and May. Kids meet at Montengro Square at 7:30 am and walk as a group to Mindess.

Volunteers are needed to walk with the kids.
Time commitment: 7:15am-8:15 am

- · Kids' Night Out (KNO)

When: Oct 21, Dec 16, March 3, May 5

A night of fun just for the 3-5 crowd. Movie, music, games, crafts, food.

Volunteers are needed to chaperone in MANY capacities as we typically get large crowds at KNO.

Time commitment: 6:00-9:00pm on KNO dates.

- · Mindess Math Night

When: TBD – potentially November

Grade-level math games and events for Mindess families.

Volunteers will be needed to help run the games. More info to come!

Time commitment: TBD

- · Family Art Night at Mindess

When: January or February 2017

Various arts/crafts stations set up in the dining room for Mindess students to enjoy. This was a huge hit last year!

Volunteers needed to help set-up, clean-up and man the art stations.

Time commitment: a few hours the night of the event

- · Read Across America/Literacy Week

When: February or March 2017

Description TBD

More info to come!

- · MCAS Care Packages

When: March 2017 – to coincide with MCAS testing weeks

Care packages containing snacks, a small toy, and an inspirational note from home are created for all Mindess students. The packages are distributed during MCAS testing weeks.

Volunteers are needed to assemble the packages.

Time commitment: a few hours to assemble the packages.

- Teacher Appreciation Week

When: May 1- May 5 2017

Daily treats for the Mindess teachers and staff to show our appreciation for all they do. Past activities have included “fan mail” from the students, chair massages, and LOTS of goodies to eat.

Volunteers are needed to donate treats.

Time commitment: n/a

- · Mindess Annual Carnival

When: Beginning of June 2017

A fun family night of games, food and friends. Past activities have included a dunk tank for teachers, cornhole tourney, a DJ and much more.

Volunteers are needed to run the games and events at the carnival, set-up and clean-up.

Time commitment: several hours the night of the carnival

- · Box Tops Collection

When: Fall and Spring

Box Tops generate a good amount of income for the schools with very little effort!

Volunteers are needed to collect the tops from the schools, count them and sort them.

Time commitment: time during the day to visit the school to pick up the collected Tops, a few hours a couple of days to sort and count the tops

- Snack Collection

When: Ongoing (weekly)

Mindess school provides healthy snacks to students in need.

Volunteers are needed to donate healthy snacks

Time commitment: n/a

District-wide PTO events:

- · Color Splash Run

When: Oct 16, 2016

The K-12 PTO is teaming up with the AHS Make a Wish Club to host a Color Splash Run. There will be courses for adults and kids which will pass through color stations where colored powder is “splashed” onto the runner.

Volunteers may be needed to volunteer in various capacities the day of the event. More info to come!

Time commitment: an hour or two at the event

- · Murder Mystery Dinner

When: January 2017

2nd annual murder mystery dinner, held at the Ashland American Legion. Rumor has it that this year’s theme is 80’s night. :-)

- · Clocker Classic basketball game

When: March 2017

2nd annual Clocker Classic basketball game featuring teachers and staff from each school.

Volunteers needed the night of the event to help with tickets, etc.

Time commitment: an hour or two the night of the event

Friends of Warren and Mindess PTO Fundraisers 2016/2017

- DQ Take Over

When: Each school will have a night in May

Students at each school will be creating and voting on 3 or 4 new blizzards to be made a DQ for one day only. Teachers, administrators and staff will be on hand to serve meals and ice cream. 20% of the proceeds go directly to the PTO.

Volunteers are not needed but the more people who go the more money we make :-)

- Square One Art

When: Feb/March at Warren and Spring at Mindess

With the help of the Art teacher students create memorable keepsakes that can be purchased and some of the proceeds go to the PTO

Volunteers are not needed