

SECTION SCHOOL

PTG

2017-2018

Activities & Information



Welcome to Section School!

The PTG Board would like to wish all students and parents a successful and enjoyable school year. The Section School Parent -Teacher Group (PTG) is a group where dedicated parents and teachers promote and coordinate many of the activities taking place throughout the school year. All parents and teachers of students at Section School are automatically members of the PTG (no dues), and are encouraged to participate in the monthly meetings. These meetings are held at 7:00 PM in the Section School Library typically on the second Thursday of each month. This is a great opportunity to become more involved in your child's school. We welcome your input, and the PTG is always looking for new faces and ideas!

Last year more than 160 parents volunteered to help with school activities. Although many parents and volunteers are needed during the day, there are many opportunities for parents to help outside school hours for those with daytime commitments. We hope that you will take a few moments to review the information on many of the PTG projects/activities and then check out the volunteer website at bit.ly/sectionvolunteer.

Upcoming PTG events are listed in the monthly school newsletter, which is sent home via email or available to view on the school's website. You can also access the newsletters via the PTG website with a mobile device by [CLICKING HERE](#) or scanning the QR code below:



We invite you to attend at least one PTG meeting this year. The PTG is for everyone, and you are important! There is baby-sitting available at no cost for all who attend. If you have questions or comments, please call one of the board members. Together, we will make this another terrific Section School year.

The Section School PTG Board

2016 – 2017 Section School PTG Board

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PTG Meeting Dates

Please mark your calendars and find some time to attend
PTG meetings this year!

They are held every month of the year except July,
usually on the 2nd Thursday of each month.
There are exceptions though, so please look at the date.

A great way to learn more about Section,
connect with parents, and get involved is to attend a PTG meeting.
Parent groups play an important role in building the kind of
supportive school environment where teachers and
students alike can do their best work.

We look forward to seeing you at 7:00pm in the Library!

Free Childcare Provided!

Thursday, August 10
Thursday, September 14
Thursday, October 12
November 8 (District PTG)
Thursday, December 14
Thursday, January 18
Thursday, February 8
Thursday, March 15
Thursday, April 12
Thursday, May 10
June - TBD (Board only)

-- November's meeting is a special district wide meeting and will be held at Mukwonago High
School at 7:00 PM. Our PTG meeting will be at 6:30 PM, location TBD.

ACTIVITIES

Assemblies - A variety of appropriate educational assemblies are held throughout the year for the interest and benefit of the students at Section.

Chairperson - Robert Slane (Staff) slanero@masd.k12.wi.us

Book Fair - Section School holds book fairs every Spring and Fall. Students, teachers, and parents can browse through shelves of quality age-appropriate books and reading materials sold at competitive prices.

Profits from the sales of these are used to purchase books for classroom libraries. Volunteers are needed both during school hours and in the evening to help children select books and to handle sales.

Co-Chairs- Julie Buth (414.510.1505) littlefriends@wi.rr.com

Shelley Hinterlong (874.902.5140) shelley.hinterlong@gmail.com



Education Foundation Raffle -The Mukwonago Education Foundation conducts a raffle every fall to raise money for their programs. Section contributes a basket to be raffled off at this event.

Chairperson - Jonelle Zudonyi (414.687.4622) jzudonyi_04@yahoo.com

Girls on the Run- September-November. A nationwide program that recognizes that every girl is special, strong, and a winner. Using the joy of running, the curriculum teaches girls about healthy, positive body image, self esteem, and community service. For 3rd-5th grade girls.

Chairperson- Wendy Sellers (704.650.8692) wbsellers@gmail.com

Holiday Adopt-A-Family - In lieu of holiday classroom exchanges, a collection is taken and in conjunction with the Mukwonago Food Pantry we provide Christmas for several families in need.

Chairperson – Diane Contreras (414.517.3895) dcontreras76@hotmail.com

Library Aides - Library aides are needed to assist the librarian with shelving and checking out books for all classes. Aids sign up for a shift (2-3 hours) for the school year. Shifts are assigned early in September. Volunteers are also needed the last two weeks of school to help with the library inventory. If you have a few hours during the school day, this help is greatly needed and appreciated.

See volunteer website for dates and times

[Bit.ly/sectionvolunteer](http://bit.ly/sectionvolunteer)

Olympics Day - One day each year in late May, Section School becomes an athletic arena. Students participate in age appropriate games during the morning or afternoon. This fun-filled event is a favorite with students. Many parents are needed to join the fun and help facilitate the games.

Chairperson: Sue Carman (262.365.9722) skcarman3@gmail.com

ACTIVITIES continued

Parent/Grandparent Lunch Weeks - At specific times during the school year, students- parents and grandparents are invited to come to come have lunch at Section. Volunteers are needed to help the kitchen staff serve the many additional guests who come through the lunch line.

See volunteer website for details.

[Bit.ly/sectionvolunteer](http://bit.ly/sectionvolunteer)

Pop Tab Collection - Section School collects pop tabs to be donated to the Ronald McDonald House.

Each spring, the House holds a dump day where everyone who collects tabs dumps them into a dumpster. These tabs are then recycled and the money is used to provide funding for the Ronald McDonald House across from

Children's Hospital of Wisconsin.

Chairperson - Linda Dressnandt (262.565.8769) ldressnandt@gmail.com



Project Fair - The project fair is open to all students who wish to participate.

The student is able to do a project on any subject that interests them.

It also helps the children prepare for their mandatory fifth and sixth grade science projects.

Co-Chairs – Theresa Glasgow (414.750.4114) theresa44@uwalumni.com

Deana Knuteson (262.758.7380) dlsexson@umalumni.com



PTG Smile Club - This helps us let staff members know that we care. We send a greeting card appropriate to the event taking place in a staff member's life.

Chairperson – Missy Carmichael missyandjoe@gmail.com



Red Ribbon Week - A fun week where kids get to dress-up and have fun while they "Just Say No to Drugs".



Co-Chairs -Shelly McLain (staff) mclash@masd.k12.wi.us

Carrie Schultz (staff) schulca@masd.k12.wi.us

ACTIVITIES continued

Santa's Corner – Santa's Corner is a shop run by volunteers where students may purchase gifts for holiday giving. The shop sells small items appropriate for all ages. Many volunteers are needed to help students select appropriate gifts and to stock and sell items. The shop is open during school hours during the third week of December.

Co-chairs - Angela Risser (262.893.4450) angelarisser@yahoo.com
Jodie Kujawa (262.391.5963) jodiekujawa@yahoo.com



School Directory - Each fall a student directory is compiled by PTG volunteers with students' names, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. The publication of this information is on a voluntary basis (parents have to provide it, if they so choose), and is a tremendous help in locating other Section families.

Chairperson - Jami Graber (262.352.7345) jamigraber21@yahoo.com

School Store - The school store is a place to purchase standard school supplies and a few fun items for classroom use. 6th grade students operate the store, which gives them an opportunity to practice some of the math and human relations skills they have developed during their years at Section. Profits help fund the year-end 6th grade class trip. The store is open during specific lunch times.

Chairperson - Ginger Westen (262.378.4618) gingerwesten@sbcglobal.net

Section Garden – Daily Troops keep the garden area at Section's Main entrance green and growing. A couple of days a year (Fall and Spring) are devoted to weeding, planning and general maintenance of this area.

Chairperson – Becky Dahl (262.617.6706) rebeccademeyer@yahoo.com

Sectionfest - This is an event day unique to our school. The purpose of Sectionfest is to share policies, goals, expectations and curriculum to insure a smooth start to our school year.

Chairperson - Kim Soquet (378.4192) mukmomof3@gmail.com

Section Showcase- An event in the Spring that allows for Section students to be a part of an all-school event. In the past we have had a variety show as well as this past year's One Book, One School event. It also encompasses the all school Art Show where students show off their hard work from the year in art class. This year's event is TBD.

Chairperson- Jen Cotturone (262.363.0805) wxjen@wi.rr.com
Section Staff

ACTIVITIES continued

Sixth Grade Activities - Sixth-grade parents are wanted to help with the events that comprise the Farewell Activities - a picnic and also a separate completion ceremony. Help coordinate this one-time event that will be a memory for your sixth-grader forever.

Co-Chairs: Theresa McGillivray (262.490.3639) theresa.mcgillivray@gmail.com
Niki Trapp (414.882.3476) knoctr@yahoo.com

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Spirit Wear- T-shirts, sweatshirts and more! Items imprinted with the Section Hawk logo. Details to be sent home in September.

Chairperson - Diane Contreras (414.517.3895) dcontreras76@hotmail.com



Staff Conference Dinner - Each Fall during conference time the PTG provides dinner for all the teachers and staff who schedule conferences from afternoon through the evening hours. Volunteers are needed to organize, provide food, and serve this dinner.

Chairperson – Eduardo Alarcon (262.385.5469) eduardoalarcon76@gmail.com

Summer Math Mania - The PTG offers Section students the opportunity to participate in this Summer math program in order to help them maintain their hard-earned skills during vacation. Volunteers are needed for weekly check-ins and also to help with the end of the program party.

Co-chairs –

Registration: Nicole Wilson (staff) wilsoni@masd.k12.wi.us
Check-in: Jodie Kujawa (262.378.4817) jodiekujawa@yahoo.com
Party: Lalita Matrise (262.308.3523) lmatrise@gmail.com
Julie Panetta (262.378.4603) panettacrew@gmail.com

Teacher Appreciation Week - Every spring Section School parents spend a week showing the teachers and staff our appreciation for all they do for our children. A variety of activities have been held in the past, such as a brunch, a simple luncheon, and the popular “leisure lunch.” Many volunteers are needed to provide food, time, and good ideas to help us all express our thanks.

Co-Chairs – Becky Dahl (262.617.6706) rebeccademeyer@yahoo.com
Julie Schultz (262.378.4436) juleswfd@wi.rr.com
Jenny McFarlin (262.989.8627) bnjmcfarlin@yahoo.com

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Art - This program is for 5th and 6th graders who would like to learn additional techniques beyond what they have learned in art class each week. It is run after school one day a week for 6 weeks - in fall for 6th graders and spring for 5th graders.

Chairperson - John Grundman (Staff) grundjo@masd.k12.wi.us

Basketball - 5th and 6th grade boys and girls meet on separate afternoons forming four school basketball teams. This is a no-cut program that allows children a chance to learn basketball skills and sportsmanship and to have some fun on the court once a week from December - March.

Town of Mukwonago Recreation Department

Club Invention- Club Invention is an exciting afterschool program where your students will learn through hands-on fun. Children in grades 3 & 4 are immersed in adventures that encourage creative problem-solving and enhance the understanding of STEM concepts.

Chairperson- Jen Cotturone (262.363.0805) wxjen@wi.rr.com

Code Ninja- An after-school program that helps kids turn creativity into writing code. Available in two levels of difficulty, from beginner to advanced. Details sent home in Friday folders in the Fall and Spring.

Chairperson- Julie Bennett (staff) benneju@masd.k12.wi.us

“Kids-Only” Newspaper - This program is for fourth, fifth, or sixth graders who are interested in journalism. The Kid’s Only Newspaper is published few times a year with the help of parent volunteers.

Co-Chairs - Angela Risser (262.893.4450) angelarisser@yahoo.com



Lego League - A competitive challenge for 4th, 5th and 6th graders designed to explore science and technology through the use of Legos. This program typically meets in the evenings.

Chairperson –Bryan Vrbetic (262.422.8426) bvrbetic80@yahoo.com

Shawn Peters-Thomas dawnandshawn08@gmail.com

Ski Club - This is an evening activity that meets 1 time each week for 6 weeks after the 1st of the year.

Ski Club members group together in order to get discounted rates at Alpine Valley. Parents are responsible for both transportation and supervision of their children.

Chairs: Jean & Cory Mohr (414.899.8344) mohrartz@gmail.com

FUNDRAISING

Artsonia – An online art resource where students' artwork can be viewed by anyone around the world. It is the world's largest student art museum. From this website, you can purchase various items (such as coffee mugs) with your child's artwork on it. 10% of the proceeds are returned to the school's art program.

Candy Bar Bingo - A popular fun family night, held in February, which includes numerous games of bingo (winners receive candy), dinner, a bake/beverage sale, and a raffle. Many volunteers are needed to organize and run this event.

Co-chairs - Karen Cesar (262.363.2804) cesarjohnkaren@aol.com



Candy Bar Bingo Raffle & Silent Auction - Held along with Candy Bar Bingo Night. Section families donate items for grade level baskets, which are then raffled off at the end of the evening. A volunteer is needed from each grade level to coordinate a basket. Our silent auction will be held throughout the night and winners will be announced at the end as well.

Co-chairs - Tracy Davies (262.227.5170) spunkydavies@yahoo.com

Lanie Bartkowiak (262.378.4135) lanibartkowiak@gmail.com

Fall Fundraiser - This is the PTG's MAIN fundraising campaign for the year, and the profits are used to fund the many activities and projects sponsored by the PTG. This year's fall fundraiser will be Section 60--a fitness fundraiser. Unlike previous years, Section will be keeping 100% of the profits. This will be a flat donation fundraiser. Students will be participating in a special 1 hour gym class containing during September. Students will be doing fun activities that promote exercise.

Our goal is \$13,000 and if reached we will forgo all other fundraiser for the remainder of the school year!!

Co-chairs - Sue Carman (262.365.9722) skcarman3@gmail.com

Corrie Zarccone (262.391.4909) corrie.zarccone@gmail.com

FUNDRAISING continued

Family Movie Night - This is a great opportunity for Section families to come together. Movies are voted on by the students in advance. 6th graders have the opportunity to volunteer their services. In exchange for helping with set-up, snack counter and clean-up during the evening; all proceeds will be contributed 50% toward End of Year 6th Grade Activities and 50% 6th Grade Field Trip.

Co-Chairs – Linda Dressnandt (262.565.8769) ldressnandt@gmail.com

Robin Czesinski (414.737.1673) rczesinski@yahoo.com



Rebate Program - There are several very easy, ongoing fundraising projects where you can help your PTG. All money earned through the rebate programs goes directly into the technology fund, which is used to purchase up-to-date equipment for teachers to use in the classroom.

1. **Box Tops 4 Education.** - Clip the box top coupon off participating General Mills and Pillsbury products.

-Bring them to school and we can redeem them for cash (10 cents a top!)

- Shop online through the Box Tops for Education Marketplace. Up to 10% of your purchase will go to our school. Over 100 stores participate!

- Charge your purchases with the Box Tops for Education Visa Card. A full 1% of anything you charge will be donated to our school!



2. **Labels for Education:** Just remove the UPC codes from Campbell's cans, trim them and send them in! Lids on juice bottles can also be submitted. It's that simple. For a complete listing of participating products log on www.labelsforeducation.com. We earn points that are used in trade for sports/gym equipment for all classrooms to use at recess. This program will be ending January 2, 2018



FUNDRAISING continued

3. **Coke Rewards.** Items with codes include: all Coke brand sodas, Minute Maid orange juice bottles, Powerade bottles and Dasani water. Logon to mycokerewards.com. On the left side of the screen click on My Coke Rewards for School. Enter our zip code 53149 to find Section School and donate your points. The points will be used for sports/gym equipment.

4. **Loaves 4 Learning.** Clip UPC's off of specially marked Country Hearth and Village Hearth bread bags and send them in! Each UPC is worth 5 cents. For more information, check out the website at www.loaves4learning.com. All money raised will go toward our technology in the classroom.



5. **Kwik Trip Milk Moola/Glazers Donuts/Natures Touch bag milk Program.** All you need to do is save the specially marked milk caps from half - gallon and gallon jugs, and the top of the bag milk. Each cap is worth 5 cents! (please be kind and wash out the cap before turning them in!)

6. **Kwik Trip Kwikcard Plus- Debit or Credit-** Did you know Kwik Trip right here in town has it's own debit/credit program? As a member of this program you can earn cash back on gas and in-store purchases. You can choose a non-profit organization (such as Section PTG!) to receive the rebate every 3 months from these purchases. Simply fill out online at www.kwiktrip.com or see the in-store flyer for more details.

7. **Office Depot.** Whenever anyone purchases supplies using Section School's 5% Back To Schools Program ID #, Section will receive credits equal to 5% of the qualifying purchases to use for free supplies to be used within the classrooms!

8. **Shoparoo-** A website and mobile app that allows you to take pictures of receipts from popular shopping stores and submit them for reimbursement at our school. See www.shoparoo.com for details

9. **Tyson Project A+.** Look for Tyson products that display the Project A+ logo. The entire label must be clipped including the 1, 2, 3 program steps, NOT just the A+ logo. Return them to school and we can earn 24 cents per label.

Co-chairs Shelly Tamm (262.271.6119) shellytamm@gmail.com

Nicole Dodson (414.430.1778) nicoledsn@yahoo.com

MISCELLANEOUS PTG SPONSORED ITEMS

AUTHOR & ARTIST CONFERENCE - 2 children an author and an artist will have the opportunity to go to a statewide event to learn more about their interest.

BABYSITTING - Provided for all parents attending PTG meeting with small children. Also an opportunity for 6th grade students to babysit.

BARE BOOKS - These books are used by children, in the classroom, to create their very own story.

CAMP SKEETER - A fun "camp" activity day for first grade students held at the end of the school year.

FIELD TRIPS - PTG pays a portion of each child's field trip to help keep down the cost to the parents.

LAMINATOR - Maintenance of the machine for staff and PTG use.

STUDENT COUNCIL - We help fund and support the student council.

Want to Volunteer?

All of Section Elementary's volunteer opportunities for the 2017-2018 school year will be available online. Go to www.bit.ly/sectionvolunteer or scan the QR code below from your mobile device. You must have a volunteer background check on file in the main office before you can help out. Forms are available on the PTG website or in the main office.



SECTION PTG ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Purchased a community multicultural decorative rug for third grade.
Arranged for the maintenance of the wooden playground structures.
Assisted in the purchase of guitar cases for music classes
Contributed money to the playground and technology funds.
Rock wall in the gym.

“At the end of day the most overwhelming key to a child’s success is the positive involvement of parents”

- Jane Hull