

Weddington Christian Academy
Parent Teacher Fellowship Meeting
January 7, 2025

Parents attending were Candace Definis, Ann Johnson, Myelani Mpofu, Jen Potter, Mary Beth Roth, Nicole Simoneau, and Kristal Vaughn. Also attending were Adell Keen, TiLisa Durham, and Renee Myers.

The meeting took place at 8:30 am at WCA.

Mrs. Keen opened the meeting in prayer.

Administration:

Mrs. Keen shared that WCA has its first full-time student teacher, Ms. Schultz. She is from the Moody Institute. She also shared that the WCA Annex has been renamed Hawks Landing.

She announced that a new high school principal had accepted the position. A community meeting for rising 9th graders will be held on Thursday, January 23.

Looking Back (Fall Recap):

- Fall STEAM
 - Including the most successful book fair in WCA history with Bedford Falls.
- Grandparents Day
- Mrs. Keen suggested reimagining and elevating Grandparents Day next year.
- Week of Thanks and Giving:
 - More than 200 pairs of socks, 138 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes, and 14 Thanksgiving dinners donated.
 - More than \$30,000 donated to Hawk Fund, thanks in part to a matching gift challenge offered by a donor.
 - The schoolwide parent chapel and JK/K music programs were very successful.
- Christmas
 - Students enjoyed a Christmas STEAM Day.
 - 1st-6th program on December 20th with Cozy Coffee

Teacher Appreciation:

- Nicole read a few thank you notes for the staff Thanksgiving and Christmas gifts. She thanked Val Crouch and Whitney Tribulak for their creativity and hard work.
- Nicole asked for volunteers to help with Teacher Appreciation Week February 10-14.

Hawk Heroes Breakfast:

- The Hawk Heroes Breakfast will be held on Friday, January 31st. This event is designed to welcome dads and other influential father-figures to WCA.
- Food and setup will be handled by Chef Bob and the WMC Methodist Men's ministry. PTF will ask for RSVPs to estimate headcount.

BINGO:

- Family Bingo will be held on Friday, February 28.
- Nicole will reach out to the room moms to coordinate class raffle baskets.
- PTF will sell pizza by the slice and coordinate with Chef Bob on a salad bar.
- Jen Potter suggested shortening the event to an hour and a half and simplifying the Bingo games.
- Volunteers will be needed to set up, sell raffle tickets and pizza slices, and coordinate the raffle and bingo prizes. 8th and 9th grade may be available to help with the setup.

Healthy Hawk Fun Run:

- The Healthy Hawks Fun Run will take place on Friday, March 28th, at the end of the spring STEAM week. Candace Definis asked for a volunteer to shadow her with the goal of taking over the event next year.
- Candace reported that the 2024 Fun Run raised \$23,520 out of a goal of \$32,000 (\$200 per student with 159 students). She suggested continuing with the goal of \$200 raised per student. She will coordinate with myfunrun.com to get the website up and running.
- A fundraising email will be sent on March 10th, with a supporting chapel held on March 12th.
- Volunteers will be needed to set up, supervise the inflatable, and distribute popsicles. Two race courses will be set up, with a shorter option available for JK, K, and EC classes.
- There was some discussion of how to handle fundraising incentives. The decision was tabled for the February PTF meeting.
- Mrs. Keen suggested coordinating with Coach Sanders and our BSN rep on t-shirts. PTF will explore the possibility of moving to a dri-fit option.

Looking Ahead:

- Nicole will explore partnering with Rainbow Express/Treats with Friends for the Field Day treat.

Nicole closed the meeting in prayer.

The next PTF meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 4 at 8:30 am in the Multipurpose Room.