



*Cougar Catch: December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015*

**Calendar Link:**

**Backpack:**

**8<sup>th</sup> Graders – Lakes H.S. Pre-Registration**

**Washington D.C. Trip – 8<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Lakes High School – Family and Consumer Science Preview Day 8<sup>th</sup> Graders**

**Triple Play Special Guest Event**

**Millburn Madness Save the Date**

**Winter Break:** I hope that all of our students and families have fun, exciting, and safe times over the coming break. We have had a very nice school year and we will shortly be back in January for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the school year. We have a week and half of 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter left when we return. See you all back very soon!

**Wrestling Team:** Good luck to the Millburn Wrestling team who will have their first contest tomorrow!

**Washington D.C. Trip:** Shortly after school lets out in June, Mr. Schroeder (8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies), chaperones a voluntary trip for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to Washington D.C. I have attached the registration form for this event to the virtual backpack.

**Millburn Education Foundation Scholarship:** In the backpack, you will find all the details for 2016 High School Seniors to apply for one of three \$1,000 scholarships! Applications are due by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Good luck to our alumni!

**PTO NEWS!!**

The Millburn PTO Board would like to take the time to reflect on our year so far and send

out a huge THANK YOU to all of our volunteers and our 345 members. We could not accomplish all that we do without your help, support and volunteer hours. If you are not a member, please join or contact us at [www.millburnpto.com](http://www.millburnpto.com).

What has your volunteer hours and/or fundraising participation done for the district?

- Funded over \$8000 for Student Field Trips at MES and MMS
- Provided NOVEL IDEAS Assembly at MES
- Purchased Therapy supplies for the SOCIAL WORK Department
- Purchased an ADA swing for the playground at MES
- Provided funds for an AUTHOR VISIT/BOOK SIGNING at MES
- Purchased writing easels for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classrooms
- Provided volunteers and supplies for 31 Halloween parties in MES Classrooms
- Provided Halloween DJ Surprise during all recesses at MMS
- Hosted Halloween Family Fun Night at MES
- Hosted TWO Activity Nights at MMS
- Hosted FALL FEST at MES
- Provided a Surprise Popcorn Party for 8<sup>th</sup> graders
- Offered a Fall SPIRIT WEAR Sale
- Hosted 7 Staff Appreciation Events at MES
- Hosted 4 Staff Appreciation Events at MMS
- Provided a \$30 Stipend for each Staff Member to spend at Brainstorm
- Hosted Fall Book Fair at MES providing \$7800 in book for the MES Media Center
- Hosted Fall Book Fair at MMS providing \$5000 in books for the MMS Media Center
- Issued first version of the PTO Directory

How does the PTO pay for all of this? With your Fundraising Participation! Here's what you helped raise!

- \$5670 from Kidstuff Coupon Books
- \$1851 from Box Tops
- \$6591 from Fall Kids Resale
- \$6143 from World's Finest Chocolates

Many THANKS to all who helped in any way possible! We look forward to more success in 2016! May you have a wonderful holiday break!

Fondly,

Millburn District 24 PTO Board

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