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LMS PTA News and Events

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Longfellow Middle School PTA

Important Dates

- **Friday, February 26** - [Sign up](#) - Virtual Bingo Night & Raffle - ***LOTS OF PRIZES!***
 - **Wednesday, March 10** - **SAVE THE DATE** - Dominos Pizza Night
 - **Wednesday, March 17** – PTA Meeting & Guest Speaker - 7:30 pm
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We wanted to thank everyone who participated in the PTA meeting this week and our speakers. Thank you, Dr. Patrick and Ms. Brooks, for your participation.

Our next PTA meeting will be on **Wednesday, March 17.**

Sign up for a FUN Night

VIRTUAL BINGO NIGHT



5 GAMES = LOTS OF PRIZES

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 26TH AT 7PM

THERE IS NO COST TO PLAY AND TO WIN PRIZES

[CLICK HERE AND SIGN UP FOR A FUN NIGHT](#)

Buy a Raffle Entry...Access MORE Prizes



RAFFLE

MORE WAYS TO WIN ON BINGO NIGHT WITH OUR RAFFLE!!!

YOU DON'T NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN!

RAFFLE ENTRIES ARE \$20 EACH OR 3 ENTRIES FOR \$50

PRIZES:

- NINTENDO SWITCH
- MCLEAN RESTAURANT ROUND-UP(GIFT CARDS FROM MCLEAN INCLUDING CAPITAL GRILL!!! (VALUE \$250)
- BEST OF MCLEAN GOURMET GROCERY (GIFT CARDS FROM BALDUCCI'S, ORGANIC BUTCHER, & WEGMANS' (VALUE \$150)
- \$100 AMAZON GIFT CARD

[CLICK HERE & PURCHASE YOUR CHANCE TO WIN](#)

ALL RAFFLE PROCEEDS WILL HELP THE LMS PTA TO SUPPORT STUDENTS, TEACHER HOSPITALITY, AND APPRECIATION

ALL DONATIONS ARE 100% TAX-DEDUCTIBLE.

We Need Volunteers



Current Openings

President-Elect - The PTA is looking for a President-Elect to work with the current President and executive committee for the remainder of the year to take over for next year.

8th Grade Party - We are looking for parents to plan a special celebration for our 8th Graders at the end of the school year.

Nominating Committee - We need volunteers to serve on the nominating committee to help recruit PTA leaders for next year.

If you are interested in helping with any of these roles please contact the PTA

President, Karen Leiser, at President.PTALMS@gmail.com.

PTA Executive Board 2021/2022

We begin recruiting for the 2021/2022 PTA by advertising our open board positions.

***Our open PTA board positions include** VP of Communications, VP of Fundraising, Secretary and President-elect. The PTA has a long tradition of supporting Longfellow teachers, staff and students with diverse programming and community outreach.*

Please contact Karen Leiser at president.ptalms@gmail.com to discuss any of the above openings.

Not interested in the board? Be on the look out in March for all our open committee positions. There is a role for everyone.

[Click HERE for Longfellow PTA positions descriptions.](#)

Dranesville District - FCPS School Board Member February Newsletter

School Board Member Elaine Tholen Newsletter

Here is a [link](#) to the latest email newsletter. It included return to school update and McLean High School boundary adjustment.



The Fairfax County Council PTA & NOVA District PTA Invite Parents to Participate

**What to Expect When You're Returning to School:
How to Support Your Students**



Webinar

Monday, February 22nd, 7:30pm - 9:00pm

Whether your child is returning to on site learning or remaining virtual, big changes are scheduled in the upcoming months. Learn how we can prepare as families and provide help to students, using the latest brain science on resiliency.

Presented by Jenna White, FCCPTA Representative to the Fairfax County Trauma Informed Community Network.

If interested in participating in this event, you can register [HERE](#).

Join - Virtual Parent Education Series on Substance Abuse Prevention

Part 1 - Teenage Brain: Building Connections

February 25, 2021 at noon and 7pm

Kelly Rankin, LCSW, CSAC

Substance Abuse Prevention Specialist

Langley and McLean Pyramid

Krankin@fcps.edu



McLean High School PTSA is offering a three-part Parent Education Series on Substance Abuse Prevention in collaboration with the FCPS Substance Abuse Prevention Specialist, Kelly Rankin. The three-part series will provide 20-minute education sessions for parents to learn about the development of the teenage brain, impact of drugs on its development, and become aware of the current drug trends. These series are available to the entire McLean pyramid and their communities.

Our main goal is to build awareness and arm parents with the knowledge and tools to identify early signs of substance use disorder, how you can play an important role in prevention, and how to have a conversation with your child about addiction.

Part 1 - Teenage Brain: Building Connections on February 25, 2021 at noon and 7pm

Part 2 - Drugs and the Teenage Brain on **March 25, 2021** at noon and 7pm

Part 3 - Drug Trends: Identifying Common Household Items and Drug Culture on **April 22, 2021** at noon and 7pm

A Blackboard Collaborate meeting link will be sent in a reminder email on the day of the session. Use this link to join the session. No registration necessary. These live sessions allow parents to ask questions and accommodate up to 250 participants. Recorded sessions will be available the day after the live sessions on our website www.mcleanptsa.org

Kelly Rankin holds a Masters in Social Work from George Mason University and is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. She is a Certified Substance Abuse Counselor (CSAC) in the Commonwealth of Virginia. She has been working in the field of substance abuse and mental health with both adults and adolescents since 2007. Kelly worked at Phoenix House as a Program Director of the women's residential facility from 2011-2017, then moved to treating adults in an outpatient setting from 2017-2018. After witnessing the opioid epidemic destroy families, and patients overdosing, she made the decision to work with Fairfax County Public Schools as a Substance Abuse Prevention Specialist. For more information, [see the flyer](#).

Help us give back!



Donate today and watch your contribution go directly back to students and teachers at Longfellow through educational initiatives and technology improvements.

All donations are 100% tax deductible. We have raised \$22,000 (52% of our goal).

Donate today.

Need school supplies? Shop Amazon to support LMS PTA!

Use this link - to set up your AmazonSmile account to shop and donate to Longfellow Middle School.



A New Way to Raise Money for US!



We've joined CauseNetwork and want to invite you to join too!

CauseNetwork is a new kind of marketplace where **up to 10%** of every purchase supports the LMS community. There are over 1,000 participating stores, including many of the brand names you know and love. You can shop to support in 2 ways:

1. Click the SHOP buttons on our new website: <http://longfellowpta.causenetwork.com>
2. Use our new Mobile App: <http://longfellowpta.causenetwork.com/mobile>

Learn more about CauseNetwork and join the movement by visiting <http://longfellowpta.causenetwork.com>!

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