

Windom PTO News



November 2021

Dear Parents and Students:

As the year marches forward we are looking ahead to progress reports and parent-teacher conferences! Conferences this year are scheduled for Friday, December 3rd and Monday, December 6th.

- Both days are 11:30am early dismissal for students with conferences in the afternoon.
- **Progress reports will be available via the Parent Portal on Friday, December 10th.**
 - No hard copy of progress reports will be sent home this year.
 - If you need help accessing the Parent Portal click the "PS HELP" link on the Parent Portal login page.
- Conferences are available in-person or virtual. Contact your child's teacher for more information.

Below you'll find some tips for families to help make the most of your 10-15 minutes during parent-teacher conferences:

- Talk with your child – ask them how things are going, review their agenda/take home folders nightly, ask them what they are doing in class, etc.
- Be on time to your conference! The schedules are kept tight as staff have to meet with every family. If you forget when your time is, send in a note or email your teacher.
- Follow the advice of the Boy Scouts: Be Prepared! Write down any questions or concerns you have ahead of time to help guide conversations at the conference.
- Ask how you can help out at home.

Our goal is to have 100% attendance at conferences – every child has a family member with a teacher. We are partners in your child's education and together, WE make a difference.

Happy November and please do not hesitate to call me: 209-6279

Thank you for your continued support,

Phil Johnson
Principal

Friday, December 3rd
Monday, December 6th

EARLY RELEASE

**Buses leave Windom at 11:30am
Parent pick-up will begin at 11:10am**

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Brain Cancer Warrior

P.U.N.T. Pediatric Cancer Collaborative

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All Day



Windom Elementary School will become difference makers for local kids and families facing pediatric cancer, through supporting the "Home for the Holidays" Fund. This fund provides rent and mortgage assistance for those most in need of this critical support.

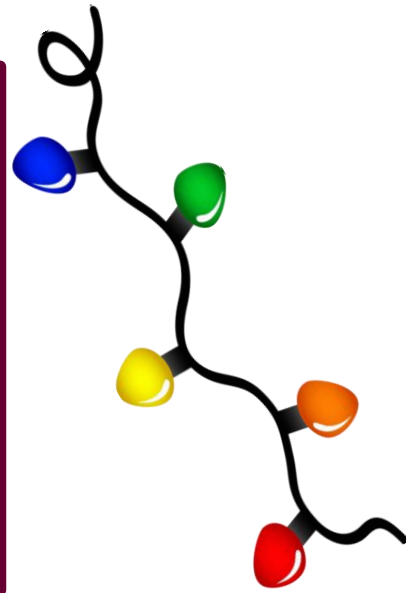
Please scan the QR code or [click here](#) to make a donation, share with friends and family, and wear pajamas on 12/10! Let's have Team Windom give parents bearing incomprehensible trials the gift of a financial burden lifted this holiday season!



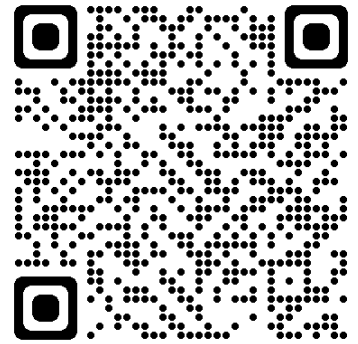
P.U.N.T. Pediatric Cancer
Collaborative
505 Ellicott St, Suite A12
Buffalo, NY 14203 US
Donor Support
madison@puntepediatriccancer.org

Windom Calendar of Upcoming Events:

12/3/2021 – Early Dismissal
12/6/2021 – Early Dismissal
12/24/2021 – Winter Recess Begins
1/3/2021 – School Resumes
1/6/2022 – Virtual PTO Meeting at 7 pm
1/14/2021 – Early Dismissal
1/14/2022 – Winter Family Skate Night *(tentative)*
1/17/2022 – No School



If you would like to volunteer at Windom for your child's class, as part of the PTO, or for both, please complete the district required volunteer training found at:
<https://www.opschools.org/Page/201>
or using this QR code.



Please have for the January
Windom Newsletters to
lindsayj_wright@hotmail.com
by the January 7th.
Word or jpeg format is
preferred.
Thank you!

PTO Meetings:

9/16/2021
10/7/2021
11/4/2021
1/6/2022
2/3/2022
3/3/2022
4/7/2022
5/5/2022
6/2/2022

JOIN the
WE PTO

Welcome Windom Families!

Our PTO subscribes to **Membership Toolkit** for our family and faculty directories, online store, volunteer signups and email communications. It's secure, easy to use, and free to families. (All Orchard Park schools participate in this service.)

Visit windompto.membershiptoolkit.com and click the **Register/Login** button in the center of the page. As a New User, click the "Create Account" button and follow the instructions. You will be asked to verify your email – *please do so in a timely manner as the link expires after 2 hours*. Follow the prompts to setup your account.

Questions? Please contact Jen Spoto at spotoje@gmail.com.

Membership form
on the next page!

Install the Free app!

After you get your login information, download the app by searching for **Membership Toolkit** in the iTunes App Store or Google Play.



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Windom Elementary PTO Membership Form 2021-2022



PLEASE SHARE OUR COMMITMENT TO WINDOM STUDENTS!

YOUR MEMBERSHIP HELPS FINANCE PTO EVENTS AND MATERIALS FOR YOUR CHILDREN.

The PTO facilitates and coordinates financial support for student activities, academic programs, and resources. This school year our Windom community is facing many changes and challenges and we continue to support our teachers and students in a variety of ways, e.g. emergency bags, educational equipment, and support outdoor learning spaces such as tents for shade.

REGISTER TODAY FOR THE MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT ONLINE DIRECTORY!

Visit windompto.membershiptoolkit.com and click the **Register/Login** button in the center of the page. Follow the prompts to create your account and add/edit your profile. You can choose what is viewable to other PTO members. For more info, please see the Membership Toolkit document included in the 2020-21 Welcome Back Packet.

Parent/Guardian Name(s)	
Family new to Windom? (circle one)	YES NO
Primary Contact Phone	
Primary Email Address (please print)	
Name of Youngest Child at Windom	

☐ **Yes, I want to receive e-mail blasts from Windom PTO**

We encourage you to check yes to this box, so you receive reminders about school events and activities.

☐ No thank you, I do not want any emails.

Parent Signature

By signing, I understand that it is my responsibility to add/update my information and permissions in the online directory. I understand that if I was in the directory last year my information and permissions will remain the same until I change them. I understand that my signature authorizes the PTO to send email updates if I checked yes to the box on this form.

Please return this completed form to school with your family membership donation, in an envelope marked "Windom PTO Membership."

- Contributions over \$5.00 gratefully accepted!
- Acceptable forms of payment are cash or check.
- Checks made payable to Windom Elementary PTO.

☐ \$5.00 ☐ Other \$ _____

Membership Drive Ends 9/30/2021

For PTO Use Only:

Processed By: _____ Date: _____ Check No.: _____



MEMBERSHIP FORM

The Orchard Park Visual Arts Boosters is a non-profit organization of dedicated parents, teachers and community members who value and support visual art opportunities for the youth of our community.

The goal and objectives for the boosters are:

- Provide additional learning opportunities for students.
- Fund events and field trips that expose our youth to art and artists.
- Support the efforts of our students through art displays and exhibitions.

Please help support the visual arts boosters by becoming a member. A membership covers all members of your household. Membership for the school year is \$10.00.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

PLEASE CUT HERE

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

List additional members of your household (first, last name and grade if applicable):

* Please return completed form and checks payable to:
Orchard Park Visual Arts Boosters.
Orchard Park Middle School
c/o Art Department
60 South Lincoln Ave.
Orchard Park, NY 14127



PARENTING IS HARD. EPIC CAN HELP.



PROGRAM TOPICS:

- Dealing with Disobedience
- Managing Fighting & Aggression
- Developing Good Bedtime Routines
- Hassle-Free Shopping with Children

WHEN & WHERE:

- **Mondays at 6pm:**
October 18 - November 15
- **Tuesdays at 10am:**
November 23 - December 21
- **Wednesdays at 6pm:**
January 12 - February 9, 2022
- **Saturdays at 10am:**
January 22 - February 19, 2022

All courses held on Zoom

REGISTER: 716-332-4126 or PerryR@epicforchildren.org



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WHEN & WHERE:

- **Wednesdays at 1pm:**
October 20 - November 17
- **Fridays at 10am:**
January 7 - February 4, 2022
- **Mondays at 1pm:**
March 7 - April 4, 2022

All courses held on Zoom

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EPIC – TRIPLE P PROGRAM PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION



Directions: Please complete the following information. * means required

Note: This information will be used for data collection purposes and will be kept confidential.

*Participant Name		*Phone (w/area code)	*Address (w/City)	*Zip
*How do you prefer we contact you?		Date of Birth	*Email Address	
(Email / Phone)		(mm/dd/yyyy)		
Sexual Orientation	*Gender	*Race/Ethnicity	*Highest Level of School	Currently in paid employment?
		Are you Hispanic? (Y / N)	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than high school <input type="checkbox"/> High School graduate/GED <input type="checkbox"/> Some college <input type="checkbox"/> Associate/2yr Degree <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelors/4yr Degree <input type="checkbox"/> Post-Degree graduate (Masters, PhD, Doctorate)	<input type="checkbox"/> Full-time <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time <input type="checkbox"/> No
*Relationship/Marital Status		<input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American <input type="checkbox"/> Native American/Alaska Native <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> White/Caucasian <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	*What best describes the household where the child lives?	
*Annual Household Income			<input type="checkbox"/> Biological or Adoptive Family with extended family <input type="checkbox"/> Single Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Single Parent, living with extended family <input type="checkbox"/> Step Family <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Family <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Child(ren)'s Name		*Child(ren)'s Date of Birth	*Child(ren)'s Gender	
*Relationship to Child		*How many people including the child live in the household?	Is this a blended family?	*Language most spoken at home
Does the family have a child who receives free or reduced lunch at school?			Does the family receive WIC, SNAP, or other benefits?	
*How did you learn about this workshop/training?			Why did you decide to attend this workshop/training?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Friend or family member <input type="checkbox"/> Community Paper <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper <input type="checkbox"/> EPIC Website/Online <input type="checkbox"/> Mailing <input type="checkbox"/> Flyer <input type="checkbox"/> Courts			<input type="checkbox"/> Referral <input type="checkbox"/> Brochure <input type="checkbox"/> Magazine <input type="checkbox"/> Radio Talk Show <input type="checkbox"/> Television <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe):	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Need guidance or help with a specific issue(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Need refresher on parenting skills <input type="checkbox"/> Free education <input type="checkbox"/> Interest in specific topic (list): <input type="checkbox"/> It was a requirement <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe):	

Participant Signature _____ Date _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:			
Program Name:		One Shot <input type="checkbox"/>	Series <input type="checkbox"/>
Facilitator(s) and/or Trainer(s):		# of Hours:	
Date:	Time:	Site/Address:	ZIP
Program Code:	Funding Code:	Location Code:	

Halloween Fest at Windom 2021







Bus Drivers Rock!

