



Shawnee Mission Northwest News

March 2021

www.smnwptsa.org

A SMNW PTSA Publication

SMNW Calendar

March 2021

- 3 Conferences
- 10 Site Council/PTSA Meeting 3:00 pm
- 18 Musical Opening Celebration 7:00PM
- 19 No School

April 2021

- 2 No School
- 5-9 Spring Break
- 12 Beginning of 4th Quarter
- 17 Prom
- 30 Spring Special

PTSA Update

From the PTSA President

If you haven't had a chance to join PTSA yet, you haven't missed your opportunity. Memberships for parents are \$20 each and \$15 for students and staff. [Click here to join.](#)

Questions or items you would like added to the agenda for the March meeting [can be submitted here.](#)

[Don't forget to like us on Facebook!](#)

Thanks for supporting PTSA!
[Courtney Roberts, SMNW PTSA President](#)

Remaining 2020 - 2021 PTSA Meetings:

Wednesday, March 10th, 3:00 pm
Wednesday, May 12th, 7:00 pm

Newsletter Deadlines Email submissions to smnwptsa@gmail.com by the 25th of the preceding month.

Yard Signs

Yard Sign Sales are open for spring! Order online by clicking [here](#) or using the form below. Orders are due March 25th and will be delivered in April.

Staff Appreciation

Sponsor a staff member! A \$20 donation will cover the cost of both a conference meal (Sancho's Streetside Food Truck), breakfast in April (Coffee & Cinnamon roll from Kolache Factory), and recognition during Teacher Appreciation Week for a staff member. You may donate more or less as you wish.

So far, we have raised enough to cover seven staff members, 143 more to go!

[Click here to donate.](#)

Parent-Teacher Conferences

We are excited for our Spring Conferences on March 3 from 5-8pm. We will be using Webex to collaborate with you this spring. If you haven't secured a time to meet with your student's teachers, please do so via Skyward under Family Access / Conferences. We hope you can join us!

Seniors

Remember to accept the invite to the **Graduation Senior Seminar Canvas page**. Parents can be observers on this page also! This page will be used for updates and information regarding graduation. At this time, there is not any new information about graduation.

Please pay fees by May 5th to help Senior checkout go smoothly.

SMNW- Yard Sign Order Form

Sales benefit SMNW PTSA

- Yard Sign - \$50.00 / Each

18" x 18" all weather PVC sign with steel t-bar stake

- Riders - \$10.00/ Each

3" x 18" PVC

Riders are available for any school activity & screw onto stake



Order Online: <https://smnwptsa.new.memberhub.store/store>

Circle All Riders ordering or write in another activity/club in blank space. Note only 5 riders will fit on the sign.

Band	Club 121	Forensics	Latin Club	Spanish Club	Volleyball
Baseball	Coalition	French Club	NHS	Spanish NHS	Wrestling
Basketball	Cougar Classics	German Club	Newspaper	Spirit Club	Yearbook
Bowling	Cougar Express	Golf	Orchestra	STUCO	Class of 2021
BPA	Cross Country	Gymnastics	Photojournalism	Swim & Dive	Class of 2022
CCC	Debate	Jazz Ensemble	Quill & Scroll	Tennis	Class of 2023
Cheer	DECA	Key Club	Soccer	Thespian Troupe	Class of 2024
Choir	Football	KUGR	Softball	Track & Field	

Customer's Name: _____ Student's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Make Checks payable to: SMNW PTSA

Deadline for ordering is March 25, 2020

Send order form and payment to:

SMNW Signs c/o PTSA

12701 W. 67th St.

Shawnee, KS 66216

or send to NW office w/student

questions? smnwptsa@gmail.com

ORDER INFORMATION

Signs _____ ea x \$50.00 = \$ _____

Riders _____ ea. x \$10.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Check Number _____

MUSIC TO YOUR MOUTH



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support SMNW Band Boosters. Come in to the Chipotle at **11805 Shawnee Mission Parkway** in Shawnee on **Tuesday, March 23rd** between **5:00pm** and **9:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to SMNW Band Boosters.

NEW! ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP

Use code EBD83XB before checkout in 'promo' field. Orders placed on Chipotle.com or through the Chipotle app for pickup using this unique code will be counted towards the fundraiser.



All online orders must be placed for pickup at the same time/location of the fundraiser. Delivery cannot be counted at this time. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.



Funding Request Form

Please return the completed form to the SMNW Secret Samaritan Society Liaison, Melissa Osborn, who will submit all requests to the Secret Samaritan Society. For questions or more information, please contact Melissa at melissaosborn@smsd.org. **Student Identity will be kept confidential.**

STUDENT'S NAME SHOULD ONLY BE BELOW DOTTED LINE.

Request prepared by: Student/Parent SMNW Counselor/Teacher/Administrator/Coach

SMNW Contact: _____
Name Email Address

Describe the need with some detail: _____

Date funding is needed by: _____

\$ _____ Student/family contribution (some amount expected)

\$ _____ Any additional funding (School support, Booster club, etc.)

\$ _____ Amount requested from Secret Samaritan Society

\$ _____ Total cost for item/activity

Entity requiring payment (*Pay to the order of): _____

***Funding will not be made to individuals. Must be SMNW or school related organization.**

Deliver payment to: _____
Name Email Address

FOR SMNW STAFF ONLY Date Received: _____
Comments: _____

Melissa Osborn will detach below dotted line and keep on file at SMNW.

Student: _____ Grade: _____ Date: _____

FOR SMNW STAFF ONLY
 Grant Received Amount Awarded: _____
 Grant Declined Reason: _____

SMNW Dance Team Tryouts 21-22!

TRYOUT GENERAL INFORMATION MEETING

March 1st at 7:00 PM
Meeting will be located on
Webex, RSVP to receive the
Webex link.

Coaches will go through tryout
info & answer questions!

Miss the meetings? Contact Kelsi Horner as
soon as possible and we will make it work!



TRYOUT CLINIC

Tuesday & Wednesday
March 23rd & 24th
6:15 - 7:15 AM
Auxiliary Gym of SMNW

TRYOUTS

Friday, March 26th starting at
3:45 for current high
schoolers and 4:15 PM for
current eighth graders

EMAIL COACH KELSI HORNER FOR MORE INFORMATION
([KELSIHORNER@SMSD.ORG](mailto:kelsihorner@smsd.org))

Frequently Asked Questions...

WHY SHOULD I JOIN DANCE TEAM?

- One class period dedicated to dance
- Dance with your friends
- Perform at soccer, football, and basketball games, all pep assemblies and parade
- Great way to get involved at SMNW
- Gain leadership abilities
- Opportunity for team work and community service
- Be apart of a team starting the first day of school!

IS DANCE EXPERIENCE REQUIRED?

Dance experience is not required, however it is recommended!

HOW DO I TRYOUT?

First, come to our mandatory tryout meeting. If you cannot come, just email Coach Horner. During the meeting we will go over all the details and requirements.

WHAT IS THE TRYOUT CLINIC? WHAT HAPPENS AT TRYOUTS?

- The tryout clinic is where you will learn all the tryout material. Students are taught a short dance and will be instructed on how the technique portion of the tryout will work.
- At tryouts, you will perform in groups of two or three. You will perform the dance routine and technique in front of judges

ARE TRYOUT CLINICS REALLY THAT EARLY?

Yes, tryout clinics are early (6:15-7:15 AM). In an effort to avoid conflicts with other school activities we have our tryout clinics early in the morning. We will have a small snack for students once the clinic is over.

IS DANCE TEAM A FULL YEAR COMMITMENT?

Yes! Having dance team last a full year allows us to minimize outside of class time, allowing students to still participate in other activities (like sports or studio dance!). We take breaks throughout the year and use our time efficiently! Luckily most of our practices take place in 1st hour dance team class.

CAN I DO DANCE TEAM AND MY DANCE STUDIO AT THE SAME TIME?

YES! We understand the importance of studio dance and do our best to be flexible with those schedules. We do our best to keep practices limited to before school/during first hour. If we have after school practices, you are given advanced notice. As long as you are willing to compromise, so are we!

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Email Coach Kelsi Horner (kelsihorner@smsd.org) with any questions! You can also check out our website smnwcougars.com (under year-round, Dance Team) for more information.

EMAIL COACH KELSI HORNER FOR MORE INFORMATION
([KELSIHORNER@SMSD.ORG](mailto:kelsihorner@smsd.org))



Have you found a hidden English book under the bed or math book in the closet? If you come across any text books or novels that belong to Northwest – send them with your student or drop off at the office. Please put a note inside with a name to avoid a charge. We would appreciate it!

FOOD SERVICE....Did you know.....

Did you know that March 8-12, 2021 is National School Breakfast Week?

A breakfast program is available in the cafeteria every day. This is a great time to try School Breakfast. Let's help students to perform better every day by making sure they eat a healthy breakfast at home or at school.

Students who eat school breakfast are more likely to:

- Maintain a healthy weight
- Have better concentration and memory
- Be more alert
- Reach higher levels of achievement in reading and math, and score higher on standardized tests
- Drink more milk and eat more fruit daily

Eating school breakfast is associated with:

- Lower rates of absenteeism and tardiness
- Fewer behavioral problems
- Reduced number of nurse's office visits
- Higher grades and increased standardized tests scores
- Positive learning environments

School breakfast can also:

- Decrease the risk of food insecurity
- Improve children's overall dietary intake
- Help protect against childhood obesity
- Protect against other negative health outcomes
- Reduce students' stress and anxiety

The school breakfast menus, lunch menus, and other nutrition information are available on the district's website at

<https://www.smsd.org/about/departments/food-service>

[Teen Food & Fitness](#)

[Teen Food & Fitness \(Español\)](#)

Let's keep the students active, eating healthy and learning about nutrition in Shawnee Mission Schools!