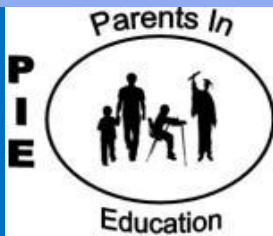


Please note: this is meant to be an electronic resource as there are a few links included.



To learn more about Pie's Mission, our Board Members, how you can be involved, and a listing of upcoming events, missed a meeting and want to view the Meeting Minutes: Visit our website at frcspie.weebly.com

PIE Board Responsibilities [here](#)
PIE Bylaws [here](#)

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The Smallest of Gestures Can Make a Very Big Difference

'Tis the season of giving, hoping for peace on earth, good will toward men. With that sentiment in mind I wanted to focus my message this month on the small gestures that can make a very big difference to those among us.

What quickly comes to mind is the kindness I see on a daily basis, whether it's first time PIE volunteers stepping up to help with our family hoedown, a fellow board member saying " hey, let me take that off your plate", our two awesome parents who volunteer their time so others can provide their children with gently used dress code clothing, parents dropping off snack donations for our hard working teachers and staff, or dropping by on a vacation day preparing for an event and organizing the PIE shed. I am also grateful for an amazing group of students who help us with childcare or photography at our events on a regular basis. On a larger scale, look what our FRCS community can achieve when the smallest of gestures lead to a highly successful event such as the TeachHaiti fundraiser.

This month PIE asks that we all work together for the benefit our college bound seniors through our Scholarship Fundraiser on Saturday, December 12th. Parents, students and staff can partner to ease the burden of the dreaded tuition bill and educate us all about the scholarship process. How do we accomplish this? Everyone can participate no matter what that small gesture looks like: a donation to a classroom raffle basket, 1-3 hours of your time on Friday night set up, Saturday during the event itself, bake a batch of brownies for our bake sale, or jump in as the cleanup crew. I know that if each of us reaches out with a gesture of kindness and generosity, the benefactors of this fundraiser will be extremely grateful. It really will make a difference!

Also on our PIE calendar is our Holiday Fair for K-4 students on December 22nd during school hours. PIE is providing our youngest with the opportunity to purchase gifts no more than a dollar to surprise family members during the holidays. Keep watch of your room parent emails for a shopping schedule and all the latest news and information for all we have planned in the months ahead.

Wishing all happy, healthy and wonderful holidays!

Kathy Montal
PIE President

Will you join us?

PIE Meeting, Thursday December 10th, 7pm in the Media Center
Come to a meeting – find out what's going on, meet other parents, and help plan or volunteer at an event.

Scholarship Fundraiser, Saturday December 12th, 9am – noon. Join us in the cafetorium for fabulous basket raffles, crafts, treats, and an all around great time!

Upcoming Events and Volunteer Opportunities



December 10th PIE Meeting 7pm in the Media Center

THURSDAY!!!

All parents and staff welcome. Meet our special guest from the administrative team and help us plan upcoming events. Agenda will be published to our weebly site prior to the meeting. Did you know we offer free childcare during the meetings? Please sign up for child care by Monday before the meeting. If you would like childcare, please sign up [here](#). (If you sign up for child care and decide you do not need it, please let us know by cancelling your sign up on line or emailing parentsineducation@yahoo.com by 4:30pm. Thank you!)



December 12th Holiday Scholarship Fundraiser, 9am-Noon

This annual event helps us raise money towards a PIE Scholarship for our graduating seniors. Family fun activities, classroom baskets, bake sale, photos with favorite characters, storytime, crafts and more. Please click [here](#) to see the flyer. Click [here](#) to sign up to volunteer or donate to the bake sale!



December 23rd - Staff Snacks - Staff Meeting After School

For this month's staff meeting, we are looking for a help and donations from families with students in Kindergarten, 3rd, 7th, or 12th grade. If you would like to donate or volunteer, please click [here](#) to view the sign-up genius details for this event! Items and pick up times are listed on the sign up genius. We appreciate your time and donations! Questions? Please email Julia Howells at juliabhowells@gmail.com.



December 22nd - Holiday Fair – K-4, Gymnasium, During School Day

Students have the opportunity to shop for holiday gifts at low cost; \$1 items. This is a much loved FRCS/PIE tradition which teachers use as a teaching moment in their math curriculum. Lots of volunteers needed. Check back for sign up. Download flyer [here](#). Download class schedule [here](#).



January 7th PIE Meeting 7pm in the Media Center (rescheduled)



January 8th - Paint Your Own Masterpiece, 6:30 - 9:00pm

Join us in the cafetorium when the folks from The Parched Painter turn everyone into an artist! Painting and sign-up details will be published via email shortly. You must PRE-REGISTER (and pre-pay) for this event. There will be an email announcing the picture and the special registration link – please do not try to register prior to the email!!



Just a Reminder! We love our volunteers! And we need volunteers to help with events to support your child's school! You **must** have a completed CORI form on file with FRCS prior to volunteering at an event. Even if you haven't volunteered to date, you may want to help out with some of the upcoming activities. Please be certain to fill out a CORI form and send it in to the school at least **two weeks** ahead of time. We wouldn't want you to miss the fun or be turned away! It's for the safety of our students! Find the CORI form [here](#).

Treasurer’s Corner – November Summary

	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenses</i>
PIE Sponsored Events/HoeDown/Fairs		1073.53
Expenses/BoxTops		20.79
Scholastic Book Fair	110.76	
Dress Code Closet	116.00	
Donations	50.00	
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	\$ 276.76	\$ 1094.32



Bake Sale Bake Sale Bake Sale Bake Sale

During the Annual Holiday Scholarship Fundraiser we will once again be including a bake sale. We are asking folks to bake/create their favorite holiday recipes to donate to the bake sale. Don't feel that you have to bake enough for an army – a single batch will be perfect! Click [here](#) for the sign-up genius and specify what delicious treat you will contribute! All items must be individually wrapped (or wrapped as intended for sale – 3 cookies, a large brownie, however you'd like them sold – just wrap them!). In addition, you must provide a list of ingredients (even if you use a boxed mix), your name and a phone number to reach you. Your secret family recipe will not be shared! The info is purely a way to help customers determine if there are any allergy concerns with a product. Questions? Please contact Linda Hernandez at hernackner3@hotmail.com 🍩🍩🍩



Dress Code Closet
will be at the Holiday Scholarship Fundraiser, 9am – 12pm



Scouting News - Keep up with Pack 314 by visiting their website [here](#)

New to FRCS – Venturing. Venturing is a **coed** program for young adults ages 13 (and have completed the 8th grade) through 20. From experiencing the thrill of zip lining and the accomplishment of summiting challenging peaks, to the heart-pounding charge of whitewater rafting and the thrill of scuba diving, in Venturing friends have the time of their lives while learning about life, together. For information or to join the FRCS Venturing Troop please email crew314FRCS@gmail.com.

Box Tops Congratulations to the Third Grade!

They were the winners of the last Box Tops Contest and won a non-dress code day! Third grade collected a whopping 1450 box tops! We earned \$825 for our October submission. Thanks to all of you who sent in box tops. For each unexpired box top, we earn ten cents. Every Box Top helps! All of that holiday shopping and holiday cooking means more box tops. Please be sure to put your child's name and teacher's name on the bag. Details for the upcoming contest will be out shortly. Everyone who sends box tops in will be entered in the upcoming contest. Box tops must have an expiration date after 3/1/16 in order for us to receive credit.

Hope you enjoyed the



**See you
 December 12th
 at the Holiday
 Scholarship
 Fundraiser!**