



PTA NEWSLETTER

“Together we CAN!”

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Together we CAN...Play Bingo!

Calendar

April 25th - 6:30-8:00 - Family Bingo Night at **Oakland Mills High School**

May 7th - 6:30-7:30 PTA Meeting in Media Center

May 17th – 11:30 – 3:00 Spring Fling

Membership Information

It's never too late to join the PTA. Membership is \$10 per person. Forms are on our website.

High Fives



Thank you to everyone who supported our annual Dinner & Auction. The night was a great success, and the proceeds will help the PTA continue to fund great events for

SFES students and their families.

Thank you to everyone who participated in International Night. We had an outstanding representation of countries and cultures from throughout the world, and the food and entertainment were excellent. We hope to make this a new SFES tradition!

Family Bingo Night

Family Bingo Night is almost here! Mark your calendar for Friday, April 25th at 6:30 p.m. Also note that to accommodate larger crowds, we will use the Oakland Mills High School cafeteria as our venue for this event.

We are also looking for volunteers to help us run the event. If you are interested, please visit the volunteer form on our website or drop us a note at sfesbobcatspta@gmail.com

Spring Fling

On Saturday, May 17 from 11:30 a.m. To 3:00 p.m., SFES will hold its first, “Spring Fling.” Plan to join us for a day of fun and games as well as educational experiences. We plan to have visits from fire trucks as well as health and wellness information, contests, and fun games for kids and grown-ups of all ages. The Spring Fling will be held outdoors at SFES.

If you are interested in volunteering, please visit the volunteer form on our website or drop us a note at sfesbobcatspta@gmail.com

Advocacy

Throughout the year, the PTA has advocated for upgrades to the roads and sidewalks serving SFES. We requested installation of a crosswalk just south of the school near where Owen Brown Road dead-ends at Stevens Forest Road. We also requested widened sidewalks near and on the school property to accommodate the larger school population. We have also advocated for other upgrades, such as standard 6 inch curbs to replace the current “roll” curbs to ensure vehicles do not leave the road where our children are walking to and from school each day.

Representatives from the school system and the Howard county traffic department attended our April 2 PTA meeting and the outcome was positive. They will follow up with us in the coming weeks to share potential solutions to address our concerns.

Box Tops

Don't forget to send in your Box Tops, Labels for Education, and Coke Rewards in your child's folder. In the Box Tops race, we have Kindergarten (5,510), First (2,172), Second (1,649), Third (1,015), Fourth (1,716), and Fifth (1,093) for a total of 13,155. We are only \$240 from our \$1,000 goal!