



PTA NEWSLETTER

“Together we CAN!”

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Together we DID... MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

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 contributed to Staff Appreciation Week. The meals, treats, and flower sale were all successful, and this was a great way to thank the staff at SFES for all they do for our children throughout the year!

Thank you to the volunteers and participants who made our first Spring Fling a success. Families had a lot of fun throughout the day, and feedback indicates this could be a new SFES tradition!

Advocacy

Sidewalk widening on the SFES property should begin at the conclusion of the school year to ensure pedestrians have 7 foot wide sidewalks at the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year. Additionally, this summer, Howard County will begin installation of a new crosswalk to serve SFES. Installation will require removal of three trees on Stevens Forest Road and lighting upgrades. Expect to see that crosswalk complete by the end of 2014, weather permitting.

Box Tops

Don't forget to send in your Box Tops, Labels for Education, and Coke Rewards in your child's folder. Also, remember to collect them over the summer for next year. Kindergarten won this year's Box Tops collection race and will receive double recess and a snow cone or ice cream party!

Elections

The PTA held elections for four positions due to term expirations and resignations. The general membership elected Meghan Skaggs to the PTA Board of Directors to serve as our Treasurer next year. Congratulations, Meghan, and thank you, Mrs. Martin, for your dedicated service as our outgoing Treasurer!

The PTA Board of Directors elected Jaci Smallwood to another term as the PTA's Hispanic Liaison and elected Tawania Williams to serve as next year's Hospitality Committee Chair. Finally, upon the resignation of Paul Nance, our current Vice President for Programs, the PTA Board of Directors elected Krista Threefoot to serve the remainder of his term through the 2014-2015 school year. Congratulations Jaci, Tawania, and Krista!

Thank You!

We would like to thank all of our members, volunteers, community supporters, and especially the families and teachers who make SFES the great school it is! Both new programs like International Night and the Spring Fling as well as old standbys like the Ice Cream Social and Family Fitness Night were successful. Every SFES student received a book through our Bucks for Books program, and the school has additional resources to help students and families in need thanks to Penny Wars. We also continued to recognize our teachers throughout the year while supporting PBIS and other school-run programs.

It was a great year, and we are looking forward to next year. Together, we DID make a difference!

While this is the last newsletter of the year, we are busy planning next year's events and programs. You can keep in touch with the PTA over the summer. Like us on Facebook at facebook.com/StevensForestPTA, visit our website at sfespta.weebly.com, or contact us any time at sfesbobcatspta@gmail.com.