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President's Pen

Welcome everyone to school year 2014-2015! We want to extend a warm welcome to our incoming pre-kindergarten and kindergarten families and to all the families at SFES. We hope you had a safe and great summer. The PTA has an exciting year full of events planned. We want to personally invite all of you to join our wonderful PTA. We are a group of parents committed to education for our children and want to make our great school even better each year.

Sincerely,
Jill Edelson, jill_pisces@yahoo.com

Membership

Membership is \$10 per person. Forms were sent home in the Friday folders and can be found on our website, sfespta.weebly.com. Membership dues go toward providing financial support to school programs, events, activities, and improvement projects that would otherwise not be funded.

Meetings

PTA meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Media Center.

School of Excellence

National PTA selected SFES and its PTA as a National School of Excellence for 2014-2016. This recognizes the outstanding family-school partnership at SFES. We are one of only 170 schools to achieve this recognition and the only school in Maryland! We will celebrate and unveil our School of Excellence banner at the Ice Cream Social on September 19.

Ice Cream Social

Our first event, Ice Cream Social, is Friday, September 19, from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Students, parents, teachers, friends, grandparents, neighbors, everyone is welcome to come eat and mingle. For a only \$1, you can get a bowl of ice cream/frozen yogurt/or snow cone with all the fixings you want. It is a great opportunity to meet your child's friends and other parents, as well as some teachers.

Wolfgang Chocolate and Gift Wrap Fundraiser

Don't forget to check out our great fall catalog fundraiser and student prize sheet. You can also check out more merchandise online. Deadline for all purchases is Sept. 28. Anyone who sells just one item will be able to come to a special Movie Night.

Artist in Residence Grant

SFES Art Teacher, Ms. Hart, and your PTA are proud to announce that the Howard County Arts Council has awarded our school with an Artist in Residence grant. As part of this exciting opportunity, a local multimedia artist will be working with Ms. Hart and our students to create a forest-themed mosaic mural in our school. The project will begin in October and we will celebrate it with a public unveiling at our first-ever Art Night Extravaganza in January. More information on how you can get involved with this unique project will be coming soon.

Box Tops (and more)

Don't forget to send in your child's Box Tops, Campbell's, Tyson's chicken package labels, and Coke Rewards in your child's folder. The grade with the most Box Tops will win a Snow Cone Party and double recess at the end of the year! Thank you to Tracy Downard for organizing the program again this year!

School Supplies for Teachers

Is your child's teacher in need of school supplies? Check out Teacher's Lists www.teacherlists.com to see if your teacher still needs supplies. You can search for SFES and look up your teacher. Teachers, please remember to upload your lists or e-mail them to the PTA!

September/October Calendar

Sept. 12 - Teacher luncheon provided by PTA – Donate at tinyurl.com/sfeslunch
Sept. 17, 7-9 pm – Board of Education Candidate Forum (The Other Barn)
Sept. 19, 6-7:30 pm- Ice Cream Social/School of Excellence Celebration – Donate at tinyurl.com/sfesics2014
Oct. 2 - Family Fitness Night