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PTA'S PURPOSE

To make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

Be a hero! Join Today!



CALLING ALL HEROES!

The PTA needs your help!

The following is a list of 2015-2016 PTA Board and Chair positions available: **Council Delegate 2, Parent Involvement/Campus & Community.**

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions or have any questions about what these positions entail, please contact **Kassandra Hart** at kassandra.hart@gmail.com

SUPER BIRTHDAYS

October 11	Linda Fagyas
October 14	Dixie Nambo
October 18	Hannah Fontaine
October 23	Lauren Osborne
October 23	Rhonda King
October 27	Vanessa Munoz
October 28	Susan Elliott

BEAVER TECH NEWS

By Jason Adams, Principal

The state fair is here, temperatures are cooling off, leaves are starting to turn, and we have begun the second six weeks of school. October is an especially busy month for us!

Our annual carnival, that is scheduled for Friday, October 23 is a very special night for our school, our families, and our community. This is a big fundraiser for our PTA and school; but more importantly, it is a chance for our kids and families to get together and have fun! Please join us and bring your friends. You won't want to miss the dunk tank, the live and silent auctions to bid on dates with staff (Mrs. Carrera and I are competing with the teachers to see who gets the most bidders!), games, bounce houses, food, and much more!

Parent-teacher conferences are right around the corner. Communication between the home and school is key to every child's success. It is our goal to meet with each and every parent. The fall parent-teacher conferences will be held in the evening of Thursday, October 8 and the morning of Friday, October 9. We will discuss academic progress and growth expectations. Please take the time to meet with teachers to discuss your child's progress. This is such an important part of helping your child know that you take learning seriously and that it is worth your time to come up to school to talk about your child's growth and needs with teachers. Teachers will be contacting you soon to set up an appointment. You can also visit grade level sites for more information on how to sign-up for a conferences.

Thank you for your continued support.



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PTA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PTA NEWS

By Cassandra Hart, PTA President

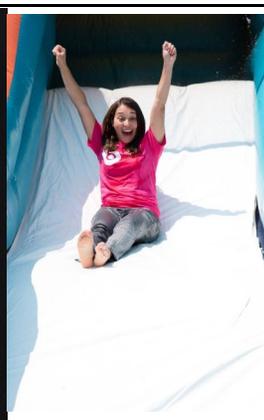
Porch Party was a huge success this year. We sold a record number of school supply packages and we got people through the line to purchase supplies in record time! We worked hard this past spring with EPI and the teachers at Beaver to reduce the prices of most of the supply packages. School supplies are not a fundraiser for the PTA, so we pass those savings directly on to you! We hope you were able to enjoy the hotdog dinner that was also provided by the PTA that night. It's good to come together before school starts, to meet your teacher, and know where you're headed the first day of school.

At the end of the first week of school, the 1st and 2nd graders that completed their reading logs got to participate in the Slide Into Reading celebration. The PTA provided a large water slide for the event and each class took a turn celebrating. It's important to keep kids reading over the summer so they don't lose progress! I'm hoping this program will expand to all grades next year. I know the water slide celebration will be a great incentive to keep our kids reading and growing all year round!

We celebrated Grandparents and Grandfriends Day at Beaver Tech on Friday, September 4th. There were approximately 200 Grandparents and Grandfriends that attended lunches that day! We took pictures of everyone and you can look for those to come home in Thursday folders soon.

Planning is in full swing for our 10th Annual Fall Carnival and Auction on Friday, October 23rd from 5-9pm! If this is your first year at Beaver, you are in for a treat - we go all out with our carnival and auction. We have bounce houses, an inflatable obstacle course, slide, midway games, Beaver Salon, photo booth, and an awesome DJ! New this year will be a Gaga Ball pit and a Game Truck! I also know that Latin Concessions this year will be the best yet. They have a huge menu planned as well as street tacos straight off the grill!

The Carnival and Auction is our largest fundraiser of the year. We put so much effort into planning this event because we want everyone to have a great time and raise money at the same time! When the Carnival and Auction are successful, that means our kids don't have to hit the pavement selling catalog products door to door for very little profit. We want to keep our fundraising efforts family oriented and family friendly. Our goal is to raise \$10,000.00 to support the PTA this year. We hope you'll join us and bring the whole family for a night of family fun, good food, and fundraising! Your support is what makes Beaver Tech such a great school!



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PTA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARTS IN EDUCATION

By Melissa Elliott

The time is getting closer and closer to show off those talents!!! The Texas PTA Reflections theme this year is "Let Your Imagination Fly." The Reflections program is an excellent way for Texas students to show off their artistic talents. Dance, painting, filmmaking and photography are just a few of the ways to express the Reflection's theme.

This year the student OR at least one person from their primary household must be a current member of our school's PTA. The deadline to join is Friday, October 16th.

Be on the lookout for more information and flyers coming home soon with pertinent deadlines and entry forms.

For More information about the Reflections program and to see past work, visit the Texas PTA website. <http://www.txpta.org/programs/reflections/>



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By Marcie Romero

Our first month of STAR Time has been busy! Students learned about different college and career options available as well as what habits to develop now to be ready for college.

Officer Reed stopped by and discussed with students how they can be good digital citizens and how to stay safe online.

We will be celebrating HERO Week (October 5-9) and learning about how we can all be heroes in our own way. Our character trait focus will be Trustworthiness. We will discuss what it means to be trustworthy and what it looks like. As parents, you can help with this by talking to your child about the importance of being honest, reliable, and loyal. Have your capes ready for HERO Week!



WATCH DOGS

By Matt Bryant

Our program is off and running for 2015-2016 school year. We have had our first three dads roaming the halls and helping in classrooms. Thanks to Mac, Randy and Kirk for kicking us off in style.

As we ramp up for a great year, please note the following updates:

1. We are working on a shared calendar for sign ups. This calendar will not only show days that are open for volunteering, but will also highlight special events (Carnival, Color Run, etc.) in which we will welcome the support of multiple Watch DOGS. Until then, please email beaverwatchdogs@gmail.com to inquire on open dates for volunteering.
2. We are also finalizing an itinerary to assist in your Watch DOGS volunteering experience. Our intent for the itinerary is two-fold: a) provide dads with a clear general idea on what to do/where to be during their time on campus. As important, though, b) keep the schedule flexible and organic so dads can enjoy time with their kids, see and be seen on campus, and chip in where needed as the day presents itself.
3. While it is not required to wear a Watch DOGS T-shirt, it is highly recommended. These T-shirts not only identify you as a volunteer and positive male role model on campus, they are also stylish and soft. You can use the below link(s) to the Watch DOGS store to shop for T-shirts and other cool items:

<http://dogstore2.fathers.com/>
<http://dogstore2.fathers.com/cotton-short-sleeve-t-shirt.html>

4. The Beaver Carnival is just five weeks away. We can use as many dads as we can round up for this awesome event. It is THE biggest annual fundraiser for our kids' school. More information to come, but please consider donating some time on October 23rd.

5. Lastly, let's brand ourselves and come up with a cool Beaver Technology Center Watch DOGS name! We are looking for a creative/original name for our own, personal Watch DOGS group. Please email any suggestions to beaverwatchdogs@gmail.com. Some moms have already offered some interesting options and I'd like to show them that we can be creative too!

Thanks for your participation; looking forward to seeing you all on campus this year.



VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

By Rebecca Thiehoff

We have put together a database using your areas of interest to find the right job for you. If you haven't filled out a Volunteer Interest Survey, there is still plenty of time to do so. The forms can be found in the hanging files outside the front office.

Many of you have volunteered so much already and we are only into our second month of school! Whether you are filling Thursday Folders, laminating, reading to kids in the library, working the Book Fair or seeking donations for the auction, you are helping our school. When you volunteer at school, your children see that you value their education and they will strive to achieve more. Our teachers love your help so much. Huge thank you to all who have volunteered so far this year!

Our 10th Annual Fall Carnival and Auction is coming on October 23rd. We have a great need for volunteers that day and evening. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact me at beaverptavolunteer@gmail.com. We will also be sending our electronic sign up forms for you to choose where and when you would like to work. Be sure to check your email and our Facebook page frequently for updates. Volunteers that work at least 2 hours will receive a meal card. Each card will be good for \$3 in regular (not latin) concessions. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year so all help is greatly appreciated.



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LIVE & SILENT AUCTION NEWS

By Chelsea Jones

*Pack your bags! Our live auction this year will include 4 tickets to Disneyland! There will be many other items that you'll want to check out, including the popular TEACHER DATES!! So be sure to stick around for the Live Auction starting at 7:30pm in the cafeteria right after Carnival on October 23.

*Our raffle this year will have many prizes, including a private tour and dinner for 4 at a Garland fire station! Tickets will be sold before and after school on Fridays in October and at the school carnival. Raffle tickets are \$1/each or 6 for \$5.

*Please contribute to your class' silent auction basket. Check your Thursday folders or ask your teacher for your class' theme.

* We are in need of large baskets or containers, if you have one at home you are willing to send with your child.

* If you work at or know of a company that would be able to donate tickets, goods or services to our auction, please contact us! Maybe you have a craft or handmade item you can contribute? Donations are tax deductible, and so much more fun than selling magazine subscriptions!

Thank you! Your auction co-chairs,
Chelsea Jones and Amy Albus
BeaverPTAauction@yahoo.com



GYM NEWS

By Valerie McElroy

Exciting things are happening in P.E. at Beaver! Grades 3-5 are learning about the impact of aerobic and anaerobic exercises on our bodies. We have utilized stations to demonstrate these two types of exercise. Our kids have enjoyed the following anaerobic activities: hula hoops, sandbells (upper body strength) curl-ups and pushups. For aerobic stations we've done stepping, jump roping, agility course and running. The climbing wall will also improve upper body strength and balance. All these activities are great for physical fitness and I am very proud of how hard Beaver students have worked to stay in motion! Additionally, we are learning volleyball skills and look forward to some fun volleyball activities and games.

Kindergarteners through 2nd grade are perfecting their locomotor and non-locomotor skills with jumping, hopping, skipping, galloping, sliding, running bending, twisting, turning and rocking! Finding their personal space and moving safely in general space is another concept we are working hard on. They have enjoyed utilizing these concepts through a variety of games as well as an obstacle course with all the cool equipment here at Beaver.

We have talked a lot about how our brains operate best if we are physically active! Kids should get 60 minutes of activity every day!

Parents, did you know that aerobic exercise just twice a week halves your risk of general dementia? It also cuts your risk of Alzheimer's by 60%. (Brain Rules by John Medina)

MUSIC NOTES

by Susan Elliott

It's almost Symphony Time. Our third and fourth grade students will see and hear the Garland Symphony Orchestra in late October. The students will go to the CCC to hear the orchestra. In addition to sharing their music, the musicians demonstrate each instrument. Students will be learning about the instruments and the orchestra over the next few weeks.

This is always a great field trip. The student cost is \$5.00, which is a bargain for hearing an orchestra. Please return your permission form and money (cash only) ASAP. Parents, if you want to attend, just send your \$5.00 in along with a note. I can reserve a seat for you, as well.



ROOM REPRESENTATIVES

By Christina Craig

Several of you have expressed interest in helping out in the classrooms. Please keep your eyes open for an email from me regarding upcoming parties for your classes. It sounds crazy, but the first holiday party is just around the corner.

I still need a parent to be the administrator for the kindergarten, 1st grade and 4th grade discussion groups on Facebook. You can email me directly if you would like to do that beaverptaroomrep@gmail.com. The FB grade level group admin will help keep the group up to date on class events like field trips, PBL presentations, teacher needs, etc. They will also help inform and remind the group of PTA events and volunteer opportunities and help answer any questions that are posted.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

By Susan Elliott

We're continuing our Box Tops for education this year. It's fall, so watch for products with Double Box Tops and Bonus Box Tops.

Last year Box Tops money allowed us to purchase enough jingle bells, triangles, and maracas for everyone in the class to play at once. We also purchased two iPad minis. This year the goal is to purchase two more iPad minis, and a class set of tambourines.

Please watch for Box Tops on the products you purchase, and save them for us.

Here's a big shout out to those who have already sent Box Tops to school. Thanks!



AWARD WINNING NEWSLETTER

We are proud to announce that we have received the Gold Award for Newsletter 2014-2015 from the Texas PTA. That makes four years in a row!

The Beaver Gazette also won the Outstanding Communications award from the Garland Council of PTAs during an award ceremony held last May.



NEWSLETTER ARTICLES -DUE DATE

Articles for the October newsletter are due **Wednesday, October 28, 2015**. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions regarding the newsletter, please contact us at beavertechpta@gmail.com.

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ANNUAL PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST

Beaver Tech's Annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest will be the week of October 26-30. More information will be sent home, but start thinking of some great ideas. Our PTA theme, "Be A Hero!" is a great place to start.

We cannot accept carved pumpkins, but feel free to use paint and glue. Get creative! Students will vote for their favorite pumpkin in several categories and the winners will receive a prize.

CAMPUS & COMMUNITY

This position is currently available for a super hero volunteer to take on.

Our Parent Involvement/Campus and Community Chairperson plans service projects, activities, or programs that promote citizenship and character among students and encourages community involvement. They coordinate with the school to plan two events during the school year that encourage parent, student, and community involvement such as Multi-Cultural Night and Campus Clean-Up. If you are interested in this position, please contact Kassandra.hart@gmail.com

Multi-Cultural Dinner is Tuesday, November 17th 6-8pm. Mark your calendar for our Annual Multi-Cultural Dinner! Each grade level will perform and there will be food from the many cultures represented at Beaver Tech. Start thinking about what dish you would like to share!

More information will come home in your child's Thursday folder.

BE YOUR KID'S SUPERHERO! JOIN PTA!

By Chris Turner

Thank you to everyone who has joined the PTA!

By joining PTA with your \$8.00 membership fee, you can have a positive influence on your children's education here at Beaver. You become part of a network that supports the parents, students, teachers and staff of our school community.

We will be having a membership party at Westlake Skate this year. The class in each grade level with the highest membership totals will receive free entrance that night. By joining now, you can help your child's class get a head start on the contest. More information will follow soon.

Anyone and everyone can join, so sign up today! Fill out and return the PTA form, along with \$8.00 per joining member, to the front office.



TREASURER REPORT

By Cash Craig

Hello Beaver Parents, my name is Cash Craig and I am your PTA Treasurer. My daughter Caitlyn is in 2nd grade at Beaver. We are once again accepting credit cards at our events this year. We accept MC, Visa and Discover. Cash and checks, as always, are welcomed as well. Please remember that when writing checks, they must be pre-printed and include your name, address and phone number.

We adopted our annual budget at our September 22nd PTA Meeting. If you were not able to attend the meeting and would like a copy of the budget, please feel to contact me. As always, if you ever have any questions on the PTA's expenditures, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Last year we switched the bank that the PTA uses for our account. We use BBVA Compass and there are advantages given to Beaver if you open a new account or credit card with them.

Here are the details:

1. Apply for a new qualifying BBVA Compass consumer checking account and ask your banker to apply your organization's code to the account. Complete five qualifying transactions within sixty days and BBVA Compass will deposit a \$50 royalty payment into the PTA account.
2. Apply for a BBVA Compass Check Card. BBVA Compass will deposit royalty payments equal to .25% of the amount of every signature-based qualifying purchase you make with your card into the PTA account.

If you already bank with BBVA Compass, simply tell your banker to update your account to include your organization's code. You can also do this by calling 1-800-COMPASS.

Organization Name: Beaver Technology Center PTA
Organization Code: 109846



BE A HERO! JOIN THE PTA! MEMBERSHIPS \$8

1ST MEMBERSHIP NAME: _____ DATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ MOBILE PHONE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

STUDENT NAME: _____ GRADE: _____ TEACHER: _____

2ND MEMBERSHIP NAME: _____ DATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ MOBILE PHONE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

STUDENT NAME: _____ GRADE: _____ TEACHER: _____

Please return this form to school in a sealed envelope with payment of \$8.00 per membership. Please make checks payable to Beaver PTA.

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HOSPITALITY

By Vicki Casco

It is hard to believe that Fall is upon us. Time flies when you're having fun! To celebrate the end of the first week of school, the staff was visited by the Treat Trolley, delivering homemade cookies, Chex Mix, and M&M's. In September, staff members were treated to Sonic Happy Hour during their after school staff meeting.

These monthly snack days are a simple way to show the Beaver staff how much we appreciate everything they do for our children...and they love it! This month, we will begin asking different grade levels to help with the monthly snack. If you have a child in Fifth Grade, please be on the lookout for information about how you can contribute this month. Flyers will be going home in Thursday folders. Thank you for helping to support the staff at Beaver. Happy teachers make happy students!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at beaverptahospitality@gmail.com.



CASH FOR CLOTHES

By Heidi Judy

Beaver Tech PTA is partnering with **Schoola** to raise funds for our school. **Schoola** collects pre-loved women's and children's clothes, preps and sells them online, and gives 40% of the proceeds back to Beaver Technology Center!

Beginning in October, you can bring bags of clothing and place them in a **Schoola** bin located inside the school.

Scan the QR code below to view our school's tracking page where you can: view our fundraising progress, shop for quality pre-loved clothing from top brands, or request a postage-paid donation bag (not necessary if you are dropping your bag in the bin). More information will be coming in Thursday folders, but there is no need to wait--start cleaning out now!



TIPS TO REDUCE YOUR ENERGY CONSUMPTION

By Yadi Gonzalez

As parents, we are always looking for ways to save. Often, we neglect looking at our own home. Every small change we do at home can save us money every month and it starts with our energy consumption. If we can start implementing these new changes, it will help our children to be more responsible and help us save money. Here are some great ideas:

- 1. Turn off all of the lights in the rooms or lamps that are not being used.** Teach kids if they are done playing in their rooms, to turn off the lights. Don't forget the bathroom. Another room that kids tend to leave the lights on is the kitchen and pantries.
- 2. Unplug any phone charges, tablet chargers, or any electronics chargers.** This includes your computers and laptops. If you have to leave them on put them on "sleep mode".
- 3. Thermostat:** families don't realize how much their thermostat is used and it can consume a lot of energy, but the rule of thumb is:

IN WINTER: During the daytime – set it at 68 degrees and 55 degrees before going to sleep

IN SUMMER: keep at 78 degrees or more.

Here is a great website that you can get more tips in how to reduce your energy consumption. WWW.NRDC.ORG/AIR/ENERGY/GENERGY.ASP

Information for this article from: <http://www.nrdc.org/air/energy/genergy.asp>



YEARBOOK

by VirLinda Stanton

Hello Beaver Star Students, Teachers, Staff and Parents! I am so excited to say that we have secured a company for our Yearbooks. Yay! There is a Google drive setup for teachers and staff to submit photos. I would like for you to share your memories with me. Also, photos can be sent to me via email and or by downloading on a disc and drop it off in the office attention, VirLinda Stanton – Yearbook or send to my email stantonmgt@gmail.com.

As you already know, we are getting pumped up for our upcoming Carnival; so I know that there will be lots of photos taken. Also, don't forget to share and when your classes go on field trips, please contact me in advance and maybe I can attend to get photos. I am looking forward to us putting together an amazing Yearbook this year.

Thank you and I am so proud to be part of the Beaver PTA and Yearbook.



E-WASTE PROJECT CONTINUES

By Yadi Gonzalez

Many parents are either shopping for new electronics such as cell phones, hand held devices or upgrading to the newest models, but don't know what to do with their old electronics. Parents, please save your old electronics (working or not).

We are continuing our E-Waste project program this year, starting in November. Watch for a green flyer with more information coming home soon.

Our collection company also accepts: VHS tapes and DVDs with original covers, printer cartridges, batteries, books, sporting equipment, used shoes and clothing.



SPIRIT NIGHT

By Heather Bryant

Thank you to everyone that joined us at Spring Creek Barbeque on Wednesday, September 30. Our Spirit Night fundraiser is always very successful and lots of fun. We will have an update next month with how much we raised.

Thank you Spring Creek for supporting our schools!

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LIBRARY NEWS

By Cheryl Brooks

The fall book fair was another huge success. I want to thank all of the volunteers that helped make it a success. We do not have the final totals yet, but should have made around \$1500. The proceeds will be used to buy new books and materials for the library.

Please remember we are collecting books for the district's initiative "Reading with Rodney." If you want to check out Rodney's story, here is the link. <https://goo.gl/SW9Tzl>

DONATE A NEW OR GENTLY USED BOOK!!

AN EXTRA MILE MAKES A DIFFERENCE

By Ethan Pinzon

In February, Salomon Halaby (currently in the 4th grade), presented a portrait of Jerry Jones that he created in Ms. Nambo's art class to Mrs. Gene Jones (Jerry's wife) during an exhibit at the Dallas Museum of Art. Two weeks later Salomon received a package including Dallas Cowboys items and an invitation for a personal tour of Cowboys Stadium. He had the opportunity to meet Mr. Jerry Jones and other interesting people during the tour. Mr. Jones told him he was very proud of his work and glad to have Salomon at the stadium!



Top Ten Skills Children Learn from the Arts!!!

- Creativity
- Confidence
- Problem-Solving
- Perseverance
- Focus
- Nonverbal Communication
- Receiving Constructive Feedback
- Collaboration
- Dedication
- Accountability

ART ROOM HAPPENINGS

By Dixie Nambo

African masks and Indian elephants are just some of the great projects that are being made in the Art room right now! We started the year off with lines, shapes and patterns and have started using these elements to make colorful and beautiful pieces of art.

Kinder and 1st grade are busy with crayon- resist as they explore use of oil pastel and watercolor.

2nd grade has been creating African vases using the scratch art method. They even made their own scratch board!

3rd grade has been working with very detailed lines and patterns as they create a beautiful tree using oil pastel.

4th grade is learning symmetry as they create African masks made with a blast of color and pattern.

5th grade is busy with printmaking as they print African Adinkra symbols from their hand made printing plates.

So many beautiful projects that are under way here at Beaver and will soon be displayed in the hallways for all to see.

See Beaver Artwork at: **International Fine Arts Celebration**
Curtis Culwell Center Saturday, October 3 at 5:00 pm

Beaver Auction:

Win a painting party with Ms. Nambo!

3 Beaver Stars and a friend will party down with paint and snacks as they create a cool painting in the Art Room!!



SPIRIT STORE

By Heather Bryant

OPEN EVERY THURSDAY 7:30-8am

Our new spirit shirt will be available for purchase on 10/1/15!!! Make sure you check out all of the other fun items we have on sale such as spirit sticks, tattoos, Smencils, car decals, and spirit sleeves.

Halloween Spirit Items

Boo!!! Halloween is making its way into the Beaver Tech Spirit Store. Make sure your little goblins stop by the spirit store on Thursday mornings in October from 7:30-8:00 am. We will be offering some fun Halloween items in addition to our regular items. Boo spirit sticks and haunted Smencils will be available each week until supplies run out. Only \$1 each.



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

VOLUNTEER

SPONSOR

CARNIVAL 5-7:30PM

SILENT AUCTION 5-7:15PM

LIVE AUCTION 7:30-9PM

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10TH ANNUAL
BEAVER PTA
FALL CARNIVAL

10th ANNUAL FALL CARNIVAL

By Cassandra Hart

Friday, October 23, 2015

Carnival Games & Concessions 5-7:30 p.m.

Silent Auction 5- 7:15 p.m.

Live Auction 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Bring the whole family to the 10th Annual Fall Carnival at Beaver Tech on Friday, October 23, 2015 from 5:00 p.m. – 9 p.m. Play lots of old school midway games. Our Dunk Tank features a full schedule of Beaver Tech teachers and staff for you to drench. Lots of inflatable fun on bounce houses, an obstacle course and slide. Go on a train ride. Our Beaver Salon will feature hair color, feather hair extensions, and nail art. Get your game on in Gaga Ball Pit or the Video Game Truck. Feeling crafty? Home Depot will bring a wood craft or you can decorate your own superhero mask. Dance to your favorite tunes with our DJ. Feast on regular and Latin concessions, Kona Ice, Dippin' Dots and more!

CARNIVAL GOAL

The fall carnival is the largest fundraiser of the year. Our goal is to raise \$10,000.00 to support our goals this year. Please plan to join us for a night of family fun, good food, and fundraising! Your support is what makes Beaver Tech such a great school!

CARNIVAL THEME

This year's carnival theme is, "Be a Superhero!" Everyone is invited to wear his or her favorite superhero costume to carnival.

VOLUNTEER

We pair up with High School National Honors Society students and Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA) to help out at our carnival, but we also need adults as well. If you can help out with set-up, manning areas around carnival, concessions, auction, or clean-up please contact our volunteer coordinator, Rebecca Thiehoff at beaverptavolunteer@gmail.com, to sign-up!

CARNIVAL WRISTBANDS AND STAR CARDS

This year we are selling wristbands for \$20 each for children 4 and older and \$10 each for children 3 and younger. Wristbands allow for 2.5 hours of unlimited playtime at the carnival on the inflatables, midway games, dunk tank, train rides, photo booth, Beaver Salon, Game Truck, Gaga Ball and crafts.

Star Cards can be purchased for \$0.50/each as a "pay as you play" option. Games and attractions will be individually priced for those using Star Cards. Star Cards will also be used for concession and Dippin' Dots purchases. Kona Ice will only accept cash or credit cards. A full Star Card is 40 punches for \$20.

Presales of wristbands, Star Cards and raffle tickets will be going on until Thursday, October 22nd. The first 200 wristbands or full Star Cards (40 punches) sold will receive a free carnival spirit stick! **A presale form is included on page 9.** Fill it out and return it along with your payment in a sealed envelope marked, "Carnival Presale Form." If you'd rather pay by credit card, we will be available before and after school on the "front porch" of Beaver Tech on Fridays leading up to Carnival: 10/2, 10/9, 10/16. We accept cash, check, Visa, Mastercard, and Discover. Avoid the long lines at carnival and pre-purchase what you'll need to start playing right away!

DONATE

Each classroom has been assigned a theme for a silent auction basket. This is the only donation we are requesting from families for this year's Carnival! Please donate something to your child's classroom basket to make this the best silent auction we've ever had! If you have any questions about your class theme or what items are still needed, please contact Chelsea Jones at beaverptauction@yahoo.com. Your help is greatly appreciated!

CARNIVAL SCHEDULE

5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. The carnival and concessions will be open! If you pre-purchased wristbands or Star Cards, you will be able to pick up your packet at the Will Call table out in front of the school. Please be sure to bring an I.D. for packet pickup. Packets will include: wristbands, Star Cards, auction BID number, carnival program, and possibly a carnival spirit stick if your wristband or full Star Card was one of the first 200 sold! A payment table will be set up inside to take credit cards, cash or check for wristband and Star Card purchases on the day of the Carnival. You will receive your auction BID number at that time.

Regular and homemade Latin concessions and Dippin' Dots will be available in the cafeteria. Kona Ice and Street Tacos will be available outside in front of the school.

5:00 p.m.-7:15 p.m. The Silent Auction starts at 5:00 p.m. and ends at 7:15 p.m. The Silent Auction will be located in the grassy area to the right of the entrance to the school. Stop by often to check your bids on items such as themed class baskets, gift certificates, and handmade crafts. Only adults will be allowed to bid. More details on the specific Silent Auction items will be coming soon!

7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. The Live Auction starts at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria and you won't want to miss it! We have a lot of fantastic items to bid on, so remember to hold your BID numbers high! Every year the teachers and staff at Beaver Tech plan fantastic dates for us to bid on. Be on the lookout for teacher date posters around the school to plan which ones you want to win. There will also be other goodies auctioned off. Look for more details to come home soon!

BOOM!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23



CARNIVAL WRISTBAND PRESALES

Our 10th Annual Beaver PTA Fall Carnival is October 23, 2015. This year, we are selling all access wristbands for 2 1/2 hours of Carnival play time. Each \$20 wristband gives students **UNLIMITED** access to **The Beaver Salon, Video Game Truck, Gaga Ball pit, Dunk Tank, Photo Booth, Inflatables, Home Depot wood craft, superhero mask craft, train rides and all mid-way games!!!**

Wristbands do not include food concessions.



First 200 to purchase a Wristband or full Star Card will receive a limited edition Carnival Spirit Stick!

PRE-SALE PACKAGES WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE WILL CALL TABLE ON OCTOBER 23RD DURING CARNIVAL.

Student Name _____

Teacher _____

Parent Name _____

ITEM	PRICE	QUANTITY	SUBTOTAL
Wristband (child)	\$20		
Wristband (toddler 3 and under)	\$10		
Star Card Punches	\$0.50		
Raffle Tickets (single)	\$1		
Raffle Tickets (6 tickets for \$5)	\$5		
Sponsor A Student (donation)			
TOTAL			
Number of Spirit Sticks (1 per each wristband or full Star Card purchase)			

STAR CARD PRESALES

Star Card punches can be purchased for 50¢/each as a “Pay As You Play” option. Star Cards will also be used for food and drink purchases. A full Star Card is 40 punches for \$20.

RAFFLE TICKETS

We will be raffling off great prizes such as gift cards to popular restaurants, theater tickets and private tour and dinner for four at a Garland Fire Station including a ride on the fire truck! Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

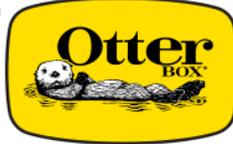
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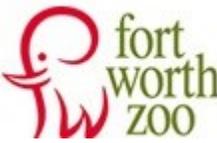
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2015-2016 BEAVER STAR CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

October 2015

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	Fri	Sa
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November 2015

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December 2015

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January 2016

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October

- 1 October Issue Beaver Star Gazette Distributed Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 8 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 9 Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - 12 Fair Day - No School
 - 15 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 22 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 23 10th Annual Fall Carnival
 - 26-29 Pumpkin Decorating Contest
 - 28 Beaver Star Gazette Articles Due for November issue
 - 29 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
- #### November
- 2-20 Membership Drive Event
 - 5 November Issue Beaver Star Gazette Distributed & Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 12 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 17 Multi-Cultural Night 6-8pm
 - 18 Beaver Star Gazette Articles Due for Dec/Jan Issue
 - 23-27 Thanksgiving Break
 - 30 PTA Membership Drive Winners Announced

December

- 3 Spirit Store 7:30-8am & December Issue of Beaver Star Gazette Distributed
 - 8 Westlake Skate Night 6-8pm
 - 10 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 15 PTA Teacher Luncheon & Gift Wrapping
 - 17 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 18 Winter Parties & Early Dismissal
 - 21-31 Winter Break
- #### January
- 1-4 Winter Break
 - 7 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 14 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School
 - 21 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 27 Beaver Star Gazette Articles Due for February Issue
 - 28 Spirit Store 7:30-8am

February

- 4 February Issue of Beaver Star Gazette Distributed & Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 8-12 Val-o-grams
 - 11 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 12 Valentine's Day Parties
 - 15-19 5th Grade Camp
 - 18 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 24 Beaver Star Gazette Articles Due for March Issue
 - 25 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
- #### March
- 3 March Issue of Beaver Star Gazette Distributed Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 7-11 Spring Break
 - 15 General PTA Meeting and Art Showcase 6-8p
 - 17 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 23 Articles for April Issue of Beaver Gazette Due
 - 24 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
 - 25 Student/Staff Holiday
 - 31 April Issue of Beaver Star Gazette Distributed Spirit Store 7:30-8am

April

- 7 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
- 12 Health Fair/ Jam the Gym
- 14 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
- 15 PTA Spring Fundraiser - Color Run 1-2:30pm
- 18 Student and Staff Holiday
- 20 Beaver Star Gazette Articles Due for May Issue
- 21 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
- 28 May Issue of Beaver Star Gazette Distributed Spirit Store 7:30-8am

May

- 2-6 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 5 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
- 12 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
- 17 General PTA Meeting and Choir Performance
- 19 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
- 26 Spirit Store 7:30-8am
- 30 Memorial Day-No School

June

- 3 Last Day of School/Early Dismissal

February 2016

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April 2016

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*All listings on this calendar are subject to change. Please check your child's Thursday Folder for up to date information regarding school events and activi-

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