

# Royal Oaks PTA Newsletter

This year is sure flying by! Thank you to everyone who has paid their pledge. We are still have a ways to go to reach our goal of \$10,000 – just over \$3,000 left but we can do it! If you haven't paid your pledge yet you can do so online at [royaloakspta.org/shop](http://royaloakspta.org/shop).

We are happy to bring this monthly newsletter to our families and staff of Royal Oaks and we hope you are enjoying them and find the information useful and interesting. We would love to hear if anyone has any requests on what should be included. Are you interested in a certain area? Let us know [royaloakspta1@gmail.com](mailto:royaloakspta1@gmail.com)

February 2020



## Upcoming Events

Tue. February 4  
Culver's Night 5pm-7pm

Tue. February 11  
PTA Meeting 6pm  
In the Media Center

Fri. February 14  
No School –  
Staff Workshops

Mon. February 17  
No School –  
Presidents' Day

Tue. February 18  
No School  
Prep Day

Fri. February 21  
I Love Royal Oaks Day!  
Spirit Wear Day

Mon. February 24  
Wendy's Night 5pm-7pm

Fri. February 28  
Read and Feed  
During Recess/Lunch

## WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM? Part II

### Box Tops –

Box Tops has been Transitioning their Program from clipping to a mobile app where you scan your receipts. Download the app & scan your receipts within 14 days of purchase. If you see the clip it box tops you can still clip those and send them in plus scan your receipt for double credit!



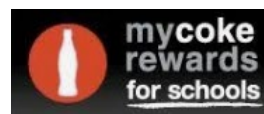
### AmazonSmile –

If you are an Amazon shopper, you can link your Amazon account to the Royal Oaks PTA and Amazon will donate 0.5% to the PTA. It's a simple one-time set up and then all future purchases will support our PTA. You can link your Amazon account to AmazonSmile through - [smile.amazon.com/ch/41-1495472](http://smile.amazon.com/ch/41-1495472)



### Coke Rewards –

Coke rewards (bottle caps or codes from inside 12/24 packs) can also be dropped off in the blue collection box by the school office or you can enter them online at <https://us.coca-cola.com/give/schools/> Be sure to select Royal Oaks Elementary in Woodbury, MN – as there are several listed!



### Employee Contributions & Matching–

Royal Oaks PTA is a 501(c)(3) org so all donations & pledge pleas are 100% tax deductible. Tax ID: 41-1495472 Some employers match employee donations to non-profit organizations. Look for us under **United Way**: select **PTA MN Congress** located at 7335 Steepleview Road, Woodbury.



## Spotlight



## Bal-A-Vis-X Balls

This year, through the staff request process, the PTA was able to fund Bal-A-Vis-X balls for the entire school.

Bal-A-Vis-X is a series of **Balance/Auditory/Vision eXercises**, of varied complexity, all of which are deeply rooted in rhythm. In school settings the program demands cooperation, promotes self-challenge and fosters peer teaching.

View the complete  
calendar at  
[Royaloakspta.org](http://Royaloakspta.org)

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## • Book Fair / Read & Feed

The Royal Oaks Spring Book Fair runs Fri. Feb 28 – Thurs. March 5 during conference nights and Read & Feeds.

There will be two Read & Feeds:

Fri. Feb 28<sup>th</sup> & Wed. March 4 during your student's recess / lunch periods listed here:

Kindergarten – 10:45am-11:25am

1<sup>st</sup> Grade – 11:10am-11:50am

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – 11:55am-12:35pm

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – 11:35am-12:15pm

4<sup>th</sup> Grade – 12:35pm-1:15pm

5<sup>th</sup> Grade – 12:15pm-12:55pm



Students love the book fair and Read & Feed and in order to be able to provide these opportunities, we need volunteers to work the book fair.

Volunteers will receive a \$10 credit to the book fair for each shift worked. If you are able, please sign up for a shift at [royaloakspta.org](http://royaloakspta.org)

## • Conferences / Staff Dinners



Spring Conferences are:

Mon. March 2<sup>nd</sup> and Thurs. March 5<sup>th</sup>

The PTA provides dinners for the staff that are working during conferences.

We will be catering part of the meals and asking families to donate items as well. If you are interested in signing up to donate items, visit our website [royaloakspta.org](http://royaloakspta.org) for the sign-up link closer to conferences. If you would prefer, we also appreciate monetary donations to help pay for the catered part of the meals. You can donate through [royaloakspta.org/shop](http://royaloakspta.org/shop) under staff appreciation donations or send the donation in a sealed marked envelope with your student.

## Meet the Staff Member: Melissa Maurer – Media Clerk



This is Mrs. Maurer's fourth year at Royal Oaks as the Media Clerk. Her favorite part of being at Royal Oaks is getting to see the children grow and mature thru the years. She has been married for 25 years to her wonderful husband. She has a son in college and a daughter in her senior year of high school. A fun fact is Mrs. Lutton and Mrs. Maurer have been friends for 30 years! They were even roommates in Texas when they were teaching. Her favorite foods are Doritos and Reece's Peanut Butter Cups and she loves crafting, puzzles and traveling!

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## Topic Requests

Do you have a topic you would like to see in an upcoming newsletter?

Let us know!