



Alma Schrader PTO 2019-2020



Save the Dates:

Ice Cream Social – Thursday, September 5, 2019 6-8pm Alma Schrader Cafeteria
 PTO Meeting – Tuesday, September 10, 2019 6:30pm Alma Schrader Library
 PTO Meeting – Tuesday, November 12, 2019 6:30pm Alma Schrader Library
 Trivia Night – Friday, Nov. 15, 2019 6:30pm The Concourse
 PTO Meeting – Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6:30pm Alma Schrader Library
 Knowledge-A-Thon – Tuesday, February 27, 2020 Alma Schrader Gymnasium
 PTO Meeting – Tuesday, April 14, 2020 6:30pm Alma Schrader Library
 Play Day – Friday, May 8, 2020

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 Alma Schrader Elementary

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Ice Cream Social

This annual event will be held Thursday, September 5th. It is a great opportunity to meet other families in a relaxed environment. More information to come. Please plan to join us!

Giving Trees

Each teacher has a poster just outside their classroom door that lists items that would be useful for their classroom. At any point during the year, feel free to support the teacher by sending in a requested item.

Knowledge-a-Thon

This annual event will be held Thursday, February 27, 2020. Please mark your calendars now so that you can help us make this fundraiser a success!



Venmo

PTO accepts payment by cash, check (made out to Alma Schrader PTO) or through the Venmo app on your smartphone. Venmo is a free way to transfer funds from your account to ours (@Alma-SchraderPTO). It is our preferred way to accept funds because it is instant and eliminates the possibility of losing envelopes filled with cash or checks. When using Venmo, be sure and comment your child's name and teacher and what the funds are being sent for.

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Spirit Fridays – Each Friday, students are asked to wear spirit wear to show school spirit. This can include any black, orange or tiger shirt, or a shirt sold by PTO. Teachers count how many students are in spirit wear, and a trophy is given to the class with the highest percentage of students in spirit wear during the Good Citizen Assembly at the beginning of each month! Be sure and send your child in spirit wear each Friday!

Typically once a month on a Friday, students are invited to bring \$0.50 if they would like to purchase a bag of popcorn to enjoy during the school day. Family members volunteer to fill the popcorn bags and deliver the popcorn to each classroom. Funds collected go to benefit character initiatives and community organizations.

Often on the same day as popcorn day, a movie night is scheduled. Most families drop off their children with a sleeping bag and pillow to enjoy a show on the gym floor (many come dressed in pajamas 😊). Popcorn and juice are provided during intermission. Proceeds are given back to the teachers who supervise the movie night to supplement their classroom budgets. Signup sheets with more information are sent home by your child's teacher.

Classroom Parties – Our students have 3 classroom parties: Fall, Holiday and Valentine's Day. Parties are held in the afternoon and include games and snacks provided by PTO. Each family is asked to donate \$5 per child toward the party fund and family members are encouraged to sign up to lead a game or activity in their child's classroom. Families are welcome to attend! Be watching for sign-ups through the Sign Up Genius.

Play Day – Play Day is a BIG DEAL at Alma Schrader! Mark your calendars for a day of fun on Friday, May 8, 2020. Grade levels rotate through different activities, and the entire school comes together for races. We need all hands-on board to help provide a great day for our children.

Teacher's Appreciation – As a PTO, we provide meals for the teachers during the fall and spring parent-teacher conferences. We also celebrate them during Teacher's Appreciation Week towards the end of the school year. In addition to local businesses donating for these events, families are often asked to contribute food items, etc. We appreciate those who help in this capacity!

Fundraising – As a PTO, we have a small number of fundraisers which are imperative to our success. These include Knowledge-A-Thon (KAT), trivia night, collecting Boxtops, and a few other activities. KAT is a fundraiser specific to our school which encourages all students to learn the answers to 100 questions about our school, community, and academic topics. They are also asked to get pledges from friends and family to support their efforts. On Thursday, February 27, 2020, we will need over 100 parents, grandparents and Alma Schrader supporters to help us meet one on one to test each student. Prizes are awarded to every student and each student leaves the gym knowing that they are helping their school. Last year over \$14,000 was raised! We hope you're able to join us for this incredible morning – mark your calendar now!

Trivia Night is an adults-only evening held where tables of 8 compete in various categories of trivia questions. This year's event will take place on the evening of Friday, November 15th. More information to come!

The Box Top program is an easy way to earn money for our school. Box Tops are found on many household products and it would be helpful if you would begin clipping them now! The Box Top program will be transitioning from the clipped Box Tops to using a new Box Top mobile app. Please add the app to your smartphone and scan your receipt if you purchase a product that shows the new Box Top label. More information will be coming home regarding this program change and how to send in your traditional Box Tops as well!

Connect with Us – Please text 81010 and send the message @h62da4 to sign-up for the Remind app where you will receive PTO updates, or scan the QR code provided. If you are on social media, please like our pages to stay up to date with PTO happenings (Facebook – Alma Schrader PTO; Instagram – almaschraderelm).



PTO can only exist with your help. Thank you for sharing your time and talents!

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