

August 24, 2020

Dear Seventh Avenue Families,

On behalf of the Seventh Avenue School PTO, I would like to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year! As a reminder, all parents, including parents of 7th Avenue students learning remotely, are automatically members of the PTO and there are no membership dues.

I have been anticipating the start of the school year with a mixture of excitement and anxiety. I am looking forward to seeing my child learn and grow and getting back into a semblance of schedule and routine, but I am anxious about the changes to my child's learning spaces. I can imagine that you all share similar thoughts.

This year, because of the changes to our children's learning environments, the PTO is making some changes to the programs and events that we typically offer. At this time, we are not able to organize class parties or Fun Lunch, but we will continue to collaborate with the school faculty and staff to support classroom needs and school initiatives. We are excited to be able to offer family events that will allow us to keep in touch with one another, whether through appropriately social distanced in person events or virtual events. Additionally, we will continue with fundraising, although on a more limited basis.

One of the changes that we will be rolling out is the use of a communication platform called PTBoard.com. This platform will allow us to streamline our communication and offer a centralized location for many of our functions (communications, reminders, directory, fundraising forms, volunteer sign ups, and more). The platform is secure, as all users must be approved by the PTO Board. You can sign up by going to PTBoard.com and using the school code **FN5QA7**. For now, you will continue to see communications via PTBoard to your email as well as our E-blast emails as we transition over. We appreciate your patience through this process.

We will continue to need volunteers. Keep your eyes open for opportunities to help. We also encourage you to join us at monthly PTO Meetings. Our first meeting of this school year will be Tuesday, September 8 at 7 pm via zoom. The link will be sent out the week before.

This upcoming school year promises to be a year filled with new challenges and opportunities. Join us as we adventure through it together.

Sincerely,

Catie Sullivan
SASPTO President