

Nov. 25, 2019 Welcome to the PTA e-news blast!

Once a week on Mondays, the Edgewood PTA will provide you with the latest news on upcoming events, volunteer needs, success stories and people appreciations. We promise these e-mails will be timely, concise and keep you well-informed of Edgewood and Edgewood-related happenings! To keep up with the news, visit the PTA Website: edgewoodpta.com

Reminder about no school days

This week is a short week due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Don't forget that students have Thursday and Friday off. Have a lovely holiday! **(Elementary schools DO have school on Monday.** Middle and High Schools have a grading day on Monday).

Please check for lost items!

We are always surprised at how many lost and found items we accumulate. They are all now hanging along the fence on the breezeway for you to easily peruse and reclaim. All items left after school on Wednesday will be bagged up and donated. Please reclaim your items before 3:30 on Wednesday, November 27.

Thanksgiving Boxes

Thank you to everyone who has donated items and money toward our Thanksgiving boxes. We will be shopping for remaining items and prepping and distributing boxes to 20 families tomorrow (Tuesday). We are so appreciative of your generosity!

If you would like to still contribute towards the expenses of the Thanksgiving and Winter Break food boxes, you can do so here: <https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Edgewood-Village-Food-Pantry/Sdq4qXO>

PTA in search of a Silent Auction Team!

Our Silent Auction during Edgewood's Fun Night is one of our most popular activities and one of our biggest fundraisers! Adults love to peruse all of the great gifts and gift certificates to local businesses. We are looking for a Silent Auction Team to help coordinate this great event. We've already had two people express interest! Please let Tanya Bunson know if you want to be part of the team!

Save the Date - Dine and Donate at Mazzi's on December 9th.

Flyers will be coming home next week for our December Dine and Donate at Mazzi's on Monday, December 9th!

Let's Talk! Student Success Act: Investments for Success

New funding is coming to 4J schools. Oregon's Student Success Act is expected to provide Eugene School District 4J about \$12–13 million per year starting with the 2020–21 school year—about a 5% increase in the district's general fund budget.

The district is engaging staff, families and community members to inform the planning for how to spend these funds to best support student success. The funds must be targeted to increase academic achievement, reduce disparities among student groups, and meet students' behavioral and mental health needs. You're invited to join the conversation.

Community Conversations - One more today!

Childcare, light refreshments, and Spanish interpretation will be provided.

- Mon., Nov. 25, 5:30–6:30 p.m., South Eugene High School, 400 E. 19th Ave.

Learn more: www.4j.lane.edu/studentsuccess

Appreciations

A special thank you to **Jan Smith** for presenting information about Peace for Our Children at the PTA meeting! We are so glad to know about the Remembrance Vigil for Sandy Hook coming up on Saturday, Dec. 14, at noon. If anyone has any questions, please email Jan at janosmith1948@gmail.com.

A huge thank you to **Zoila** and all of the Harvest Lunch volunteers who made Edgewood's annual harvest celebration such a huge success! What a special time for families! And thank you to our wonderful, hardworking **kitchen staff** who make this event run smoothly each year!

Thank you to **Julia** and everyone who donated coats and washed coats so that we can share the warmth! Those coats will make a difference on these cold, wet days!

And finally, thank you to **Beth and Jeremy** who have done a phenomenal job organizing the Thanksgiving food boxes this year!

We'll see you in the breezeways,
Beth Casper, PTA co-president
Julia McMorran, PTA co-president
Shaun Haskins, PTA vice-president
Amelia Reising, PTA Secretary
Lyndee Prill - PTA Treasurer