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Linkhorn Park PTA

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Want to stay informed: TEXT LPPTA TO 77948 to receive PTA Reminders including the events listed below and more!

Volunteers needed:

Linkhorn Lions are on the run! We are looking for volunteers to help with our Linkhorn Lions Running Club. The club will be held after school on Wednesday's from October 18th- December 13th excluding November 22.

For more information or sign up to help visit:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4eaaa929a7fc1-running/4576845> or contact linkhornvolunteer@gmail.com

Ms. Mattson would like a couple of volunteers in the art room to help with our garden paver project. You would be assisting children with painting pavers and applying polyurethane to completed pieces. If this interests you please contact linkhornvolunteer@gmail.com

Our volunteers rock! Thank you for all of your time getting our year off to a great start.

If you have as little as 30 minutes or as much as a few hours a week or even once a month to volunteer for our school, please email your information to our VIE, Courtney McGowen @ linkhornvolunteer@gmail.com. Also, if you are interested in heading a committee for any event or want to learn all the ways you can help at LPES, please email either Courtney McGowen at the email above or PTA President, Heather Nixon.

Pumpkin Palooza

Thursday, October 26th 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 pm

Trunk or Treat-Participants decorate the trunks of their cars and pass out candy. (You will be provided with one large bag of candy but you must provide the rest). See the rules and registration form below.

Games-Pumpkin Inspired Themes for all ages and a spooky section with games for the older kids.

Concessions- Pizza, Popcorn, chips, and Bottled Water

Bake Sale- We will need donated treats and sweets

A POP Walk - more information on this will be sent home soon

Temporary Tattoo and Face Painting

Costume and Trunk Contests.

(Note: Face masks are NOT permitted. However, face paint and hats are acceptable)

Reflections Contest 2017

Theme: Within Reach

Due Date: Thursday, October 19th.

Contact: Devon Neff: devonneff81@gmail.com

Look for entry form and guidelines in Thursday folder. Details and official guidelines also found at www.vbpta.org.

What is the Reflections Contest: The student creates an original “work of art” reflecting this year’s theme in one of the following categories: dance, film, music composition, literature, photography, visual arts and special artist. This year as a new addition we will be introducing the new visual arts 3D expansion

This is usually done outside of school time and without help from an adult. A panel of impartial judges from the Virginia Beach community rates each entry on three criteria: interpretation of the theme, artistic merit and mastery of the medium (with interpretation being the most important factor). There are winners for each category in each age group: Pre-K thru 2nd grade (Primary) and 3rd thru 5th grade (Intermediate). **(See more info below)**

Join the PTA!

For only \$6, you can help fund and support school programs, assemblies, field trips, science and P.E. equipment, classroom supplies and much more at LPES! Support our school today and submit the form below with payment and send it in with your child. Forms are also available in the front office or on our website: www.linkhornparkpta.com.

Tax Deductible # for LPES is: 54-1036561

Box Tops

Did you know there is an App for that?! Download the Box Top app and scan your receipt and any Box Tops are automatically received. How easy?!

The first Box Top collection deadline is **October 19th**. The student with the most Box Tops submitted will win a \$25 WRV Gift Card and 2 random drawings will result in a \$10 Chick Fil A or a \$10 7-Eleven Gift Card! For every 10 Box Tops submitted your student will receive a raffle ticket for the random drawings. Please submit Box Tops in a Ziploc bag with your student’s name and homeroom teacher’s name.

Re-link your grocery card:

In order for LPES to get credit back to the school for monies spent at the grocery, you must re-link your grocery card every year.

- Please visit our local Kroger off Republic Road and link your Kroger Loyalty Card to Linkhorn Park Elementary #91100. You will still receive your gas points.
- Go to Harris Teeter online or in person to re-link your Customer Loyalty Card
- Re-link at Target
- AMAZON Prime- Search Amazon Smile and search charities- select Linkhorn Park Elem. PTA Then shop Amazon Smile so that LPES will earn .05% per each purchase you make

Spirit Cart

Every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:20-8:40 the LPES Spirit Cart will be available. Your student can purchase their favorite LPES Swag! LPES T’s, pencils, pens and more!

Sponsorship:

Want to sponsor an event or t-shirts for the Final Mile? Let our PTA president, Heather Nixon know! We will add you to our sponsorship page and add you to the event you would like to sponsor or t-shirt for printing.

Sponsorship includes:

\$100-199 is a small advertisement

\$200-299 a medium advertisement

\$300-500 is a large advertisement.

Please email a j-peg to hthurman2@cox.net.

All sponsorships are tax deductible LPES Tax ID #54-1036561

Papa John's 4.0 Program:

During the 2017-2018 school year each online order at www.papajohns.com, LPES will receive 10% of monthly sales back to our PTA. All you have to do is enter Promo Code: LPESPTA. If our school places at least 250 orders throughout the school year we will have a chance to WIN \$10,000! Think of what we could provide our teachers and students! Please save your on-line order receipts and turn them into your student's homeroom teacher with their name and their teacher's name on them. The classroom with the most turned in receipts will receive a small treat!

PTA Meetings for the 2017-2018 School Year:

October PTA Meeting

Join us for our 2nd PTA Meeting of the 2017-2018 school Year. **Monday, October 16th at 9 a.m.** in the library. Upcoming events, Principal Sessom's report and more! Kids welcome.

Additional dates:

Nov 13th,

Dec 11th,

Jan 8th,

Feb 12th,

March 12th,

April 9th,

May 14th,

June 4th

All meetings will be from 9 a.m.-10:15 in the school library. Kids are welcome, but please provide an activity for them.

If you would like to address a concern or any other matter at a meeting, kindly email Heather Nixon @ hthurman2@cox.net, at least 5 days prior to the meeting, so that you will be added to the Agenda. All concerns or matters not on the agenda, will not be addressed until the next meeting. This will allow meetings to end on-time.

Find out all you need to know about upcoming events, important dates and volunteer opportunities at: <http://www.linkhornparkpta.com/>

TEXT LPPTA TO 77948 TO RECEIVE PTA REMINDERS
CONTACT US ANYTIME AT LINKHORNPTA@GMAIL.COM

****Every entry will get 1 Bag of Candy, a LPES Tumbler & a Paw Car Magnet****

TRUNK OR TREAT WINNER'S PRIZE IS A \$50 Restaurant Gift Card

Pumpkin Palooza's Trunk or Treat October 26th

Rules and Registration

Cars must arrive by 4:15pm. This will allow enough time to get parked, decorate and be ready for trick or treaters at 5pm. Cars must be OFF and WILL NOT be allowed to be moved during the event. **Trunk or Treating will last till 6:30 pm.** Cars will be directed out at 7pm.

Trunk or Treat Contest categories are: **Best in Show (costumes must match the trunk theme), Most Creative Theme and LOL Award ("Laugh Out Loud"- the Funniest Trunk)**

Be creative with your theme and even match you and your children's costumes. We do ask to please keep it "kid friendly". No weapons, guns or knives. No open flames, fireworks or flammable materials. There will not be electricity available. No alcoholic beverages and no pets permitted.

You must provide the pre-wrapped & sealed candy or other treats like pencils, pens, erasers, glow sticks, bracelets, bookmarks, stickers, notepads, bouncy balls, and fake tattoos. Please be prepared to accommodate approximately 600 children.

Please send the bottom portion back with your child or you can drop it in the PTA box at the front office.

THE DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13th

Student's Name: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Adult Participant's Name: _____

E-mail: (we will be communicating about the event through email)

Phone Number: _____

Name and Brief Description of Your Theme:

Vehicle Make/Model: _____ License Plate # _____

Your vehicle information will be used to make sure we allow enough room for your each vehicle.



Make it a Banner Year...
Please Join the PTA!

For only \$6, you can help fund
and support many of our PTA-
sponsored programs AND
be honored on a membership
banner that will be displayed at
Linkhorn for all to see.
Forms are available in the front
office or on our website
www.linkhornparkpta.com.



Calling all parents, grandparents and caregivers!

Linkhorn Park Elementary School PTA

2017 – 2018 Membership Drive

Make a difference by joining the LPES PTA today!

What does the LPES PTA do?

- 1. We raise money.** We raise money through membership dues, donations, corporate sponsorships, spirit nights at local restaurants, fundraisers (like FitVB), the LPES Spirit Cart, Box Top collections, and retail give back programs (Kroger, Harris Teeter, and Amazon Smile).
- 2. We organize special events and donate needed items to LPES.** The PTA plans and staffs a variety of programs and events that enrich the student experience. Our activities include: **events** like assemblies, Pumpkin Palooza, Winter Wonderland, and the new Daddy/Daughter & Mother/Son dance; **student programs** like book fairs and Reflections; **teacher appreciations**; and **donations of needed school items** like science and P.E. equipment, computers, classroom supplies, and more!

How can you help?

- 1. Become a Member!** Parents, grandparents, caregivers and teachers are all invited to support the PTA! Individual memberships are \$6 / member or two for \$10.* Membership dues are collected annually for each school year.
- 2. Donate.** The LPES PTA accepts contributions from individuals and businesses. Contributions are tax deductible. New in 2017 – 2018, families who contribute \$20 through membership and / or contributions will receive a Linkhorn Park Elementary School paw print car magnet!
- 3. Volunteer.** Volunteering is NOT REQUIRED, however it is appreciated! PTA members can select their desired involvement:
 - **Contributions Only.** I want to support the PTA's work, but am not able to volunteer.
 - **Volunteer.** Add me to the email list to be contacted for specific volunteer opportunities. *These are periodically sent via a SignUp Genius email link.*
 - **Organize.** I am interested in helping to organize programs or events, but may not be able to attend the scheduled meetings. *We will reach out to you with specific opportunities.*
- 4. Link Your Rewards Programs and Clip Box Tops!** Your everyday purchases can benefit the PTA at no additional cost to you or us! Link your Harris Teeter, Kroger, and Amazon (through AmazonSmile) reward accounts to Linkhorn Park Elem PTA. We can collect thousands of dollars from these programs!

How can you follow the PTA's activities?

We meet the first Monday of each month. Everyone is welcome to attend meetings, but they are NOT REQUIRED. You can also stay up to date by reviewing the weekly PTA MANE NEWS sent via email, reading the PTA information sent home on Thursdays, visiting the PTA website: www.linkhornparkpta.com, liking LPES on Facebook: "Linkhorn Park Elementary – LPES", or texting LPPTA to 77948 to receive PTA reminders via text.

* A portion of PTA membership dues goes to the National PTA and VA PTA. Members have access to a variety of benefits, discounts & programs through these additional PTA affiliations. Check out the benefits here:

<http://www.pta.org/members/content.cfm?ItemNumber=3409&navItemNumber=3445>.

PTA MEMBERSHIP (Please print clearly)

Annual Membership Dues: \$6 / member, or \$10 / two members, and \$5 for any additional members

STUDENT(S) NAME (GRADE, TEACHER) _____

MEMBER #1 NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

DESIRED INVOLVEMENT: CONTRIBUTE ONLY VOLUNTEER ORGANIZE

MEMBER #2 NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

DESIRED INVOLVEMENT: CONTRIBUTE ONLY VOLUNTEER ORGANIZE

ADDITIONAL MEMBER(S): _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

DESIRED INVOLVEMENT: CONTRIBUTE ONLY VOLUNTEER ORGANIZE

DONATIONS

100% of your donation to LPES PTA goes directly to LPES programs. Donations are tax deductible.

\$20* \$50 \$75 Other \$ _____

**Donations of \$20 or more (including membership) will receive a LPES paw print car magnet!*

Donations may be eligible for matching donation programs available from your employer. LPES PTA is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit company. The LPES PTA EIN is Federal Tax ID # 54-1036561.

Corporate Sponsorship Opportunities are also available. Forms are available at www.linkhornparkpta.com.

Payment Options:

- 1) Make checks payable to LPES PTA
- 2) Send exact cash in a sealed envelope
- 3) Pay with credit card at <https://squareup.com/market/linkhorn-park-elementary-pta>

Questions?

Contact Rebecca Converse (lpesptamembership@gmail.com) or Heather Nixon (hthurman2@cox.net)

THANK YOU for supporting the LPES PTA!

To be completed by the PTA:

Payment: Cash _____ Check _____ Credit Card _____

Processed by: _____ Date: _____

LPES PTA REFLECTIONS ARTS CONTEST

2017-2018 THEME: "Within Reach"

AGE CATEGORIES: **Primary** K-Grade 2, **Intermediate** Grades 3-5

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>LITERATURE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Fiction or Non-Fiction ➤ Prose, Poetry, Drama, Song lyrics, & Short stories ➤ Must not exceed 2000 words ➤ Grade appropriate grammar, punctuation, and spelling ➤ No larger than 8 1/2" x 11" ➤ May be illustrated <p style="text-align: center;">Must be in a manila file folder with Student Entry Form stapled to back</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>MUSIC COMPETITION</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Original Composition ➤ With or without lyrics ➤ Less than five minutes ➤ CD plus a copy must be submitted in case/cover then placed in a 10" x 13" manila envelope with a copy of the musical score. All information must be written on CD, case, and envelope <p style="text-align: center;">Tape Student Entry Form to the back of manila envelope</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>VISUAL ARTS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Do NOT put name on front ➤ Printmaking, Drawing, Paintings, Collage, and 3-D artwork ➤ No larger than 24" x 30" including mat ➤ May not exceed 3/8" thickness ➤ No frames ➤ Mount artwork on a sturdy backing (i.e. foamcore) ➤ Please refer to www.vbpta.org for 3-D art guidelines <p style="text-align: center;">Place Student Entry Form in sheet protectors and tape to back of artwork</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PHOTOGRAPHY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Color, Black and white ➤ Single prints or collage ➤ Print, retouched collage, fotogram, montage, sandwich, or multiple exposures ➤ No larger than 11" x 14" ➤ No frames, 3-D entries, slides, or transparencies <p style="text-align: center;">Place Student Entry Form in sheet protectors and tape to back of artwork</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>DANCE/CHOREOGRAPHY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ One Choreographer, may or may not perform ➤ Up to three dancers ➤ Less than three minutes ➤ CD or DVD plus a copy- See rules page ➤ Credit background music on entry form <p style="text-align: center;">Place in a 10" x 13" manila envelope with clasp</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>FILM PRODUCTION</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Write, direct, and film ➤ Use a tripod to film ➤ No Power Point ➤ Less than five minutes ➤ Credit music if used <p style="text-align: center;">Place in a 10" x 13" manila envelope with clasp</p>

- Artist statement and teacher's name must be on entry form
- Much more information as well as additional entry forms can be found at www.vbpta.org
- All work must be done by student

DUE: October 19th 3:10pm

Devon Neff: devonneff81@gmail.com

REMINDER

**Please RELINK your Target, Farm Fresh
and Harris Teeter Customer Loyalty
Cards!!!**

**You can do this via the stores
Customer Service or Online!**

**Thank you for your SUPPORT of
Linkhorn Park Elem PTA!!!**



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NPO #91100

Registrar Online @

krogercommunityrewards.com •

- **Be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with your organization after you sign up.**
- If a member does not yet have a Kroger Plus card, please let them know that they are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger.
- Click on Sign In/Register
- Most participants are new online customers, so they must click on SIGN UP TODAY in the 'New Customer?' box.
- Sign up for a Kroger Rewards Account by entering zip code, clicking on favorite store, entering your email address and creating a password, agreeing to the terms and conditions
- You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
- Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
- Update or confirm your information.
- Enter NPO number or name of organization, select organization from list and click on confirm.
- To verify you are enrolled correctly, you will see your organization's name on the right side of your information page.
- REMEMBER, purchases will not count for your group until after your member(s) register their card(s).
- Do you use your phone number at the register? Call 800-576-4377, select option 4 to get your Kroger Plus card number.
- Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered Kroger Plus card when shopping for each purchase to count.



Linkhorn Park Elementary School
977 First Colonial Road, Virginia Beach, Va 23455
2017-2018 Sponsorship/Donation Commitment Form

Donor Information:

Donor or Company Name: _____
Contact Person: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Fax: _____
Email: _____ Website: _____

Donation Information

Sponsorship Levels: (circle T-shirt or Event; List Event)

- LPES\$500 Supporter (Large Logo on T-shirt or Sponsor Event)
 LPES \$250 Supporter (Medium Logo on T-shirt or Sponsor Event)
 LPES\$100 Supporter (Small logo on Website)

Check if for T-shirt for Final Mile: _____
Write Event to Sponsor: _____
Donated items or Gift Card/
Certificates: _____
Approx Amount of Donations: _____

Please make checks payable to LPES PTA : Attn: Heather Nixon
Nixon
Please send a business card or logo of your company to
Hthurman2@cox.net; Attn: Heather Nixon

For questions or comments, contact Heather Nixon
757-236-4199; Hthurman2@cox.net
Please return completed to our school in an
envelope marked "LPES PTA" ATTN:HNixon

For taxation purposes, this serves as a receipt for a non-cash contribution, receipt(s) for cash sponsorships and contributions will be sent at a later date, after receipt of the donation. No goods or services were provided in consideration of this gift.

The amount deductible as a charitable contribution for Federal Income Tax purposes is limited to the excess of the value of the contribution over the fair market value of goods and services provided by Linkhorn Park Elementary School in consideration of this gift. The amount of the Sponsorship was \$ _____. Linkhorn Park Elementary School is a non-profit corporation. Federal Tax ID # 54-1036561

For use by LPES
Assigned to: _____ Special instructions _____
PTA representative: _____ Rep. phone _____
Check # _____ Amount _____ Date received _____