



# Galway PTSA Newsletter

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## FROM THE BOARD

*Believe it or not, we are just a few weeks away from Thanksgiving! We would be remis if we did not take a moment to express our thanks for this community: your participation, membership, and charity! With that, let's get into it...*

## NEWS & ACTION

### Fall Fundraiser Order Distribution: *where's my stuff?*

- Default plan is for orders to be sent home with students.
- If your child(ren) had large orders or things that would be difficult for them to carry home on the bus, we ask that you please make arrangements to pick up the items. ...information on your options is forthcoming.
  - Exact date for delivery is still TBD; more information will be provided soon about times and options.
  - Any questions should be directed to [galwayptsa@gmail.com](mailto:galwayptsa@gmail.com)

### Lost Items Alert:

There is a table outside the ES cafeteria with lost items (sweatshirts, jackets, etc.). To see what's there, head over to the Galway PTSA Facebook page. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/galwaynyptsa> or search "Galway PTSA" from your Facebook account.

*To claim lost items:* have your student(s) stop by the table, or email the photo with your lost item(s) and a description of the specific one(s) to [galwayptsa@gmail.com](mailto:galwayptsa@gmail.com); your student(s) can pick up their item(s) from Mrs. Hopper during school banking on Wednesdays.

FYI – the HS has a lost items box in the HS cafeteria, near the ramp. (We do not have photos to share.)

While you're checking out the Lost & Found: follow us!  
We post regular updates and share local news.



### Dance Recital: Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>: 2 shows

- 9:30am show will be for the following classes: PreK/K; 1<sup>st</sup> Grade; 4<sup>th</sup>; Competition
- 12pm show will be for the following classes: 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>; 5<sup>th</sup> and up; Eagles Blue; Competition

Tickets will be for sale online only; please direct all questions to [galwayptsadance@gmail.com](mailto:galwayptsadance@gmail.com)

### Picture Retake Day: Important instructions to follow ahead of retake day.

Retakes (for all grades) are scheduled for Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>

Information for picture retakes is on the reverse of your picture packet.

- You must call Adirondack School Portraits to be put on the schedule: 518-792-7919
- If this is a retake (v. a makeup) you must return the original package of pictures on retake day (follow instructions on the back of the portrait packet).
- If you would like a refund, but no pictures, you need to fill out the form on the back of the packet.

**"Retake" day is also for students who weren't able to make it to their original picture-day.**

Extra forms are located in the Elementary and Jr/Sr. HS offices.



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## NEWS & ACTION continued...

**Box Top\$ for Education:** an easy way to support Galway Elementary



No more cutting box-tops...there's an app for that! Search "Box Tops" in your app store; download the app; take a minute to setup an account; scan in your grocery receipts whenever you shop. *That's it! (With Thanksgiving approaching, it's a great time to start.)*

Just look for the "Box Top\$ for Education" logo for qualifying products.

**Holiday Gift Shop:** in-school for students who choose to shop (12/6-12/8)

- Cookie decorating contest: information will be coming home separately.
- We will need volunteers to help wrap, and shopping assistants: be on the lookout for an email from us with details and a link to sign-up!
- Each class will be assigned a time-slot to visit the store. More information will come home as we get closer.
- Wrapping Donations: small and medium gift bags and tissue paper are needed. We welcome any donations, and they can be sent to school with your student(s); a donation box will be setup outside the ES cafeteria.

**Book Fair Coin Drive:**

Nearly \$3,000 was raised! Congratulations: 1<sup>st</sup>: Mrs. Dunbar (2<sup>nd</sup>); 2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs. Best (K); 3<sup>rd</sup> Mrs. Remscheid (5<sup>th</sup>)

## QR Code Quick Access



Galway PTSA  
Facebook Page



PTSA Membership  
form; join today!



Galway PTSA  
Donation Page

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

\* There are 2 ways to attend a PTSA meeting: at the library or Zoom

### November:

- \*PTSA Meeting: 11/08/2023 6:30pm\*
- Picture Re-take Day: 11/09/23

### December

- Dance Recital: 12/3 9:30am & 12pm shows
- Holiday Gift Shop: 12/06-12/08/23 (during school)

### January

- \*PTSA Meeting: 01/10/2024 6:30pm\*
- Spring Dance session begins (Exact date TBD)

### February

- \*PTSA Meeting: 02/07/2024 6:30pm\*
- Spring Fundraiser: 2/8/24-2/28/24 (Info to come)

### March

- \*PTSA Meeting: 03/13/2024 6:30pm\*

### April

- \*PTSA Meeting: 04/10/2024 6:30pm\*

### May

- \*PTSA Meeting: 05/08/2024 6:30pm\*
- Book Fair Family Fun Night: 05/09/24 5:30-7:30pm
- Book Fair: 05/09/24-05/16/24 (during school)
- District Appreciation: 5/16/24

### June

- \*PTSA Meeting: 06/12/2024 6:30pm\*

[School Banking is every Wednesday.]

\* meetings are at the Galway Public Library; but, you can also join us virtually. See the events tab of our Facebook page for the link.



Many companies have employee donation-match programs: where the company will match an employee's donation to a non-profit organization with one of their own. If you're unsure if your employer has one, this is your reminder to ask! We'd so appreciate being the recipient of those funds: Galway PTSA should qualify!

Galway PTSA EIN/Federal Tax ID: 146030221

So, if you know someone who makes a donation to the PTSA at any time, please remind them to check!

The Galway PTSA accepts monetary donations, and 100% stays in our schools! <https://ptsadonations.cheddarup.com>