

PTO Newsletter

September 2018

A Message From Our PTO President

Dear AEEC Families,

Welcome to AEEC if your family is new to our school, and welcome back to those of you who are returning! It's my privilege to serve as your PTO President for the second and final year, and I look forward to meeting new faces and working alongside one another at school. The PTO Board is excited to build a relationship with your family, keep you informed, and work together to make our children's experience at AEEC the best possible.

The PTO Board hit the ground running this year, working and planning for the 2018-19 school year. It has been busy and fun! As you may have seen, we assisted with Meet the Teacher and Curriculum Nights, hosted a Back to School Breakfast for the teachers and staff, ordered and distributed Supply Kits, and supplied teachers with paper and annual grant money for classroom necessities. We hope you purchased and are proudly wearing your AEEC t-shirts; the "cash and carry" sales put them into the hands of many of our children and parents earlier this year, and any outstanding orders will be fulfilled by early September. I love seeing the school spirit in the hallways and around town!

This year we will continue to communicate with PTO newsletters like this one as well as by posting information on our Facebook page. To join, search and like "AEEC Parents 2018-19." You can ask questions quickly and easily on the FB page and be updated with information on events and happenings at the school; please be sure to be courteous in your posts as our goal is to foster a community of parents, teachers, and administrators working together and supporting one another. Please note our PTO "snail mail" mailbox is no longer in the school office as we discovered most of you prefer email and social media communications. If you need an immediate response to a matter, please contact one of the board members. Our contact info is found in this newsletter.

If you have heard or spoken to me at any time, you know how passionate I am about our school. My family has been at AEEC for six consecutive years, with three more to go. I strongly believe our involvement as parents enhances the already amazing education our children receive. Our PTO is successful only with your support and volunteerism. If you haven't already, please join the AEEC PTO (a \$5 per family donation) and let us know where and how you would like to get involved. Opportunities are available for any schedule, and we would be delighted to get you plugged in!

Lastly, please join me in welcoming and getting to know our new principal, Mr Matt Bruner. His enthusiasm is contagious, and his desire to take AEEC - our staff, students, and community as a whole - to new levels of excellence is evident. We are grateful for his leadership and know you will be as well!

Warmest Regards,
Mindy Basquin

Ways to Contact the AEEC PTO:

- ◆ Contact any board member.
- ◆ Like our AEEC Parents 2018-19 Facebook page.



Upcoming

September

14th- AEEC Fundraiser Kick Off and 2nd grade progress reports go home

18th- Title One meeting 5:30 PM and Math and Science Night 6:00 PM

21st- AEEC/OES Night at AHS Football game

27th- TCBY Night

October

9th- Dedicated Dads Breakfast at AEEC 6:45 AM

18th- AEEC PTO GLOW Party 4:30-6:30 PM

19th- Parent Conference Day (No School)

23rd- 26th- Red Ribbon Week

29- Nov. 2- Book Fair

30- HAPE Fall Festival 5:00-6:30 PM

November

9th- Veteran's Day Program 9:30 AM

12th- Veteran's Day (No School)

14th- 16th- AEEC Thanksgiving Meals

16th- Progress Reports sent home

21st-23rd- Thanksgiving Holidays (No School)

December

4th- Dedicated Dads Breakfast 6:45 a.m.

11th- Winter Holidays Program 6:00 PM

19th- Winter Holidays Parties; last day of school for first semester

January

7th- Students Start Back to school

The PTO is always looking for parent volunteers. Please contact a board member if you would like to volunteer!

“Let’s Glow, AEEC!” Fundraiser

What is the fundraiser?









AEEC PTO’s only annual fundraiser that is capped off with a Glow Party combining family, fun, and celebrating our fundraising success.

How does it work?

- ◆ Students raise money for AEEC and earn “Glow Gear.”
- ◆ Any business sponsors with children attending AEEC may count the business contribution towards the students' collective amount received.
- ◆ All students will be given a t-shirt to get started, and each student who gets his/her form signed will receive a Glow cup.
- ◆ The more money the students raise, the more Glow Gear they earn!
- ◆ The top class will receive a Marco’s Pizza Party, and the top grade level will win a Kona Ice party!
- ◆ The top fundraising student from each grade will receive a grand prize.
- ◆ Students will receive raffle tickets for every \$10 earned that they will be able to put towards lots of fun prizes.
- ◆ "Let's Glow, AEEC!" is being administered solely by the AEEC PTO. This means ALL FUNDS RAISED STAY AT AEEC!
- ◆ Students wear their Glow Gear during the "Let's Glow, AEEC!" party!
- ◆ **GLOW FAMILY FUN NIGHT** Presented by Moore’s Mill Club, Amsterdam’s Café, and Illumination Landscape Lighting will be **Thursday, October 18** from 4:30-6:30.
- ◆ Fundraising envelopes will be sent home in the Friday Folders on **September 14**, and the due date for all donations is **September 21**.
- ◆ You can send in money or **donate online** using MySchoolBucks.com.
- ◆ **Our 2018 goal is \$25,000, and all of the money goes directly to our school.** Last year the money went towards playground improvements, art and music supplies, books for our library, grade level grants, and more.
- ◆ Money raised this year will go towards safety improvements on playground equipment, a science and social studies curriculum school-wide, and grants to be used in specials and grade level classrooms.
- ◆ If you would like to be a business sponsor, September 7 is the deadline to be included on the t-shirt that all students receive. Please email tiffanyrhyne@gmail.com.



GLOW FOR IT & EARN PRIZES

SIGNED FORM		GLOW CUP
\$10		GLOW BRACLET
\$20		GLOW NECKLACE
\$30		FINGER LIGHTS
\$50		GLOW GLASSES
\$70		GLOW RING
\$100		GLOW DANCING BATON
\$130		GLOW SLIME
\$150		GLOW FLYER

EARN RAFFLE TICKETS FOR EVERY \$10 RAISED

SAVE THE DATE:

Glow Party

October 18th 4:30—6:30 p.m.

AEEC PTO BOARD 2018-2019

- President: Mindy Basquin
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Support AEEC by attending Restaurant Nights!

Watch for information regarding upcoming restaurant nights. AEEC aims to have one every other month during the school year. A portion of the designated restaurant's receipts for the evening come back to our school.

**Our first restaurant night of the year is
SEPTEMBER 27th at TCBY!**

**The class that turns in the most
coloring sheets will win a TCBY
sundae party!**

AEEC T-shirts

Fridays are Spirit Days at AEEC, so wear your school t-shirt!

Box Tops



Collecting Box Tops is an easy way to support AEEC. Box Tops can be found on a variety of products, and each one is worth money that goes directly to our school! Please begin to bring your Box Tops in Ziplocs or envelopes and submit them to your child's teacher.

Plan Ahead!

Monetary Needs of the PTO this year are as follows:

- ◆ PTO Annual Family Dues—\$5.00
- ◆ GLOW Fundraiser—any amount your child can raise
- ◆ Teacher Appreciation (Spring) - Donations to go toward teacher gifts (amount range is \$5-\$25)



**To Benefit The Learning Tree
Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018
Cooter's Pond
Alabama River**

ENTRY FEE \$120 per boat

WEIGH IN 2 P.M.
Fishing begins at safe daylight

TO REGISTER

Complete the registration form and mail it to the address below, or bring it the morning of the tournament.

QUESTIONS

Stephanie Weldon
P.O. Box 780639 • Tallahassee, AL 32307
sweldon@learning-tree.org • (334) 415-9372

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE Contact Stephanie for info. For a complete list of rules and regulations, see the back. Boat assigned in the order of registration accepted.

Cash Prizes!

- \$1,500 1st Place
- Big Fish
- Places 1-10 Paid

\$100 to the highest placing Male/Female and Parent/Child teams!

\$10 optional big fish pot with a 70/30 split

PRIZES

Place	Price
1	\$1500
2	\$1000
3	\$ 800
4	\$ 600
5	\$ 500
6	\$ 400
7	\$ 300
8	\$ 200
9	\$ 150
10	\$ 100



Autism Awareness ... Fishing for Hope!