# Russell Lee Elementary PTA

Membership meeting- September 12, 2023



#### MEET the E-Board Russell Lee PTA



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#### **ADMIN &** TEACHER REPS



Ms. Sileo Principal



Ms. Larsen grades K-2



Ms. Price grades 3-6



Mr. Rincon **Essential Areas** 



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# Report

#### **2023-2024 PTA focus areas**

- Reinvigorating fundraising to maintain a balanced budget
- 1. Communicating the role and purpose of PTA within the school
- Supporting teacher happiness and increasing quality student experiences
- 1. Exploring options for Capital Improvement Projects for enhancing the school community



## What is the PTA up to? Standing Committees

\*\* Yellow border indicates the need for volunteers.

https://www.russellleepta.org/volunteer

Teacher Appreciation

Community Cares

Copy Cats

Roadies

Lee Creates

Webmaster

Lost and Found

Merchandise



## What is the PTA up to? Special committees and events

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Carnival

In School Presentations

Russell Lee Art exhibit

Loteria Night

Lee Olympics

Lee Live

Roadrunner Rally

Geography Day

Movie Nights

Celebration of Science

#### What's new this year?

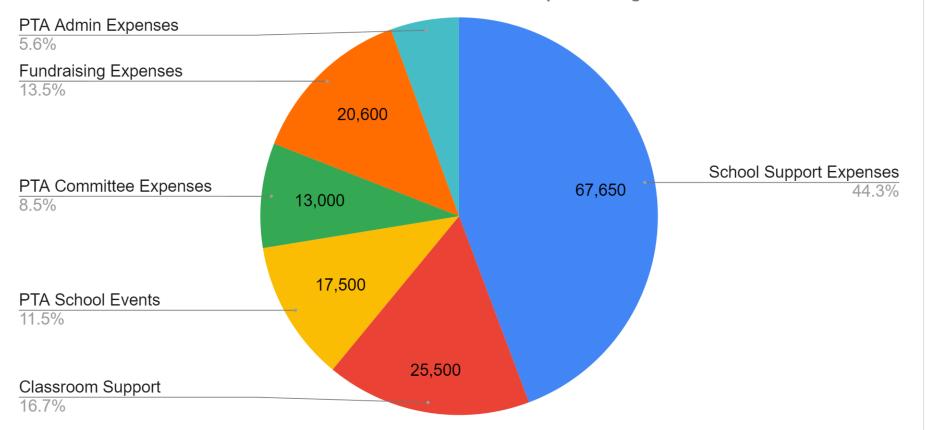
- Room Reps instead of GLC's
- Fewer general meetings- 4 versus 9
- After school enrichment program changes
- Lounge helpers role added
- Carnival back as a fundraiser
- More in school presentations funded by the PTA
   Anti-Bullying presentation, Native American dance presentation, Testing Pep Rally/ Character development, Black History Laser light show
- Added monthly teacher appreciation celebrations



#### **Budget Amendment Highlights**

- Regrowing fundraising capacity
- Slowly spending down reserves
- Adjusting initial budget to allow for growth of After-school Clubs programming
- 80% of budgeted expenses are for activities, programs, and events that directly benefit the school and its students

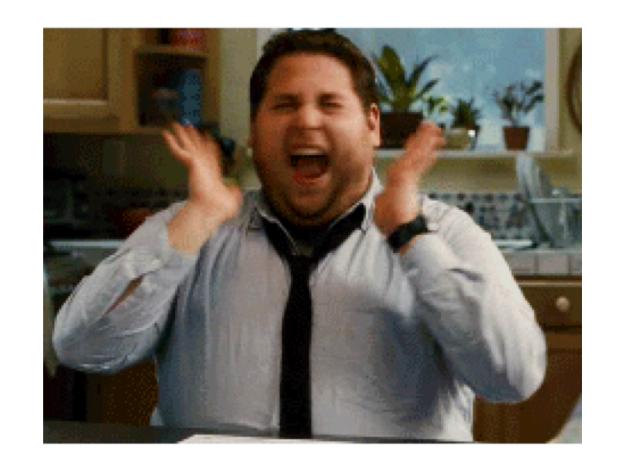
#### School Year 2023-2024 Amended Expense Budget



#### **Budget considerations- 2023-2024**

- Surplus from 2020
  - AISD prohibited PTA's from funding staff positions
  - COVID happened!
- How do we best utilize the carryover budget surplus?
  - Process for submitting ideas and requests for funding for Capital Improvement projects
  - Polling community about where they would like the money to go.
  - Working with Lee Leadership to understand future needs (possibly helping cover some temporary gaps in staffing)
- 2023-2024 Budget Focus
  - Fundraise in 23-24 to cover expenses in 23-24.
  - Budget assumes a Net Loss from activities, ie, spending down reserves (see Treasurer report)

Let's talk about fundraising!!



#### What is this?

A no-frills fundraiser to support the needs of our teachers and students. Donations also fund execution of community events, such as Fall Carnival, Lee Olympics and Geography Day.

GOAL: \$30,000

Current: 25% of our goal! (\$7636)

### ROADRUNNER RALLY ROADRUNNER RALLY ROADRUNNER RALLY ROADRUNNER RALLY ROADRUNNER RALLY ROADRUNNER RALLY ROADRUNNER RALLY

Donate today
BIT.LY/ROADRUNNER23

#### Calling all business sponsors



If you're a local business owner and are interested in becoming a Lee Elementary sponsor, please reach out!

Your tax deductible donation is an investment in the future of 400+ students, strengthens our neighborhood and publicizes your business to hundreds of Roadrunner families and staff in our community.

Email: fundraising@russellleepta.org

#### Upcoming receipt shares

September

Sept 6: Vamonos

Sept 20: the backspace (Anderson Lane)

Sept 26, 4-6pm: Sonic (at Cameron Rd)

October

Ongoing: Minted (20% off!)

Oct 2: Torchy's Tacos (Guadalupe)

Oct 17-23: Tea Collection (15% off)

November

Nov 4: Terra's Toys

Week of Nov 27: Bookpeople

Nov 29: Lee x Bookpeople event

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## KNOW ANYBODY? HAVE IDEAS?

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Contact me at <u>fundraising@russellleepta.org</u>



# Russell Lee Yearbooks - Coming your way!

Presale begins on September 18th, 2023

QR code to order will be posted to PS and flyers will be sent home.

Questions? Email: historian@russellleepta.org discount if ordered by October 31st

#### **Upcoming Events**

## September

Sunday, September 17th- Roadie Work Day

Wednesday, September 20th- Receipt share at the backspace

Thursday, September 21st- 6th Grade program

Monday, September 25th- No School; Parent Teacher conferences

**Tuesday, September 26th-** Receipt share at Sonic

Friday, September 29th- Loteria Night!

## October

October 2nd- Torchy's Tacos

Monday, October 9th- Staff development/ Student holiday

Thursday, October 12th- 2nd Grade Program

October 17-23- Receipt Share with Tea Collection

**Saturday, October 28th-** Fall Carnival and Book Fair

Monday, October 30th- Parent presentation on Bullying @ 5:30 PM

#### **Final Thoughts...**

1. Get Involved!



Don't forget Roadrunner Rally!



 Don't miss our communications through Parent Square, Facebook and on the website- www.russellleepta.org

# Questions?

Remember to follow along with the latest updates on the Lee PTA Website.

