



# ERIE ELEMENTARY PTCO NEWS

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## PTCO Volunteer Positions

A HUGE THANK YOU to all the parents who have stepped up into the following positions! We are going to have a WONDERFUL continuation of the year!

- Field Day BBQ Chair  
**Sara Mares**
- Parent Partner Program Co-Chair  
**Nicole Lavoie**
- PAWS Program Co-Chairs  
**Laurie Summers & Kerry Ross**
- Quadrathlon Chair  
**Michelle Kelley**

- Reading with Santa Co-Chair  
**Geri Ostrander**
- Restaurant Nights Co-Chair  
**Traci Menassa**
- Silent Auction Co-Chairs  
**Theresa Johnston & Kristin Toothaker**
- Staff Appreciation Co-Chair  
**Kristina Stem**
- Winter Talent Show Chair  
**Michelle Toledo**

We still have two remaining open positions: Late Start Breakfast Chair, and January

Conference Meals Chair. If you are interested in volunteering for either of these, please contact Angie Crookshank at [angiecrookshank@comcast.net](mailto:angiecrookshank@comcast.net)



*Volunteers are not paid,  
not because they are  
worthless but because*

## Upcoming Events

- **PTCO Meeting**  
Thursday, Dec. 9th  
6:30pm in the Library
- **Reading with Santa**  
Thursday, Dec. 9th, 7pm
- **Spring Carnival Planning Meeting**  
Monday, Dec. 13th, 7pm
- **PTCO Meeting**  
Thursday, Jan. 13th  
6:30pm in the Library
- **Winter Talent Show**  
Friday, Feb. 4th, 6:30pm
- **Chick-fil-A Night**  
Tuesday, Feb. 8th
- **PTCO Meeting**  
Thursday, Feb. 10th  
6:30pm in the Library



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## Technology Purchases



To date, Erie Elementary's Jog-A-Thon 2010 has raised **\$29,564.03!** In an ongoing effort towards keeping the school community informed on how these proceeds and that of other fundraising programs are being spent we've included this list of the purchases to date.

10 Digital Blue QX5 Microscopes ♦ 12 Flip Ultra HD Webcams ♦ 12 8GB iPod Touches ♦ 1 Panasonic Digital Camcorder & 1 Tripod ♦ [For use in the technology lab]: 1 Kodiak Zi8 Silicon Sleeve ♦ 4 Logitech Headset/Microphone ♦ 30 Speedskin Keyboard Covers ♦ 2 Blue Microphones - Snowball ♦ 1 Wamboo Bamboo Tablet/Pen

With the **\$941.88** raised during our restaurant nights we have also purchased 9 additional digital microscopes. Free Money proceeds of **\$203.36** have not yet been designated.

## Free Money Programs

Congratulations to Mrs. Ward, Ms. Maunu, and Mrs. Brinker's classes for winning the October Boxtop/Labels contest! There was a total of 1,227 labels submitted. Winning classes will receive a classroom party courtesy of the Free Money Program.



Erie Elementary has moved up to 2nd place in the Shopping4Students contest at The Orchard Town Center. Please check their updated flyer for the many special events and bonus point opportunities going on between now and January: Winterfest, Eco-friendly ice skating, and awesome bonus point deals for Black Friday are just a few. Envelopes went home in weekly folders making it easier for you to save those receipts and have them logged for you. Please visit the Shopping4Students website to view the current flyer and additional details - [www.shoppingpartnership.com/points/flyers/](http://www.shoppingpartnership.com/points/flyers/)

## Family Night: Reading with Santa

**Thursday, December 9th from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

Come with your kids to hear Santa Claus reading holiday stories and enjoy some hot cocoa and cookies. This is a family event open to all Erie Elementary students, families, friends, and the community. **Attending children must be accompanied by an adult.**

Santa will appear immediately following the PTCO meeting, which parents are encouraged to join us at first. The PTCO offers free child care for meeting attendees provided by Erie Middle School NJHS students.

### NEW THIS YEAR...

We will be doing a BOOK EXCHANGE in conjunction with "Reading with Santa"! Children who bring a wrapped book (used, in good condition) will get to swap their book! In exchange for your book, you will be given a ticket to redeem a different book on your way out. To help in this process, **please label** your book with the grade level and



specify if the book is for a girl, boy, or non-specific. In order to ensure that all kids go home with age-appropriate books, you will be asked to only take a book out of the labeled bin in which your original book was dropped off. All unclaimed books will be donated to families in need.

**We are seeking donations of hot cocoa (canisters preferably), cups, and of course LOTS and LOTS of cookies!** If you can donate items, please contact April Martinez at 303-588-7516 or [april.martinez@qwest.com](mailto:april.martinez@qwest.com). Donations of cocoa and cups can be dropped off at the office at anytime. Cookies can be dropped off anytime during the day of the event on Thursday, December 9th. Please deliver them to Margaret or Liz in the front office as well.

## Staff Appreciation



We will be providing GIFT WRAPPING for the entire Erie Elementary School staff during the week of December 13th. **We are in need of wrapping paper, ribbon, bows, tape, and labels.** If you are able to provide any of the items, please deliver them to school anytime after December 1st. If you would like to volunteer to help wrap presents, please contact Jenny Maggert at [jennymaggert@gmail.com](mailto:jennymaggert@gmail.com)

## Spirit Shop

### December Liquidation



**SPIRIT SHOP**

Spirit gear will be on sale during our Reading with Santa event. Most of our items will be discounted to make room for our spring inventory.

Please contact Jolene Taff at [Jolenerie311@aol.com](mailto:Jolenerie311@aol.com) with any questions you may have about our Spirit Shop.

## Winter Talent Show



### Erie Elementary's Got Talent...

Save the date for Erie Elementary School's Winter Talent Show coming February 4th at 6:30pm. Watch for talent forms to come home after the holiday break.

Please contact [sheltoledo@comcast.net](mailto:sheltoledo@comcast.net) with any question or volunteer opportunities.

## Spring Carnival



**Erie Elementary School  
Spring Carnival & Silent Auction**

The Spring Carnival Committee is seeking volunteers to help with preliminary planning.. **There will be a meeting on December 13th at 7:00pm** (location to be determined). The planning committee is especially interested in trying to hold this year's event outdoors, therefore we'd love to meet anyone who has connections for tents and outdoor heaters. The Spring Carnival will be held on Friday, April

8th. Please contact Mercedes Merchant, [mercedes\\_merchant@yahoo.com](mailto:mercedes_merchant@yahoo.com) if you are interested in being a part of the planning committee, or just volunteering.

## Silent Auction

What do you do with that holiday present you know you won't use, or the gift card you received for a store you don't shop at? Remember that the Silent Auction will be held in conjunction with the Spring Carnival on Friday, April 8th. PTCO Classroom Representatives will be asking for donations for class baskets starting the first week in February, so get those creative thinking caps on!

