

PTO NEWSLETTER

TRUNK OR TREAT Friday Oglober 2886 al 7pm

Hocus Pocus ... Trunk or Treat is near.
Witches, Ghosts, and Goblins beware.
Wicked fun for all. Get prepared to
celebrate Halloween at ALT. The
continued success of this event requires
many families volunteering to decorate
trunks and assist that evening. We look
forward to another great ALT
Halloween Bash! You can contact
Heather Silver at
silverstar10013@earthlink.net if you
have any questions. CLICK HERE for
details on Trunk or Treat.



IMPORTANT DATES

10/3 - No School

10/10-12 - No School

10/13 - Fire Department Visit for K/1st

10/14 - Fruit/Veggie Tasting

10/21 - Look into the Stars School-Wide Assembly

10/24 - Picture Re-Take

10/28 - Wear your ALT Shirt-School Spirit Day

10/28 - Truck-or-Treat

10/31 - Halloween Parade

Letter from our Presidents

Dear ALT Parents,

The ALT community is back and we are moving full speed ahead! The staff was welcomed with a Warren Deli luncheon on their first day, compliments of the PTO. Our teachers and staff send there thanks to all parents of the PTO and Joy Kalfus for arranging the luncheon. We had our first Family Fun Day at Camp Riverbend and it was a huge success with over 300 people in attendance. We hosted a New Parents' Tea to welcome the new families to our community. We also had a Scholastic Book Fair during Back to School Night.

The September PTO meeting was well attended and we hope for that continued support throughout the year. Our 2016-2017 budget was approved and many upcoming events for the year were discussed at this meeting.

The ALT PTO 2016-2017 Donation Appeal is off to a great start! We are sincerely thankful for all those families who have participated thus far and we ask for the support of all families so that we can continue to enrich the ALT experience for our children. It's never too late to donate. Last year we reached 90% participation and are hoping to match or exceed that this year

October is an exciting month for ALT! The PTO is sponsoring a wonderful assembly for the children on October 21st - "Look up to the Stars". Our children are treated to a Fruit/ Veggie Tasting compliments of the PTO on October 14th during lunch. Additionally, Trunk-or-Treat is back by popular demand on Friday, October 28th. Volunteer to decorate a trunk and distribute treats and you are guaranteed to have a great time. This event is a school favorite, so please be sure to participate!

We hope that you enjoy the beautiful fall weather and we look forward to your continued support!

Sincerely, Lisa Checchio and Gina Valenti - ALT PTO Co-Presidents

NEXT PTO MEETING

Thursday Nov. 17, 2016 1:15PM All Purpose Room

FOOD DAYS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3	4 Uber Bistro	5 McD's	6 Cafe Agira	7 Ice Cream	8
9	10	11	12	13 Bagel	14	15
16	17 Pizza	18 Turf N Surf	19 Bagel	20 _{La} Strada	21	22
23	24 Pizza	25 Nuray's	26 Ling Ling	27 Cafe Agira	28	29
30	31 Pizza					



VOLUNTEERS All school Volunteers are required to review the Parent Volunteering Training Presentation on warrentboe.org. Prior to volunteering in the school, the completed form must be returned to the school in an envelope marked PTO Volunteer Form. This training was also sent out via eblast and is located on our ALT webpage.





BOOK FAIR NEWS

Thank you to our ALT Families! At our Scholastic Book Fair on Back to School Night we had over \$7,000 in sales plus over 100 books donated to the ALT classrooms. Thanks to your generosity we receive approximately \$5000 in scholastic dollars for the principal and teachers to invest in our school.

FOOD DAYS...

Reminder ALT does not have Food Days on Fridays. Next ordering period opens on 10/20. Please go to <u>myfooddays.com</u> to order.





Donations: We rely on every family's generous support to continue to bring so many wonderful programs to our school. Please see the below for details. **Click here to view the Donation Appeal letter**

Fruit & Veggie Tasting October 14th - Sponsored by the PTO - Children will have the opportunity to sample various fruits and veggie during

Children will have the opportunity to sample various fruits and veggie during lunch. The selections made available will be done in conjunction with Mrs. Brennan and will be eblasted prior to the event.





ALT DIRECTORY...

Directory Coming Soon for all PTO Members



Thank you, thank you, thank you...

Deb Mitchell for creating our Newsletter each month.

Karen Clintock for updating our Bulletin Boards each month.

Joy Kalfus for arranging the Staff Luncheon. Michelle Simon for treating our new parents to a yummy parent tea.

Maria Pontoriero and committee for making Back to School Night inviting and especially delicious. JoAnne Purpora and Angelina Rodden for making sure we are always ready for ALT spirit by selling our School Clothing. Lorie Acciarito and Joy Kalfus for chairing another successful Scholastic Book Fair.







About a year ago, the Warren Township Board of Education embarked on a process to hire a new superintendent. In a community-wide survey, one quality emerged as the clear highest priority. The new superintendent must "listen to and effectively represent the interests and concerns of students, staff, parents, and community members."

Since arriving in the district on July 1, it has been my mission to listen to as many people as possible. This has included meetings with members of the Board of Education, staff, students, parents, community leaders, and vendors, among others. I have committed myself to learning about the history of Warren Township and its schools and finding an answer to one pressing question: "What makes Warren Township so special?"

In this process, I learned some interesting things about the district's history. A few pieces of historical trivia:

- Central School, built in 1932, was designed to provide one centralized location for K-8 education in Warren Township and replaced a system of five, one-room school buildings scattered throughout the community.
- Woodland School opened in 1953, Washington Valley School (now Angelo L. Tomaso School) in 1959, Mt. Horeb School in 1966, and Warren Middle School in 1972.
- School-based parent-teacher organizations were first created in the 1964-5 school year. Prior to that time, there was one district-wide group.
- When Warren Middle School opened in 1972, Superintendent Dr. Angelo L. Tomaso described it as a "flexible, modern facility that can change to meet the changes required of us in the next 50 years" That was 44 years ago!
- The first traffic light was turned on in Warren on September 27, 1973 at Mount Bethel Road and Mountain Boulevard. Could you imagine that intersection without traffic lights today?
- The first school lunch program was offered in the 1977-8 school year due to a New Jersey Superior Court ruling that required it. The district contracted with a local company to provide bagged lunches to students.

More important than these interesting tidbits, I got the answer to my initial question; the people make Warren Township a special place.

During our school opening exercises, Mrs. Tia Allocco, president of the Warren Township Board of Education, joined me in welcoming back our dedicated staff and celebrating some of the unsung heroes who are so crucial to our students' success. Our secretarial staffs, paraprofessionals, custodians, maintenance workers, van drivers, and central office staff do not expect or ask for the limelight. Yet, without their commitment day after day we would not have such a highly regarded school system.

As we transition from the opening of school into the fall, from back to school nights to conferences and the holidays, let us all keep these members of our school community at the forefront of our minds.

We have one common goal - to shine brighter every day. It is my great pleasure to serve as your superintendent. Please consider attending one or more of the Coffee with the Superintendent events scheduled throughout the year. Full details and registration information can be found on the district website at www.warrentboe.org.

Best wishes on a wonderful school year! Matthew A. Mingle, Ed.D.



HEALTHY NUMBERS AT ALT

- GET 9 HOURS OF SLEEP EACH NIGHT
- **EAT 5 FRUITS AND VEGETABLES EVERY DAY**
- NO MORE THAN 2 HOURS OF SCREEN TIME A DAY
- **EXERCISE AT LEAST 1 HOUR EACH DAY**
- O SUGARY DRINKS

PLEASE HELP REINFORCE OUR HEALTHY NUMBERS AT HOME!

THE PTO WILL SPONSOR ANOTHER FRUIT/VEGETABLE TASTING ON OCTOBER 14TH!!

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our ALT students and staff healthy!

Jan Brennan, RN, CSN

908-753-5300 ext. 5303





NEW Box Tops App!

Please continue to support our school and PTO by clipping and submitting your Box Tops. Please send your clipped Box Tops to school with your child regularly. There is a collection box in the front office.



Shoparoo

Shoparoo is another way you can help our school!

Shoparoo, is a free iPhone and Android app that turns pictures of your shopping receipts into donations to our school. Just take a quick moment to snap a picture of your receipt and you have made an instant cash donation to ALT. Thanks in advance for your support!!! Please contact Ana Dhiman at anadhiman@yahoo.com if you have questions on Box Tops or Shoparoo.



Instantly turn pictures of your shopping receipts into donations for your school!



The ALT PTO Proudly presents

The 7th Annual Trunk-or-Treat Halloween Spooktacular



Friday, October 28th at 7pm

(raindate - Friday, November 4th)



Come one, come all!

All ALT families are invited to have a scary good time compliments of the PTO. The event is held at ALT, in the side parking lot. Dress warmly...it's all outdoors.

Trunk-or-Treating is just like trick-or-treating but going trunk to trunk instead of house to house, allowing the kids to stock up on enough candy and treats for the whole year!

To make this event a **screaming success**, we need trunks. No trunks, no candy, no fun :(

Go crazy or stay simple-just decorate and have a great time.

We will also have 2 Gaming Trucks on site for all of your electronic entertainment and maybe even a few surprises up our sleeves.

Hot dogs and warm, soft pretzels will be served.

We encourage everyone to come out and have a howling good time!

Name :	Email :
	e to volunteer to decorate my trunk and bring NUT FREE treats to distribute. e at 6:30 to set up my trunk and receive additional treats to distribute.
	e to volunteer to serve food, clean up, etc and I will donate 2 large bags of treats that I will drop off in the school lobby during the week of Oct 24th.
	ding the event and will donate 2 large bags of NUT FREE treats that I will drop chool lobby during the week of Oct 24th.
	Please note: THIS IS NOT A DROP OFF EVENT





ALT PTO 2016-2017 Donation Appeal

Shining Brighter Every Day

At the beginning of every new school year, and in lieu of fundraising, the ALT PTO reaches out to each family for donations to support the PTO for the coming year. We ask every family for your generous support, so that we can continue to enrich the ALT experience for our children. With all of your support, below is a listing of just some of the wonderful initiatives that the ALT PTO will fund this year.

School-wide Assemblies Field Day Trunk-or-Treat Literature Day Family Fun Events Grade-level Programs Fifth Grade Event & Yearbook School Directory for all Members School Spirit Gifts for all Children Staff Appreciation Week "Dream It - Fund It" Program International Day

We ask that every ALT family please support the PTO by making a minimum donation of \$60 for one child enrolled at ALT or \$110 per family. This donation will be used to directly benefit your child and includes membership to the ALT PTO. If you are unable to make the suggested donation, please donate what you can. Families that donate \$10 or more will receive a copy of the school directory.

It is with sincere gratitude that we thank you for your support!! **The ALT PTO Executive Board**

Lisa Checchio, Co-President Jaime Berlant, Vice President Gina Rosenfarb, Vice President Alicia Freidinger, Secretary Gina Valenti, Co-President Angelina Rodden, Vice President Heather Silver, Vice President Nelly Pucci, Treasurer

Last Name:	
First Name(s) & Grade(s):	
Amount Enclosed \$	4.3

(Suggested minimum donation of \$60 for one child or \$110 per family)

^{**} Return by September 30^{5h} to your child's teacher in an envelope marked ALT PTO.

^{**} Please make checks payable to the ALT PTO or donate online at $\frac{www.myfooddays.com}{}$. (Checks are preferred as we pay a small fee for online donations.)