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• Gala Recap
• Updating the PTA Bylaws
• Proposed 2018-19 PTA Budget
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Support for Family Night

[Image of a star with the text "WE, THE PIZZA"]

[Image of a bear]
Shop for Brent

• Harris Teeter School Code: 7117

• [Sign up at escript.com](http://www.brentelementary.org/support-brent.html) (Group ID #: 11873183)

• Register your Safeway Club Card
Amazon Smile

- Go to smile.amazon.com

- Brent PTA gets 0.5% of each eligible purchase

- Your current charity Robert Brent Parent Teacher Association has received

  $795.48
  as of February 2018

  Up over $200 since August
For Example
Important Dates

PARCC Testing Schedule
• 5th grade - April 30 - May 4
• 4th grade - May 7 - May 11
• 3rd grade - May 14 - May 18

PTA Board Meeting – Wednesday, May 9

Last Day of School - Friday, June 15, will become a half-day for students with dismissal at 12:15 PM.
Community Members in Need

As we all know, from time to time members in our community need our support through challenges and struggles.

• Mary Young, Brent’s custodial foreperson, has been diagnosed with cancer and will officially retire from Brent with almost 30 years of service in June. Ms. Young has been out due to aggressive treatment of her condition.

• Ms. Shirley, Brent’s crossing guard, is supporting her daughter who was recently gravely injured in an automobile accident.

While separate communications will detail additional efforts to support Ms. Young and Ms. Shirley, we are asking for our students and families to write cards and notes of support and caring to these two staff members. Cards and notes can be brought to the front office and we will deliver them.
Building Modernization Update
Lobbying the Council

• Testified before the Council’s Education Committee last month.
• Currently scheduling visits with Members of the Council or their staffs.
• It will be up to Charles Allen to direct funds to Brent.
• Our strategy so far has been to advocate on behalf of the community without activating the community in the interest of saving everyone's time.
• Stay tuned for next steps.
Gala Recap
Remember to Support our Generous Sponsors...

Top of the Class Sponsors: $5000

Silver Sponsors: $500

Chris Cox First Savings Mortgage Corporation

Platinum Sponsors: $2000

Phil & Jeanne & Meg Residential and Commercial Real Estate

Gold Sponsors: $1000

TaoTi Creative

Bronze Sponsors: $250

NSC Partners

DC Access

JASON TOWNSEND
Capital Community Properties.com

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Brent Elementary School
...and Thank Our Favorite Restaurants
The Results Are In

This year’s event raised:

Over $70,000!!!!
Thank You!

- Claire Portolese
- Seth Shapiro
- Kellie Nasser
- Meg Shapiro
- April Boyd
- Ana Townsend
- Tasha Ferguson
- Whitney Paxson
Updating the PTA Bylaws
Brent’s Current Bylaws

• Based off of the National PTA bylaws.
• Were adopted April 5, 2005.
• Dues are required to be part of the PTA and attend meetings.
• As a PTA, the Brent PTA owes 10% of its budget to the National PTA.
  • The National PTA has successfully sued groups that use the PTA name without fulfilling this requirement.

Therefore, the current PTA Board recommends dissolving this body and forming a new body to support Brent Elementary.
Timeline

• The dissolution process is projected to take a minimum of 2 years to complete.
• The existing organization must be closed out while the structure of the new organization is put into place.
• The Internal Revenue Service is likely to audit the Brent PTA as part of this process.
• While the financial components are being addressed, the legal paperwork to establish a new organization can be prepared.
Next Steps

• The first step along this path is developing new bylaws that will go into effect in for the next school year.
• A Bylaws Working Group will be meet on Monday, April 30th to develop recommendations that will be given to the PTA Board.
• The PTA Board will vote on the recommended bylaws at the next board meeting, scheduled for May 9th.
• The next bylaws will be approved by the general body at the May general meeting.
2018-19 PTA Budget
The Goal of the PTA Budget

• To work in concert with the school’s budget to address the guiding principles developed during the strategic planning process.
  • Supporting Growth
  • Advancing the potential of every student
  • Become a strong field experience school
  • Strengthening specials
Projected Revenue Highlights

• Annual Fund and Tree Sale: Plan to bring in an additional $20K across these two fundraisers.
• Increase revenue for school store which has significantly increased the past two years.
• New pass-throughs (e.g. school sports teams and possible 5K fundraiser with feeders).
• Supply Fee will remain $125/student.
• Reduced the expected income from the Fall Festival to make it more of a community building event.
Projected Expense Highlights

• CIT Fellows Program replaced with DCPS-funded positions.
• An increase in technology upkeep and acquisition.
• Big, new socio-emotional investment in recess/learning through play.
• Library and curricular refreshes/equity.
• Planning for an increase in fundraising expenses.
• Furniture to support the larger student body.
• Funding for PTA audits.
Next Steps

• Review the proposed budget.
• Share any feedback.
• Vote to approve the budget at the May PTA General Meeting.
Q&A