



AGENDA

MS54 PTA General Meeting

October 12, 2021 @ 7:30 p.m., Zoom Mtg

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- **Welcome, Introductions**

- Welcome
- Approval of September PTA minutes to be signed off for November 9, 2021 PTA meeting
- Introductions + PTA Elections and welcome new PTA Executive board members
- Housekeeping/Admin and still looking for Co-Fundraising

- **Principal's Report**

- Welcome to Joe Beauvais and thank you for joining us
- Kids are taking Math assessments
- Parents please check your email about kids consent forms for COVID testing
- Hot lunches are now available
- Would like suggest asking kids about the comfort of their masks since masks are required
- Reminder that Early Academy are on Tuesday and Thursday and if they come in at 8:25 am or after, then they are not allowed to come in and need to get there early to participate in EA

- **Communications**

- Still looking for class parents for 6th, 7th and 8th (<https://www.ms54.org/class-parents.html>)
- Reminder to sign up to Ryan Health Center: <https://www.ms54.org/ryan-health-center.html>

- **Treasurer's Report**

- Financial report available next month as Treasurer is out sick

- **Safety Update**

- We have 2 Safety Agents and having a review is getting done and decide on who will oversee building door alarms
- We will let each class know when any students are affected with COVID

- **SLT Update**

- Andy Weinstein update - 1st SLT meeting on Oct 8th and next meeting on Nov 12th via Zoom
- Talked about # student enrolled, the impact of vaccine mandate, DOE recovery plans, etc

- **CEC Update**

- Lucas Lui update - discussions on potential changes on G&T resolution and remote learning discussions and options; encourage parents to step up and take action
- Oct 20th meeting - planning to discuss how middle schools and high schools admissions will work

- **Teacher Update**

- Update from Joe Beauvais (6th grade teacher and union representative) - teachers are very excited and happy to be back; kids are still working on learning muscles to fully get back to school; will have a teacher attending each PTA General Meeting moving forward



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- **After School Update**
 - Had more than expected kids sign up (have about 500 kids participating in the program) for the After School update and we are already starting to work on the Winter program
- **Grants + Fundraising + Annual Appeal Updates**
 - John Decauter is working on Grants for MS54
- **Community Updates**
 - Fundraising
 - 2nd Turkey Trot Fundraiser (\$20 for adults or 18 years or older and free for anyone under 17 years) and shirts/swag on sale and need to be ordered by Oct 25th
 - Pie drive - orders are due by Nov 2nd and will be delivered to MS54 on Nov 23rd (range of time to be announced)
 - The flyer for both fundraisers will be in the backpacks this week!
 - Annual Appeal - on-line appeal platform is not available, but please send donations to:
 - PTA of MS54, Booker T. Washington at 103 W 107th St NY NY 10025
 - Healing Ambassador Program - Alison Gardy is representing MS54 as a Healing Ambassador Program
 - Wellness Committee - October 15, 2021 at 8 pm - topic - how to help your kids handle social media and more details at <https://www.ms54.org/wellness-committee.html>
 - Equity Team - October 19, 2021 at 7 pm - for more information please email at equity@ms54pta.org
 - Grade Rep Check-In
 - 8th - Monday, October 18th at 7:30 - High School Specialized High Schools
 - Come join us as we hear from students about their transition from MS54 to Bronx Science, Brooklyn Tech, City College/HSMSC, Lehman, Stuyvesant and Brearley, a private school. Our moderator will be Ms. Mansell, MS54's High School Articulation Specialist. We'll ask the speakers if we can record the session and/or share the notes so all can benefit.
 - 7th - none as 7th grade rep was just elected
 - 6th - none as 6th grade rep was just elected
 - Events
 - Howl-O-Ween + Hot Chocolate Dog Walk on October 30th at 4:30 pm and rsvp at activities@ms54pta.org
- **Unfinished Business**
 - Would like volunteers to help find a texting system as an alternative communications to parents

Remaining General PTA Meetings:

November 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

December 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

January 7, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

February 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

March 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.



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April 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

May 10, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

June 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.