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Important Upcoming Dates

- August 12** (Friday): Principal's Coffee
- August 17** (Wednesday): Open House Folder Stuffing
- August 18** (Thursday): Open House, Schedule Below
- August 20** (Saturday): New Family Meet and Greet and Popsicles with the Principal, 10-11:30am, Mantua Playground
- August 22** (Monday): First Day of School
- August 25** (Thursday): PTA Meeting, Virtual, 7pm
- September 1** (Thursday): Pizza and Ice Cream Social, 5:30-7pm
- September 2-5** (Friday-Monday): Labor Day Break, No School
- September 7** (Wednesday): Back to School Night, Virtual

Principal's Coffee



Please join our administrative team in the Mantua library to spend some casual time together. This will be a great opportunity to meet some of our amazing community and for us to share a bit about ourselves and our vision for this year at Mantua.

Date and Time: Friday, 8/12, 9:30 - 10:30 AM

Location: Mantua Elementary Library

Welcome Back Teacher Breakfast

It's almost time to welcome back our teachers & staff with the PTA Welcome Back Breakfast!



Signup for super easy items such as paper plates, muffins, bagels, coffee creamer, etc. Anything is much appreciated. We'll be collecting yummy breakfast items:

- Monday 8/15 before 3 PM (non-perishable & refrigerated items)
- Tuesday 8/16 from 8-8:30 AM (fresh donuts, bagels, muffins, etc.)

We can also coordinate a Sunday drop-off if that makes it easier for you to donate! Use the link below to sign-up!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0548a8ac29a5fb6-teacher1>



Open House Folder Stuffing

Volunteers Needed! We have all heard the saying "Many hands make light work." This could not be more true, and that is why we need YOU! Please considering volunteering even just an hour of your time stuffing folders so they are ready for our very excited students to bring home during Open House on 8/18. Kids are welcome, and older kids are more than welcome to chip in a helping hand!

Date and Time: 8/17, 4-7 PM

Location: Mantua Elementary Cafeteria

Sign-Up Here to Volunteer:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044aa4a82ba2fd0-open1>

Open House

See the schedule below. Please only come to the time slot(s) that apply to your family:



- This event is the first opportunity for families to meet their teacher, drop off supplies, and see a bit of the school. When you're here during your time slot, be sure to access our additional resources available on site (i.e. creating accounts, visiting with the parent liaison)
- Classrooms and Teachers will only be available during the grade level specific times.
- Medications with appropriate forms can be submitted to the Health Room during Open House.
- Teachers will be notifying families in their classes by 4:00PM August 17th, via email!

9:00 - 9:30AM Kindergarten

9:45 - 10:15AM First Grade

10:30 - 11:00AM Second Grade

11:15 - 11:45AM Third Grade

12:00 - 12:30PM Fourth Grade

12:45 - 1:15PM Fifth Grade

1:30 - 2:00PM Sixth Grade

Popsicles with the Principal and New Family Meet and Greet

The Mantua PTA invites you to join us at the Mantua ES playground on Saturday, August 20th from 10am-11:30am for Popsicles with Principal Shannon and our new family Meet and Greet!

All new Mantua families, families with rising Kindergartners, new AAP families and current families are welcome to attend.

PTA members will be present to help answer all your questions about the upcoming school year.

The playground is in full sun, so don't forget sunscreen and cold drinks for you and your family. There will be no restroom access at the school so plan accordingly.

Please email welcome@mantuapta.org if you have any questions.



Mantua Drama Club Planning 2022-2023



We are excited to announce that Mantua Drama Club will once again partner with Julie Johnston's iContact to create a theater experience for our 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students!

We are thrilled that this year, we will be doing two musicals, Lion King in the Fall and Little Mermaid in the Spring. We can take up to 75 kids between the two shows. This means, all 6th graders who sign up will be able to be a part of ONE of the two shows, and we will have a lottery for all interested 4th and 5th graders to join ONE of the two shows. We will have a parent information meeting on August 31st via Schoology (details will be posted soon). Registration for all 4th, 5th and 6th graders will open on September 1st and close at midnight. Depending on the number of open spots after accounting for all registered 6th graders, we will then do a lottery for the 4th and 5th graders, which will be video-tapped and posted on September 2nd.

Once the lottery has been pulled, we will then host auditions on September 8th and 9th from 4-8pm. Your student will likely not need to be there for the full time, but we ask you reserve this time on your calendars (if your student cannot join the audition they will be a part of the ensemble cast). Rehearsals for both shows will be on Mondays and Wednesdays, directly after school until 5:30pm. Rehearsals for the Lion King will start on September 14th, and for the Little Mermaid on January 31st. We will allow students to give their preference of which of the two shows they would like to join, but we cannot make any guarantees.

We highly encourage parents of interested students to join the parent information meeting on August 31st. We will go through the schedule, lottery, audition process, etc in great detail and have time to answer all questions.

We look forward to an exciting year of Musical Theater at Mantua!



Join the PTA!

Please visit our webpage at MantuaPTA.org. Here is a direct link to join: <https://mantuapta.memberhub.com/store>

Dues are \$20 per family and get you discounts on PTA sponsored clubs. Our dues fully support our free programs so that every penny of our fundraisers goes right back into the classrooms. Follow us on Facebook to get the inside scoop on all our events and programs - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/MantuaPTA/> - Can't wait to get started!



Fall Enrichment Registration

Mantua PTA is pairing with Baroody Camps (formerly Enrichment Matters) to offer a wonderful selection of enrichment classes this Fall! Our schedule of classes will be finalized soon. Stay tuned!



- Registration will run from 8AM on 9/13 through midnight on 9/21
- Classes will run 10/3 - 12/8

Email enrichment@mantuapta.org with questions.



Mantua Spiritwear

Get ready for back to school with some Mantua Spiritwear!

<http://www.mantuaspiritwear.com/>

Join the Mantua Elementary PTA Facebook Page

Let's get social! Don't forget to join the Mantua Elementary PTA Facebook page! Not only is a great place to ask questions and connect with other families, we hope to keep it up to date with important events and dates throughout the year.



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MantuaPTA/?ref=share>

How to Submit an Announcement to the PTA News



Please [complete this form](#) to have a Mantua ES- or Mantua PTA-related announcement placed in the weekly Mantua PTA News, on our [Facebook page](#) and/or on [MantuaPTA.org](#).

The form guides you through all the pieces of information we need to put out complete announcements.

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