



# TALMADGE PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA)



## 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

### POWSITIVELY AMAZING: eNEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES

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### HAPPY NEW SCHOOL YEAR

The PTA is excited to welcome in the 2020-21 school year with all of you. It is a year like no other, but we know that the Talmadge community has what it takes to get through it....TOGETHER!

Who thought we would be in the middle of a pandemic, never mind having our children attend school virtually from home?! It is a whole new world for us all. Some words that come to mind when thinking about this new way of learning are: **patience**, **teamwork**, and **creativity**. There will be bumps in the road, but we are off to a great start, thanks to the dedication of Ms. Colon and her talented team.

The PTA is always here to help our families. We hope you will join us as we lift up our community.

Wishing you the best,

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### WELCOME MS. COLON!

The PTA sends a very warm and excited welcome to our new Principal, Ms. Shalimar Colon.

We are thrilled she is here to lead our school. The experience, insight, and dedication she brings with her will undoubtedly help us reignite that Talmadge enthusiasm.

Ms. Colon, welcome to our school community, filled with amazing students, staff and families. 😊

#### ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

Each time you attend a PTA meeting, your name goes into a drawing. In December, one (1) attendee will be chosen and receive a gift.

### FIRST PTA MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

7:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting – details TBD

YOUR TICKET TO A  
GREAT SCHOOL  
YEAR!

ADMIT ONE

### PTA MEMBERS...SO FAR

Jennifer Babineau

Mary Freeman

Shalonda Mabry

LET'S GET **YOUR** NAME ON THIS LIST TOO 😊

### PTA PLANS FOR 2020-21

The PTA historically hosted in-person events throughout the school year (e.g., BINGO, Movie Nights, cultural celebrations, Holiday Store). With logistics different this year, we will be flexible and adjust, like all of you are doing with distance learning. We will take some old ideas and digitize them - like Virtual BINGO. And we will have new events - like virtual art shows or dance parties. There are so many possibilities for the PTA to engage our Talmadge family virtually, and we are excited about it! We hope to “see” you!

### WE WISH OUR TEACHERS AND STAFF

### THE BEST FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

Thank you for everything that you do for our Talmadge community!