



# PETERSON PARENT PERIODICAL

**College Graduates. Community Leaders. Cultural Ambassadors.**

## Extra Fabric Needed!

Do you have extra fabric sitting around that you'd like to get rid of? If so, we will take it!

We are planning a super fun community art project for Unity Through the Arts and Sciences next month and need lots of fabric to make it happen! All colors, textures and sizes welcome (although it does need to be able to be torn into 2-3 inch wide strips, so no quilting squares, please.) Fabric scraps, old (clean) sheets, clothes with holes in them that you can't donate...anything that can be torn into strips is perfect for our secret awesome art project!

There is a cardboard box inside the main door (#9) where you can drop them off or send Emily Berman ([emilykberman@gmail.com](mailto:emilykberman@gmail.com)) a message and she can coordinate a pick up. We will take as little or as much as you have!

Many thanks!

## Update to Tardy Policy

Please note that starting second semester any student who has had 3 or more tardies per quarter will be issued make-up time which will take place on Fridays from 3:45-4:45. Please make sure students arrive on time every day to school. Thank You!

Good Evening Peterson Parents,

For this week's newsletter I'd like to continue with our "People of Peterson" series with Ms. Marti Hindaileh.

"I became a Peterson Parent in September of 1998. My husband and I both felt very strongly about public schools and we

knew that, with all of its diversity, Peterson was the one for us. My husband, being a Palestinian refugee, and me, a country girl from Michigan, liked that our kids would be known by their name rather than their description.

In 2004, I was hired as a clerk. I also volunteered in the library, tutored for reading, and served on the LSC. Throughout those years, all three of my children graduated from Peterson.

In my position, I've learned so much about people and being a better person. I always want to make sure people know they've been heard. Even if I'm unable to help them, I still want them to feel like they are a person of worth. Over the years, I've had former parents and students come up to hug or greet me, and tell me how much they appreciated something I did that I don't even remember doing! It reminds me to keep listening to everyone that walks in Peterson.

Peterson is a family. We support each other regardless of language, or ethnicity, or background. What I'm most proud of is that the children, family, and staff of Peterson have names, rather than just descriptions."

## Good Pizza for a Great Cause

Please join the Friends of Peterson on Tuesday, February 7th for our fundraiser at MOD Pizza at 5530 West Touhy Ave, Skokie IL. A flyer will be sent home with students on Monday with additional details. Please bring the flyer with you and MOD will donate 20% of your bill to support Peterson!





## Mark your Calendar

- Student and Teacher Window for My Voice My School Survey Open Until March 24th
- Quarter 2 Ends -- February 2nd
- **NO SCHOOL-Staff Furlough Day -- February 3rd**
- Raven Theater Teaching in Rooms 111, 114, 115 & 122 -- February 6th
- PAC Meeting *Featuring the Chicago Commission on Human Relations (Bullying/Cyberbullying)* Tuesday February 7th, 8:45-9:45am
- Friends of Peterson MOD Fundraiser--February 7th
- Picture Re-Take Day --February 7th
- LSC Meeting--February 8th, 6pm
- Quarter 2 Report Card Distribution (*Report Cards Sent Home*)--February 10th
- Sexual Health Education for Grades 5,6,7,8--February 10th
- Raven Theater Teaching in Rooms 111, 114, 115 & 122 -- February 13th
- PTA Meeting -- February 14th, 8:45 am
- NAEP Testing -- February 15th
- **NO afterHours Due to Staff Professional Development (Morning sessions will meet) -- February 15th**
- **NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day -- February 20th**
- Sexual Health Education for Grades 5,6,7,8--February 21st
- Raven Theater Teaching in Rooms 111, 114, 115 & 122 -- February 21st

## Unity Through the Arts & Sciences

Get ready for Unity Through the Arts & Sciences 2017 on Friday February 24th 5:30-7:30p! This FREE event for Peterson students, families and the community has something for everyone. Activities include an art gallery of Peterson Student art, student-led science activities, aerial dance will perform, community art, "Meet the Bot" with the Peterson robotics team, make & take art and more! Food sales to benefit the 8th grade class. Volunteers needed: if you're willing to help please contact Megan Trinter at [Megantrinter@gmail.com](mailto:Megantrinter@gmail.com).

## Retake Picture Day is on: Tuesday, February 7, 2017

ABSENTEE & NEW STUDENTS: Please bring your prepaid order envelope to the camera on Picture Day with money enclosed. If you need an order envelope, they are available in the main office. If you are ordering online, enter the school code ending in 02 not 01.

RETAKE STUDENTS: If you are unhappy with your original photo and would like a retake, please bring the original pictures to the camera on retake day. We will print your original order with the new image. Be aware that the retake photo REPLACES the original image.

Forget to Order the Original Photo? Go to our website and click on the Ticket Code button. Enter your ticket Code (located on order form or call)

[www.vangoghphoto.com](http://www.vangoghphoto.com)

## Girls on the Run!

Girls on the Run is so much fun! The GOTR program is designed to empower girls in grades 3-5 to recognize their inner strength through a curriculum that inspires, instructs and trains. Positive emotional, social, mental and physical development are stressed through a curriculum of teaching and sport. This is a 10-week program that ends with participation in a lakefront 5K



## Learn More About Ways to Prevent Bullying and Cyberbullying

The PAC has invited the Chicago Commission on Human Relations for a special presentation on bullying and cyberbullying. Would you like to learn more about what bullying is and how to respond to it? Come and learn from the Chicago Commission and hear from Peterson administrators about the school's response to bullying as well. A free breakfast will be served. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 2-7-17 morning at 8:45 a.m. in the Cafeteria!