



PTA THURSDAY FOLDER

The Ultimate October Extravaganza, Volunteer Opportunities, Blessings In A Backpack Packers Needed, and MORE!

EVENTS

The Ultimate October Extravaganza!! Pumpkin Patch, MVCS PTA Member Meeting, and MVCS Hispanic Heritage Month Showcase | Friday, 10/18

Due to the unique scheduling challenges in October, we have planned a blockbuster afternoon and evening for everyone on Friday, October 18th. The afternoon kicks off with the fall favorite Pumpkin Patch, featuring carnival games and pumpkins for sale. Stick around for food and the PTA Meeting, directly followed by the MVCS Hispanic Heritage Month Fiesta. Stay tuned for more details coming next week!

Pumpkin Patch, 3 PM, MVCS Main Playground
MVCS PTA Meeting, 6 PM, MVCS Cafeteria
MVCS Hispanic Heritage Month Fiesta, 6:30 PM, MVCS

LOOKING Ahead to October, Mark Your Calendars!

10/2 and 10/3- No School

10/4- Parent-Teacher Conferences (No School)

10/17- Coffee with the Principal "Preparing for Parent Teacher Conferences," 8:15 AM, MVCS Cafeteria

10/26- Marine Corps Marathon Fun Run

VOLUNTEER REQUESTS

MVCS Teacher Wish Lists

The MVCS community has been so generous with helping fulfill teacher wish lists, thank you! The non-classroom teacher lists (especially City Wide program teachers, Encore, and Specialists) are often overlooked and would benefit from additional support, if you are able to make a donation. [MVCS Staff Wishlists](#)

Three More Room Parent Volunteers Needed

The PTA Teacher Appreciation Committee is also coordinating room parent volunteers to assist in the classroom throughout the year. Right now, we just need three more room parent volunteers: Ms. Gomez (1st grade), Mr. Stewart (5th grade), and Ms. Ferrar (5th). If you can't help every week, but can help on a regular schedule, please indicate so. Hopefully another parent can split it with you! AND: You don't have to volunteer for just your child's classroom. Teachers appreciate the help no matter what! [MVCS Room Parent Requests](#)

Annual MVCS Pumpkin Patch

We are looking for volunteers to help plan our Annual Pumpkin Patch on Friday, October 18th. We are seeking leads for organizing and setup, activity tables, pumpkin and bake sales. If interested, please email mvcspta@gmail.com.

Blessings In a Backpack Bag Packers

We are ready to kick off this year's Blessings in a Backpack (BIAB) program and we're looking for your support! BIAB is a program designed to supply kids with food for the weekend. With the very generous support of the PTA, parents, and neighbors, MVCS's BIAB program sends home food with 125 of our students every week.

We are holding weekly packing sessions to include fresh fruit and/or vegetables in the bags. We need volunteers to help pack and organize bags (usually) on Wednesday mornings from 11-11:45 AM at MVCS. Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48AFA72FABF85-51305689-20242025>. Please email MVCSBIAB@gmail.com with questions. Not available to volunteer on Wednesdays? Consider making a monetary donation to help purchase food through this link: <https://mvcs.givebacks.com/store/items/119181>

GENERAL NEWS

Free English Classes Sponsored by the MVCS PTA and Padres Activos

Come and learn English in a relaxed and friendly environment. Located at Casa Chirligaua, these free English classes are held weekly on Thursdays from 10 AM – 12 PM, beginning September 19. Small children are welcome. To register, please call Sra. Rosa Landeros (MVCS Family Liaison) at 703-706-4460.

MVCS Spirit Wear for Sale

MVCS spirit wear is available! Paper order forms are coming home soon, but you can order online now at mvcs.memberhub.com. T-shirts, hoodies, magnets and more are available for adults and kids. Orders will be delivered in late October.

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- Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/mvcspta>
- Follow and tag us on Instagram: MVCS PTA / #mvcspta
- Follow us on Twitter: @MVCSPTA

HELPFUL LINKS

- ACPS Back to School Guide & FAQs: <https://www.acps.k12.va.us/families/back-to-school-guide>
- ACPS Express: <https://www.acpsk12.org/news/>
- MVCS General FAQs: <https://www.acps.k12.va.us/domain/1323>

Participation in all PTA events and activities is completely voluntary.