



## Atkinson Elementary PTA Newsletter

April 7, 2021

Hello Atkinson Families!

We hope that everyone is adjusting to the changes around hybrid and comprehensive distance learning. If there is anything you need or think PTA could help with, please let us know. Email [president@atkinsonpta.org](mailto:president@atkinsonpta.org) to reach out.

### PTA Updates

Get ready for this year's [Atkinson Pajama Party Auction!](#)

- We can't be together but we can still come together and raise funds for Atkinson. There are some awesome items to bid on this year including beach house getaways, Disneyland tickets, whiskey tastings, and our class projects from last year. This is our largest fundraiser of the year and supports all of our activities.
- **Save the date for April 30-May 1st!** Auction catalog opens April 15th to browse!
- The **Golden Ticket Raffle** opens on April 22nd and runs through April 29. Only 100 of these \$50 tickets will be sold and if you win, you get to pick any item from our auction catalog!
- We are SO thankful for our generous sponsors: Cristen Lincoln at Living Room Realty, Portland Nursery, Parkside Chiropractic, Chris Door at RE/Max Equity Group, Sheryl Walsh, and Anne Storrs of The Art Garage.

Our emergency preparedness committee is continuing to support our families in need with food boxes. Donations can be dropped off every week at book exchange.

### Upcoming Events

**April 13 PTA Meeting, 6:30-8pm, [ZOOM LINK](#)**

Representative Rob Nosse will be joining for the first 30 minutes of the meeting. We'll also be looking at next year's budget and asking some important questions about how much and where PTA spends money, [Agenda](#)

**April 20 Amigos Meeting, 6:30-8pm, [ZOOM LINK](#)**

**April 16 PTA Coffee Chat, 9:30-10:30am, [ZOOM LINK](#)**

**April 21 Kindergarten Connect, 6:30-7:30pm**

**April 22-April 29 Auction Golden Ticket Raffle**

**April 30-May 1st [Atkinson Virtual Auction](#)**

**May 2nd-May 8th Teacher Appreciation Week**

### School Resources

We are looking for a BIPOC individual to represent the neighborhood program on the **SE boundary guiding coalition**. We expect work to start in May. If you are interested or know someone that is, please reach out to [president@atkinsonpta.org](mailto:president@atkinsonpta.org).

To learn more about our **Connect to Kindergarten** resources, supports and events, please watch our [Welcome to Kindergarten video](#). To submit Kindergarten questions and join our PPS Kindergarten mailing list, please complete this short survey: [Kindergarten Interest Survey](#). Our Atkinson teachers are putting together several events for incoming students.

Student oriented kinder events

- Wednesday, 4/21 from 6:30pm to 7:30pm
- Saturday, 5/8 from 10:00am to 11:00am
- Friday, 5/21 from 2:00pm to 3:00pm

For DLI parents only

- Thursday, 5/20 from 6:30pm to 7:30pm

**Anti-Racism Resources**

**Social Justice Uprising Actions WE CAN ALL DO: Donate. Educate. Read. Follow. Listen. Support.** Multnomah County is experiencing a housing crisis. African American adults are the fastest growing population of houseless persons in Portland. This week, we focus on actions you can do to help our houseless communities.

**Donate** to support [Janus Youth](#) programs, the preeminent service supporting at-risk and houseless youth in our community.

**Read** about the multi-county effort to address houselessness in our area called [Home for Everyone](#).

**Support** our houseless community by becoming a [meal provider](#) with Transition Projects. You can drop sack lunches off at local shelters or team up to provide a hot dinner.

Thank you,

Harmony Quiroz & Martha Almendarez Langland  
Co-Presidents, Atkinson PTA



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**Ways to Support PTA**

- Renew your membership today for the 2020-2021 year. [Online Membership Form](#)
- Businesses you may be using by simply linking us to your AmazonSmile and Fred Meyer accounts. How-to details here: <https://www.atkinsonelementarypta.org/fundraising/>

- Donate directly to the Atkinson Elementary PTA general fund set up to sustain projects, programs and events for our Atkinson kids you can find us here:  
<http://www.atkinsonelementarypta.org/donate/>

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