

The Sabin Sentinel



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Dear Sabin Families,

I want to thank you for sending us such kind, caring, and compassionate children. There is not a day that goes by that kind deeds, words or feelings are expressed by our staff, students and families. A highlight of my work has been seeing our Sabin students standing up for what's right, challenging an injustice and the courage many of them show in standing up for what they believe is right and fair. What an awesome opportunity we have to encourage our young people to care about each other and the world around them! I am also proud to be part of a school community that serve each other and model the kindness and caring that make our school a little bit brighter. Often visitors to our school remark about the warmth and positive energy they feel when they visit our school.

It is no surprise to me that when we ask you for support you answer the call time and time again. So many of you are ready and willing to roll up your sleeves, offer a donation large



or small or to help families who experiencing hardship. I have seen your willingness to make sacrifices to help others. I have been enriched by how much your caring enriches our school community. I can't think of a more caring place to be than at Sabin. Thank you for nurturing this attribute in your children and in our school!



Back-To-School: Volunteers Needed!

A few helping hands needed for Sabin's Back-to-School Bash! Help make this year's Back-to-School night a big success by volunteering to help with setup, food service and/or clean-up. Sign up for shifts via the link below—there will still be time to visit your classrooms before or after your shift. Thank you!! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CA4AE2EABF85-back

IB Corner

Students in grades 3 and above receive Spanish as one of their specials. Our ability to offer these additional specials is because we are an IB World School. Students in K through 2nd grade receive an additional music or dance class each week. In Spanish, students have been learning how to say simple sentences. One of the programs we are using to teach Spanish is called AIM language learning.

The AIM program is unique because it uses gestures to accelerate learning. Students learn the most commonly used words first and learn to speak in sentences from the very first lesson. If you are interested in learning more about the AIM method, here is an introductory video about the program. https://www.aimlanguagelearning.com/ This method is used widely in IB schools throughout United States, Canada and Europe.

Equity at Sabin

We've had so many lovely interactions around school with folks this year asking how you can support equity work at Sabin. Here is an update on some equity happenings, as well as some concrete ways we can use YOUR help!

As Sabin's fundraising models shift (no auction this year), the equity team has been focused on helping to make all our events community focused and accessible to all. There will still be some aspect of fundraising involved, but our big events won't exclude people based on income levels as they have in the past. We are focused on building community this year. With this in mind, please consider signing up to help at Back to School Night this Wednesday, September 26. We will need help setting up tables and serving food. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CA4AE2EABF85-back Also, please be ready to help out in making Run for Sabin an inclusive, fun event for all our kiddos.

Finally, we are planning a Pie Fundraiser—via Willamette Valley Pie Company—to support equity initiatives at Sabin. These initiatives will include additional hours for Restorative Justice Coordinator Amber Boydston, intervention supports, etc. It is a school-wide fundraiser and we are hoping to raise



\$5000 our first year. You'll get a taste of this delicious fundraiser at Back-to-School night! The team will be connecting with kids in classrooms late this week to distribute forms. Between October 1–12 please help your kiddos SELL delicious, frozen, ready-to-bake PIES, cobbler, and frozen fruit to everyone you know. Look for your child's order form by Monday, October 1. Frozen pies will arrive October 30-just in time for special fall and winter holidays!

To connect with the Sabin Equity team and help with this fundraiser, email sabinequitygroup@gmail.com.

Thank you for supporting equity at Sabin! Meghan Whitaker, Maria Cordero, & Erin Wallace



Counselor's Corner

The school year is in full swing and feels like the routine is settling in for many of us. It has been wonderful to connect with your beautiful children this first month of school.

Next week your students will be participating in "Start with Hello" week. This is a prevention program that teaches children how to be more socially inclusive and connected to each other. The week will involve students, staff and families to take steps and be aware throughout the day of how to be inclusive and connected.

Here is a brief layout of the themes of the day:



Monday 9/24/18	Tuesday 9/25/18	Wednesday 9/26/18	Thursday 9/27/18	Friday 9/28/18
SAY HELLO TO 3 NEW FRIENDS	RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS DAY	MIX IT UP AT LUNCH DAY	ALL THE WAYS TO SAY HELLO	KINDNESS CHAINS
START WITH Hello	RANDOM ALEGO ALPONESS	(BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT 5-7pm)		START A CHAIN REACTION Theogra will rever know how far a files be and the standard scan go." American your last

You can help create a culture of inclusion, kindness, and connectedness at Sabin!



The themes and activities have been created to be developmentally appropriate for each grade level. Please check in with your students about how "Start with Hello" week is going. You can also look for signs around the school at Back to School night that show your children's commitment to be inclusive, reach out, and connect with others.

Here is a website with more information: https://www.sandyhookpromise.org/startwithhelloweek. Again, please contact me with any questions.

With care,

Erika Moller



Scholastic Book Fair

Scholastic Book Fair is happening this week every day after school from 3–4 p.m. in the Library. 50 percent of all proceeds will fund new books for classrooms and the library.



Lost and Found



When you're at Back-to-School Night, make sure you check the Lost and Found area on the first floor next to the stairwell around the corner from Mrs. Cooper's room. Jackets and sweatshirts are especially getting left behind during this season of cool mornings and warmer days. Coats, lunch boxes, water bottles, and other items are there, ready to be returned to their owners! Items not collected are washed and bundled up to be periodically donated to the PTA Clothing Center. If you're interested in helping with the Lost and Found, please

contact contact caseycpdx@gmail.com. Thank you!



2018–2019 PTA Meeting Schedule

Day	Time	Event	
Wednesday, October 3rd 6:30-8		Who, what, when, where, and why at Sabin School. Plus COOKIES and some brief PTA housekeeping.	
Thursday, November 8th	3:30-5 p.m.	Learn from our Sabin teachers	
	5 p.m.	PTA Board Meeting	
Wednesday, December 5th	5-6:30 p.m.	Social (Potluck!)	
Thursday, January 3rd	5:30 p.m.	PTA Board Meeting	
	6:30-8 p.m.	What the heck is IB?	
Wednesday, February 6th 5-6:30 p		Adult noodle ball in the main gym - Bring your stretchy pants, game face, and a sense of humor!	
Thursday, March 7th	5:30 p.m.	PTA Board Meeting	
	6:30-8 p.m.	Race & Privilege in Your School and Community	
Wednesday, April 3rd	9-10 a.m.	Morning Social (Bake Off!)	
Thursday, May 2nd	5:30 p.m.	PTA Board Meeting	
	6:30-8 p.m.	PTA Elections and What's Happening Next Year?	

School Picture Day

School picture day is Friday, September 28. Volunteers are needed. Thanks for your help! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0848aea92da20-school. Ms. Lori has plenty of picture vouchers in the office for anyone who needs them.

