



YORK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 5201 BROOKHAVEN DRIVE, RALEIGH NC 27612

Monthly Newsletter

April 2019

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A Message from Our President....

Last month we wrapped up Winter with a bang! Bulldog Bonanza was a success raising a whopping **\$12,385!** Way to go YES community! Because of your support, ALL York students are able to benefit from additional learning experiences. Thank you to everyone who helped make this fundraiser a success.

We are all relieved that Spring Break is almost here, but first we have a very special event! This Friday, you can look forward to the infamous **STEM Expo**. Ms. O has worked with teachers, students, Rick Brown and the STEM committee to make this event a proud moment for the YES community. Come see what your child has been up to this quarter and enjoy FUN hands-on activities for family members of all ages!

Research shows that parent volunteers make a significant difference in school atmosphere and the success rate of students. During the entire month of April, PTA is partnering with York Teachers in hosting a volunteer drive. The goal is to encourage parent involvement in both the classroom and at home. Please consider volunteering- opportunities are now available on Member Hub in the Everyone Hub (Click sign ups). As a reminder, you must be registered with WCPSS to volunteer in the classroom. You can register any time during school hours in the Media center.

Lastly, on Saturday April 27, PTA will be hosting a **YES To You** event at the Lake Lynn playground. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to connect with teachers and other York families. Spanish translators will be in attendance. Be on the lookout for additional information.

Sincerely,

Melissa Smith, 2018-2019 York PTA President



Toni Austin
PTA Volunteer

The PTA would like to recognize Toni Austin for all her support of York Elementary! Toni volunteers her time as a room mom in her daughter's class- helping plan, organize, and implement classroom celebrations. She is always proactively reaching out to see where she can help – whether that's with her time or fulfilling class supply needs. Even though this is her first year at York, Toni also serves the school on two PTA committees- fundraising and social. The PTA can always count on her to help execute fundraisers and social events that make YES community so special. Her family's company, Bloomsbury Landscaping, is also a sponsor of York Elementary. Thank you for all that you do, Toni!

Calendar of Events

- April 5- STEM Expo- 5:30 - 7:30pm
- April 9- PBIS Assembly- 9:30 2nd & 3rd Grades
 - 10:15 4th & 5th Grades
 - 11:00 Pre-K & 1st Grade
- April 10- Lifetouch Spring Picture Day
- April 11- PTA Board Meeting- 4:30pm
- April 12- Staff Birthday Lunch (hosted by Kindergarten)
- April 15-19- Spring Break (No school)
- April 22- WCPSS Teacher Work Day (No School)
- April 24- School Tour- 10:00am
 - Spirit Night (Gonza's)
- May 2- Leadership/SIT Meeting- 8:00am
- May 3- York Spring Carnival & Silent Auction**
- May 6-10- Teacher Appreciation Week

****York 50/50 Raffle****

Winner will split money raised with York PTA
Previous winners walked away with \$3,000+!
Most tickets sold wins custom Nike shoes!
Dick's GCs to the 2nd and 3rd place winners!

Points of Bulldog Pride

- ❖ Bulldog Bonanza raised **\$12,385** to support grade-level learning experiences for all York students!
- ❖ Congratulations to the students representing York at WCPSS First in Fitness on March 13!
- ❖ The York Spring Chorus has been rehearsing hard all winter and did an amazing job performing in the Raleigh Fine Arts Elementary Choral Festival at Meymandi Hall on March 27. Way to go!

How You Can Help York

- ✓ Keep saving your Box Top labels for collection May 6-20! Be on the lookout for more information soon.
- ✓ Pre-order a York t-shirt by **April 12**. Look for the order form in Tuesday folders.
- ✓ Sign up for one of the many volunteer opportunities during the April Volunteer Drive! Go to the Everyone Member Hub and click on Sign-ups!
- ✓ Complete your 2019-2020 Willingness to Serve Form (sent in Tuesday folders). For questions about available volunteer opportunities, please contact Sharaka Bert (Sharaka_bert@yahoo.com).