

Words of Wisdom



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PTA General Association

PTA's first General Association Meeting of the year will be Thursday, September 12 just after 6pm (following the 1st/2nd grade open house). Parents with students in all grades are encouraged to join us. We will have our no texting or talking while driving pledge board out for you to sign and free car magnets! We will also briefly discuss the exciting year ahead!

Loretto Family Night at Zaxby's



Loretto's first family night for the school year will take place on **Tuesday, September 10th** from **5:00pm to 8:00pm** at Zaxby's on San Jose Blvd and Marbon Road.

Please print the flyer on page 6 and bring to Zaxby's.

No Texting When Driving Pledge

In an effort to improve the safety of our children, the PTA is asking that parents consider taking a pledge and make a commitment not to talk and text while driving, especially around the school. When you take the pledge you will receive a car magnet, stating that you have made this promise and also to remind other drivers of the dangers of phone usage while driving. Did you know that engaging in visual-manual subtasks (such as reaching for a phone, dialing and texting) associated with the use of hand-held phones and other portable devices increased the risk of getting into a crash by three times (Distraction.gov)?

Loretto PTA would like to thank Jason Jerris of Json Technologies, Inc. for designing our magnet.
www.JSONcreative.com 904-755-6331



Stay Connected with the Loretto PTA

<http://lorettopta.weebly.com/index.html>

You can also find us on [Facebook!](#)

Parking Lot Safety

Please observe all traffic signs and rules when driving on and around campus. Children are NEVER to be dropped off anywhere other than the designated drop off circles. Please remember that the driveway that encircles the school is a "No Cell Phone" zone and that the speed limit on campus is an extra slow 5 mph. Thanks for helping keep our children safe!

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PTA Business Partners

Zaxby's <http://www.zaxbys.com/FL/12301SanJoseBlvd-Mandarin.aspx>
 Red Elephant <http://www.redelephantpizza.com>
 Barnes and Noble <http://www.barnesandnoble.com/>
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 First Watch <http://www.firstwatch.com/>
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 Main Street Haircuts <http://www.mainstreethaircuts.com>
 Nemetz Dental <http://www.nemetzdental.com/>
 Newk's Eatery <http://newks.com/>
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 Seeking Sitters <https://www.seekingsitters.com>
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Mark your Calendars

- September 2nd, Monday
School Closed
- September 5th, Monday
Adult Only Open House -
Kindergarten 5pm-6pm
- September 10th, Tuesday
PTA Family Night at Zaxby's
5-8pm
- September 11th, Wednesday
Early Dismissal 5pm-6pm
- September 12th, Thursday
Adult Only Open House - 1st &
2nd Grade 5pm-6pm (PTA
General Association Meeting
immediately following.
- September 19th, Thursday
Adult Only Open House - 3rd &
4th Grade 5pm-6pm
- September 26th, Monday
Adult Only Open House - 5th
Grade 5pm-6pm

Loretto Spirit T-shirt Winners

Congratulations to Everett S. in Ms. Gibson's class, Anastaija M. in Ms. Onur's class and Christian S. in Mrs. Riley's class! You've each won a Loretto Elementary Spirit T-shirt! Please email your size information and color preference (gold or navy) to LorettoPTAMembers@gmail.com. Want a chance to win? Make sure to turn in your Loretto PTA membership application next week. Lost your application? More are available in the office or just ask your child's teacher to send one home with him or her.

Box Tops News

I hope everyone has had a great summer. It is that time of year again to start turning in all your Box Tops and Campbell's soup labels. Last year our school earned \$4,977.39 for submitting Box Tops. I hope to beat that number this year. Our first submission date will be November 1st so I'm asking for all Box Tops to be turned in to your child's teacher by October 21st. Please place all Box Tops and labels in a baggy and include your child and teacher's name on the baggy. You can also turn them in by the mini auditorium in the Box Top box. Please feel free to email me with any questions.

Rachael Ledesma
ledesmajax@att.net



Boy Scouts

If you are interested in joining the Boy Scouts please contact Rich at 904-864-6775 or Jodi at 904-838-1840.



Give with Target

"Go to Givewith.Target.com until September 21 and vote for Loretto. Our school could win money!"

Girl Scouts

Girl Scouts Invite YOU to join the fun!

At Girl Scouts, girls have new experiences that inspire them to look forward to what they're going to do today, tomorrow—and ten years from now—by helping them realize that they can be anything they want to be. For the girl in your life, a year with us will be filled with new friends, tons of fun, and more "wow" moments than she's ever imagined. The kind of moments she just can't wait to tell you about. It all starts with one meeting, and a few volunteers who believe in the power of every girl.

Girl Scouts is open to all girls ages 5-17 and all adults over 18. The annual registration fee is \$15. Find out what local Girl Scouts are doing, sign up and join the fun! Call toll-free 877-764-5237 or visit girlscouts-gateway.org today!

The Guidance Corner

Welcome students and parents – new and returning! Mrs. Allen is the School Counselor this year. If you have any questions, please call 260-5800 ext. 2117.

COMMON CORE: Parent Roadmaps to the Common Core Standards – English Language Arts and Math.

You may have heard your child's teacher talk about Common Core State Standards. The common core standards are clear, consistent expectations of what students should be learning in each grade level in order to be prepared for college and beyond. This roadmap provides guidance to parents about what their children will be learning and how they can support their learning in grades

K – 8. If you would like more information about the expectations for each grade level, log on to <http://www.cgcs.org/Domain/36> (language arts) and <http://www.cgcs.org/Page/244> (math)

Mrs. Allen

PTA Membership

Don't forget!

Be sure to return your
PTA Membership
to your child's teacher.

Please Email newsletter submissions to:
Becky Geoghagan at AshBeDev@comcast.net
Due Date is each Tuesday by 5:00pm



AR Store Donations

The AR store needs your gently used books (1st - 5th grade appropriate) and video games rated E (all systems) for the last AR store of the year. If you have any items you would like to donate, a collection bin is located in the library for drop offs. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Media Center



The media center **n e e d s** volunteer. If you are interested please contact Mr. Cramer: cramerj@duvalschools.org

Art Volunteer

Ms. Leon would love your help in the art room any day beginning at 2:15 pm. Please contact Ms. Leon if you are interested: leonn@duvalschools.org



Campus Watch

Help Wanted

Who?

Parents, friends, and family of Loretto students.

What?

To provide adult presence at specific areas of campus during arrival and dismissal times. Observe and report unusual or unsafe activity to office.

When?

8:00 - 8:30 a.m. and 2:40 -3:10 p.m. (one hour earlier on early release days)

Where?

In front of school; In back of the school by the portables; In the back field near the adjacent neighborhood.

Why?

To ensure that our school and students are safe!

To sign up go <http://www2.mysignup.com/cgi-bin/view.cgi?lorettocampuswatch> or contact Ann Marie Shrader at annmarieshrader@yahoo.com or LorettoSafety@yahoo.com

INCENTIVES!

For your participation you will be eligible to win a gift card! Drawings will be announced! The more you volunteer... the more chances you have to win! Volunteers will be provided refreshments during the morning on days that will be announced.

Calling all Volunteers

Art Appreciation



Volunteer Information

From DCPS:

To ensure the safety of our students, volunteers must complete an application and undergo a criminal background screening, free of charge, conducted by our department. Designated school staff will verify your clearance to volunteer at the school using our online process. DCPS is no longer using volunteer cards as a proof of clearance.

To become a volunteer click here:

[Apply to be a volunteer online](#)

To All Art Appreciation Volunteers:

The Art Appreciation Program can take as little as 30 minutes biweekly. You do not need a working knowledge of Art. The kids do most of the talking and you just open their minds to the Art prints in front of them. Everything is done for you. If you would like to volunteer for this fun-filled program please sign up at Orientation. **A sign-up sheet has been provided.** Also, notify your child's teacher on the first day of school you are interested in volunteering for the program. Once you have been selected by the teacher for your classroom an orientation packet will be sent to your classroom and you will receive an email from me about training opportunities if needed. Look in the Loretto newsletter for updates about the Art Appreciation program and training sessions. If you have any question or concerns about the program. My email is:

Lorettopicturelady@Gmail.com

Crystal Rogers

Where in the World

Parents, if you are searching for some way to be involved with your child's school but you don't have a lot of time, then look no further. Become a Where in the World volunteer. Most classes participate by completing a geography worksheet and our only responsibility is grading those papers. We meet as a group once a month during the school day, but if you aren't available then, you can grade a class at home. If you are interested please contact Gina Lacey at markandgina96@gmail.com.

Help Wanted - Sunshine Math!

Would you like to teach math to your child's class once a week? Talk with your teacher about being the class Sunshine Math volunteer! Volunteers spend about 30 minutes a week in the classroom reviewing math worksheets distributed by the teacher, and then keep score of "stars" earned by each student.

Sunshine Math is a great way to be involved and get to know the students in your child's class. Watch for program orientation information coming soon. Feel free to contact Barb Kransi at kra6344@bellsouth.net or 904-234-6769 if you have questions or want more information.

Important Reminder for Volunteers

Volunteers, don't forget to log any hours spent volunteering at school in the volunteer log located in the main office. Keeping track of the hours spent documents our parent involvement. These hours spent represent the amount of work that could not have been completed with out you. Hours spent at home completing tasks for teachers should also be logged.

The school can win an award for the most parent involvement. Lets win that award!

Volunteers help make Loretto a great school!

Thank You



Loretto PTA Membership Campaign

I've shared with you why your PTA membership benefits your child, Loretto Elementary School and Duval Public Schools, but did you know that your Loretto PTA membership can save you money? Being a member of the Loretto PTA entitles you to savings offered exclusively to our PTA members. Let me tell you how the savings work...first, when you receive your membership card (if you've already joined, your child will be bringing it home next week), log on to www.PTA.org/activate or call 1(800) 307-4782 to activate your Loretto PTA card. When you activate your card, you will be eligible to receive 10% off school supplies and 25% off copy and print purchases at Staples! Then get ready to save even more...

Are you a sports fan? Your Loretto PTA membership can help you save big bucks! Loretto PTA members can purchase tickets to the Jacksonville Jaguars versus the Buffalo Bills game on December 15th at a special price. Visit www.DCCPTA.org to order your tickets. During the month of April, Latitude 30 is offering free bowling shoes (up to six pairs) with the purchase of a bowling lane OR a \$5 game card for every paid adult entrée when you show your PTA card. In the spring (date to be announced later), PTA members can enjoy discounted tickets to PTA Night with the Jacksonville Suns when you show your membership card.

Need something fun to do on the weekend? Your PTA membership can help! From September 7-9, PTA members who visit MOSH receive \$5 adult admission and \$5 admission per child accompanying an adult with a PTA card. On those days you will also receive 15% off a MOSH membership and 15% off at the MOSH store when you show your membership card. Join the Duval County Council of PTAs on Sunday, November 3rd for a day of free admission to Tree Hill Nature Center. You must reserve your spot by visiting www.dccpta.org. Also on November 3rd, get 10% off a Tree Hill membership when you show your PTA membership card. During the month of January, PTA members can visit the Jacksonville Zoo for 50% off the general admission price with their PTA card.

Does your card need a tune up? Are you hungry? Your PTA membership card can save you money again! During the month of October, receive 10% off any repair at RPM Automotive location. Throughout the year, show your PTA card to earn 2-5% of the total repair cost for Loretto Elementary at any RPM Automotive location. Tropical Smoothie Café offers a 15% discount all year long when you show your Loretto PTA membership card at checkout. Pizza Palace offers a 10% discount all year long when you show your PTA card. Sweet Frog Premium Frozen Yogurt locations at the Town Center, Jacksonville Beach, Deerwood, Riverside, and Lakewood offer a 15% discount all year long when you show your PTA membership card at checkout.

For more information about these and other benefits, check out the Duval County Council of PTAs website, at www.DCCPTA.org.

Thank you for supporting your Loretto PTA!

Angela Boyd, Membership VP

LorettoPTAMembers@gmail.com

Loretto PTA 2013-2014, New and Returning Members (as of 08/23/13)

Mrs. Beltz, Mrs. Tarabishi, Ms. Cramer, Ms. Chojn, Jennifer and Jason Burgess, Traci Golden, Patrick and Sara Phillips, Irene Powell, Elizabeth Landowski, Glenda Dean, Edgar and Margery Macklin, Olivia Cadet, Maki and Robert Manning, Jessica Martinez, Satina Hearman, Darshen Smith, Jess Cook, Jon Davies, Mandy and Mark Janisch, Kimberly Limer, Jamie Kirchert, Nancy Greer, Smita Huilgol, Brandy Fleury, Shica Jones, Shannon McGinty, Donald and Julie Bunk, Alma Rangel, Amanda and Rory Calhoun, Susan Lewis, Sonja France, Karen Peterson, Debbi Gentry, Bob and Katie Garst, Lindsay Hipp, Andy Hipp, Laura Brodehl, Lisa Adams, Anne Szczesniok, Ashley Adams, Maria Faunce, Mack Patel, Maya Patel, Vanessa Gould, Lynn and Sean Hulbert, Christie Leppert, Alicia Freay, Awes Karama, Jackson Holland, Sally Davis, Jaelyn Olwin, Jason and Xavier Hunter, Chris and Dawn Kent, Silke Prior, Gisela Prior, Julius David, Amy Quinn, Erdie Kraja, Kelle Hays, Nicole Rubalcare, Amanda Hollan, Erica Hancock, Tori and Jimmy Ashcraft, Jennifer White, Sherri Killough, Anitha Kumar, Andrea Willison, Lisa Winslow, Catherine Adams, Jocelyn Gonzalez, Amanda Hammock, Kate Vallas, Sonja Antonovic-Curcic, Srecko Curcic, Joan Bush, Rebecca Daly, Ron and Annetta Speicher, Amy Whitaker, Miriam Torres, Angela Allen, Samantha Carter, Lisa Hone, Kyra Koifer, Amy Quinn, Misty and Stephen Adamczyk, Morgan Munson, Jessica Glenn, Jaqueline Whitaker, Panajot Bitro, Christen Canamare, Loutrenda Davis-Crosby, Arijana, Ibrahimbegoric, Vanessa Walker, Anthony Friscia, Meena Friscia, Noel and Marcia McKetty, Kaloni McMin, Brittany Rollins, Danielle Carwell, Meredith Norlander, Honey Norlander, Jessica Jones, Anna Pavlicek, Natalie Gilde Leon, Edward, Merhley, Vanessa Merz, Stacy Hynes, Thomas P. Thomas, Lincy Thomas, Karen Brown, Yuri Turovsky, Alexandra Stolyarsky, Geisi Isufi, Valerie Seabrook, Jodi Brandi, Kristin Conrad, Mike and Kelly Kennedy, Heather Haynes, Gene Fountain, Nancy Fountain, Claudia Dureus, Don Nelson, Bill Canamare, Michael Gabriel, Angie Fliess, Abigail Krug, Patty Santiago, Christine Smigaj, Eva and Andreas Wagnes, Lori Watkins, Randy and Mary Jo Richards, Danielle Johnson, Andrew France, John and Maryanne Bush, Shannon Bishop, Michael and Toni Bosse, Kelly and Luis Aponte, Nathan Stoneberger, Flavia Hajdari, Karen Summerfield, Michael Padgett, Marina Caraballo, Christina Holliday, Melissa Pruitt, Tammie Jarrell, John Carrigan, Netra Regin, Allison Casper, Brea Montanez, Rebecca and Hasan Dogan, Sarath Say, Parameswaran Lakshmanan, Brad and Dani Duncan, Rich Jones, Jo Mansell, Jeff and BJ Brown, Dawn Klotz, Haley and David Black, Hannah Richardson, Chuck White, Mason Maurer, Chris McMurry, Craig Tilden, Katy Trowell, Chanda Wright, Frances Wilkes, Katrina Mall, Barbara Mall, Britney Rodriguez, Deborah Wideman, Vicki Gardner, Amber Sherrill,

Martha and Nicholas Smyk, Angela Yans, Boris Maksimovic, Gabrielle Sladie, Christina Carranza, Scott Freeland, Tina Combs, Kim de la Torre, Prashant Goyal, Lee and Michelle Bassitt, Kushal Tupakula, Brooke Jongerling, Tracy Kamins, Diana and Mearl Platt, Caitlin Tan, Logan Dunn, Larry and Lori Snedden, Chad Cummings, Brandon and Melissa Dusanic, Shannan Binley, Kimberly Nutchero, Sanja Macak, Tequila Huffman, Jason Rogers, Avery Rogers, Kristen Pergament, Diana Owens, Patricia Widup, Loretta Hilton, Laura Salter, Laura Naughton, Manka Scott, Christine Gonzalez, David Norlander, Chuck Norlander, Fatou Mbaye, Rarane Gueye, Yaa Nahu Gueye, Sandy Roberson, Carrie Stowell, Nicole Pasukinski, Brandie and Joe Ricketts, Rose August, Laura Carter Bowman, Stephen and Janice Jones, Susan and Greg Goethe, Mirjeta Isufi, Jennifer DePratter, Stephen Gates, Meredith Schulman, Petronela Roberts, Kristal Spencer, Kathy Enes, Mike Enes, Kim Kershner, Antonio and Annette Davis, Eden Reynolds, Apryl Beinkampen, Cissy Beinkampen, Erika Henry, Michael and Jacqueline Geiss, Frances Willett, Tanya Lamb, Chera Bleau, Joy Wester, Stephanie Wilson, Lisa Miller, Dave and Jane Haviland, Tracy Bryant, Erica Hickey, Fatima Berrios, Kim Mann, Dawnita Toledo, Summer Rivera, Michele Corlew, Angela Osterland, Michael and Katrina Williams, Lurycer Dominguez, Lori Guest-Krech, Missy Ford, Carolyn Antonio, Som Jha, Shweta Jha, Holly Wilder, Sommer York, Basel Barakat, Daniel and Beth Davis, Ann and Dave Gipalo, Leslie Nolan, Tammy Suhetskis, Sarah Otts, Ann Marie Shrader, Heather Streeter, Dana Shaw, Christina Levine, Mark Levine, Wendy Gilbert, Heather Wolf, Alexia Tong, Mirjeta Isufi, Mariette Blokpoel, Katrina Thomas, Tara Spruill, Cheryl and Charles Berberette, Alisha Williams, Jocelyn Moravits, Amela Maksimovic, Richard and Margie Copeland, Carey Hawkins, Rose August, Kellem Ostowski, Cynthia Farmer, Abraham Yassin, Kristen Snow, Annette Martinez, Wendy Matthews, Terri Burt, Racheal and Joshua Barta, Febin Yusuff, Gail Cela, Laura Slayton, Mariana and John Prisco, Lisa and Jeff Navaille, Monique and Brian Kuchler, Joann Acuna, Dawn and David Gray, Stan and Peyton Suvoski, David and Regina Zurcher, Kim Gregory, Michael and Mi-sook Hsu, Christina Keffer, Deepti Mendiratta, Kimberly Bedford, Tessa Ricci, Tori and Cesar Olin, Vanessa Birchell, Muhammad Izhar, Sadaf Atif, Ezra Metz, Vernon Pierce, Scott and Jodi Farrell, Kevin and Tanja Sullivan, Jignes Patel, Viviann and Loren Larsen, Pinky Patel, Devang Patel, Renata Bishop, Deena Stiffler, Joy Albritton, Robin Novak, Damary Torres, Ben Lamm, Ty Lamm, Tamika Mathews, Sriram Guruswamy, Gabriel Barnes, Iris and Francisco Knight, Kristine Meyer, Tony Bellamy, Michelle and Brett Watts, Samantha Scott, Sarah and Spencer Webb, Alesandra Gomes Calouro, Carmelita and Alex O'Britis

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To whom it may concern:

The UNF Women's Basketball program would like to invite the Elementary School students of the Duval County School District to the 3rd Annual GREATEST FIELD TRIP EVER!! On **November 14th, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.** Our women's team will play Edward Waters College and we want **YOU** to be our guests (no charge for admission). The opportunity for your students to experience being on a college campus, getting to meet our players and staff and experiencing a LIVE college basketball game will be priceless. Imagine your students experiencing the following life lessons at work: perseverance, teamwork, hard work and commitment to a goal. They will not only see these lessons at work, but we will talk to them about how hard work in the classroom and on the field/court/etc. really does pay off. It will also be a unique opportunity for your students to put the math skills that you are teaching them in the classroom to work in an exciting way. As the game nears, we will email the participating schools a "MATH WORKBOOK" to complete during the game that is grade appropriate and includes math problems associated with basketball.

We believe it is never too early to inspire young people to achieve, both in the classroom and on the field of play. We would be delighted if you all would join us for our 3rd Annual GREATEST FIELD TRIP EVER!

Please contact Erica White at [904-620-4686](tel:904-620-4686)/e.white@unf.edu if you need further information. Thank you so much for your time.

Yours in hoops,

Mary Tappmeyer
Head Women's Basketball Coach
(904) 620-HOOP (4667)

**NOW YOU CAN FEEL
EVEN BETTER ABOUT
EATING AT ZAXBY'S®.**



Tuesday, September 10, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., is our fundraiser day at Zaxby's! Come to Zaxby's and help raise money for Loretto Elementary School PTA just by eating delicious chicken!

Print this flyer and present it to the cashier and 20% of your order during fundraiser day will be donated.

Hope to see you here!

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