

Dear Sheehan Families,

The 2020-2021 school year is off to a great start! The PTA has been working hard to determine what events and activities will be possible this school year. Now that we have more clarity, we can see that several committees need additional help to ensure that they run smoothly. Below is a list of committees with a brief description of what each committee entails. To get involved, contact the listed PTA executive board member. Please let us know if you are interested! Please continue to check the PTA section of the Sheehan School website for more updates and information as well.

Sincerely,

Sheehan PTA Executive Board

Mini Courses - Mini Courses are an after-school program for Sheehan students that make extracurricular activities easy for parents and children. The classes are about fun enrichment topics, take place on-line right after school and are taught by fun and creative instructors. Committee members work as a liaison between on-line vendors and Sheehan, schedule events, prepare info flyer, and ensure on-line events are live. Mini Courses are also a major funding source for the PTA.

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Parent Social Silent Auction - Different from years past, this year our parent social silent auction will be held virtually. This committee will be responsible for promoting the event, setting up an on-line auction site, soliciting local businesses and families for donations, overseeing the on-line event and distributing gifts to auction winners.

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Outdoor Learning Center - The Outdoor Learning Center (OLC) is a garden classroom used by teachers and staff to enhance the science curriculum and serves as an oasis in nature for the Sheehan community to read, draw or enjoy a special "lunch bunch". It was designed for students to learn about growing vegetables and flowers, attracting butterflies and birds, composting rocks and minerals and weather tracking, but there is so much potential. Help is needed year-round, with gardening, weeding and upkeep. No gardening experience needed!

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SCRIP Fundraiser - Shop with SCRIP is a program in which families purchase gift cards from a variety of national retailers and a % of the purchase goes directly to the school. The committee is responsible for promoting the program to Sheehan families and coordinating/ distributing orders. All orders will be placed via shopwithscrip.com

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Savers FUNDdrive - Do your spring cleaning and help raise money for the Sheehan PTA. This event takes place on a Saturday in the spring. Coordinators are responsible for recruiting event volunteers, running day of activities and communicating with Savers.

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Grant Writing - This committee seeks out grants that are available within our community and beyond. Likely funding sources include local organizations such as the Foundation for Westwood Education, The Westwood Cultural Council as well as local banks and businesses. This committee helps secure funds for programming and special projects.

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