



# TIGER FAMILY NEWS LETTER



**SHADOW LAKE PTA PTA#: 9.14.13**

Hello Shadow Lake Families!

We had a great PTA meeting on 1-18-2024. To follow up on our goal of “how to speak up for your child” please see Mrs. Christiansens comments in our minutes [linked here](#).

We would like to start an **advocacy committee** that would meet via virtual meetings to discuss bills supporting or affecting our students and guidance on how these impact our community directly. If you are interested please email: [tigerfamilypta@gmail.com](mailto:tigerfamilypta@gmail.com)

**Thank you** to all for donating to staff appreciation during conference week!

We **NEED 1 more person to be on the nominating committee** to help find a new board. (page 5)

## February Programs

- 1 January Paws reading logs due
- 2 Movie Night - Page 2
- 7-9 candy grams sales (volunteers needed)
- 13 VOTE DAY!
- 14 Candy Grams delivered - Page 3
- 26 Fun run pledge ticket exchange starts (more info coming home FEB 16th)
- 28 Yearbook contest entries due - Page 8

## March Programs

- 1 Read across America Day
- 20 Ready Tech GO! (learn about safe use of technology)
- 20 PTA Meeting 4
- 22 Dance

Do you have a question of feedback? Please share here:

[Open feedback form](#)

Please reach out if you have any comments or concerns,

-Theresa Parker

[president@shadowlakepta.org](mailto:president@shadowlakepta.org)

**[shadowlakepta.memberplanet.com](http://shadowlakepta.memberplanet.com)**

Levy links:

[https://www.tahomasd.us/our\\_district/20](https://www.tahomasd.us/our_district/20)

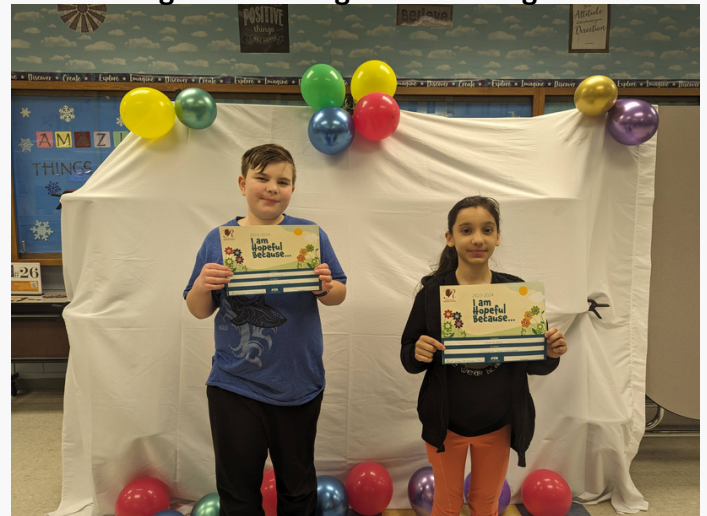
[24 levy renewals](#)

<http://voteyestahoma.com>

<https://sites.google.com/tahomasd.us/tsd/leviesinformation/home>

Picture below: Evan and Jasmin selected to move onto state for their submissions in the reflections contest not pictures Marnie

Congrats to our tigers for moving onto state! :



# Wish



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Shadow Lake Elementary Commons  
Friday, February 2nd at 7pm  
(Doors open at 6:30pm)

**SWANK**  
MOVIE LICENSING USA

# Candy Grams from the Parents

Are you interested in purchasing a Candy Gram for your child this Valentines Day?

**SLES PTA is offering Parent Sales at \$1 each!**

If interested, please send your child to school with a note labeled 'PTA' and containing:

**\*Students name \*Grade \*Teachers name \*Who it's from (ie: Mom, dad)**

**\*Donation (cash or checks made out to SLES PTA)**

Online sales



Please limit online sales to 5 and any messages to under 10 words

Sign up to help here



**Parent sales 2/1-2/10**



# Candy Grams

## Student Sales

Send your friends, classmates and teachers a candy from for Valentines Day!

**\$1 each**

**UPDATED DATES**

**Sold During lunch recess on**

**Monday 2/5, Wednesday 2/7, and Friday 2/9**

**Candy Grams will be delivered on Wednesday  
2/14**



# NOMINATING COMMITTEE OPEN.

**We need 1 more  
person! to help  
find the next board**

**Email:  
tigerfamilypta@gmail.  
com**

Nominating Committee:

- Every year all 4 executive board positions are open.
- The President, Treasurer and Secretary have all served 2 years and cannot re-run
- The nominating committee shares the requirements with interested members and finds a new board
- The role ends when the new board is vote on May 2024
- The nominating committee solicits interest and conducts interviews to present a list of potential executive board members to the membership
- To be on the nominating committee you must be a PTA member by 14 days before appointment



[Shadowlakepta.memberplanet.com](http://Shadowlakepta.memberplanet.com)

# Calendar 2023-2024

Life happens, so please, **always check our website** to confirm the dates and times:

[www.shadowlakepta.memberplanet.com](http://www.shadowlakepta.memberplanet.com)

## September

~~4 No School~~  
9 Crown Donuts Fundraiser  
17 Volunteer Kickoff Meeting  
22 Movie Night  
26 PTA Meeting

## December

1 Dance Night  
3 Mod Pizza Fundraiser  
13 Paint Night  
15 Staff Appreciation Cookie Bar  
18-01/01 **Winter Break**

## March

1 Read Across America  
14 Fun Run  
TBD Spring Dance  
20 Ready Tech Go!  
20 PTA Meeting  
22 **No School** & 25 **No School**

## October

9-12 Book Fair Week  
12 Open house  
13 **No School**  
23-27 Missoula Theater  
28 Make a Difference Day

## January

11 Red Robin Fundraiser  
15 **No School**  
18 PTA Meeting  
20 & 27: Code Ninjas  
26 **No School**  
29-02/01 **Conference week**

## April

3-5 Camp Casey  
8-12 **No School** Spring Break  
20 Spring Trail Clean Up  
22-26 Spring Book Fair

## June

6 Celebration of Learning and Art Auction  
19 **No School**  
TBD Senior Grad Walk  
21 Last day of School

## November

3 Library Night  
7 PTA Meeting  
10 **No School**  
14 **Reflections projects due**  
23-24 **No School** Thanksgiving Break

## February

2- movie night  
3- Thunderbirds Night  
7-9 Candy Grams for Sale  
14 Candy Grams  
19-23 **No School**  
Midwinter Break

## May

6- 10 Staff Appreciation Week  
16 Carnival and Basket Raffle  
20 Last PTA Meeting  
24 **No School**  
27 **No School**

- Fridays early release (2hr)
- PAW reading logs due end of every month (submit online)
- Popcorn every other Fridays
- WOW on Wednesday



# Playground Pals



Playground Pals is a special opportunity for parents and caregivers to join students at their lunch recess.

## **Roles:**

- Help monitor kids during their recess time.
- Play games with kids at recess (catch, soccer, tag, etc.)
- Offer to help in your child's classroom or the office before or after recess.

## **Tuesdays and Thursdays**

Time slots are divided by grade level:  
Kindergarten-2nd Grade 11:30am-12:45pm  
3rd Grade-5th Grade 12:15pm-1:15pm



## **Sign up:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D45A9A82AA3FEC34-47047261-playground>  
Or email Jazzmin: [jazzdaine@gmail.com](mailto:jazzdaine@gmail.com)

If you would like to offer to volunteer in your child's class or the office before or after your chosen time slot, please reach out to your child's teacher directly.

All volunteers must be cleared by the district. We'd like to have volunteers booked at least 10 days ahead. This will give everyone time to plan & announce each week's Playground Pals on Tiger TV.

**Questions?** Jazzmin Chidester: [jazzdaine@gmail.com](mailto:jazzdaine@gmail.com)

**Every Tiger.  
Every Day.  
Be You!**



# Yearbook Cover Contest

We need 5<sup>th</sup> grade artists to design a colorful front cover for our 2024 yearbook. The cover theme for this year is:

**“The Tiger Way Welcomes All!”**

Use your imagination to create a bold cover that celebrates our Shadow Lake community and/or the Tiger Way - Show Respect, Make Good Decisions, and Solve Problems. Please return your entry with this flyer by **Wednesday, February 28, 2024**, to your teacher!

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grade: 5**      **Teacher:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Instructions:**

- The cover must include the school's name (Shadow Lake Elementary) and the year (2023-2024).
- No traced artwork considered.
- Use markers or colored pencils (make sure pencil colors are bold) on white paper (heavier like card stock preferred)
- Submit your entry in a large envelope (9 x 12 or so). Wrinkled submissions will not be considered.
- Attach this completed flyer to the outside of your envelope and return to your teacher by Wednesday February 28, 2024. (NO staples please)

Questions? Contact Hope Lash at  
[slestigeryearbook@gmail.com](mailto:slestigeryearbook@gmail.com) or 360-620-9969

**Good Luck!**



# We Are Looking For

Open Spring PTA Position →



Dance Committee  
Fun Run co - chair



**Interested? Please e-mail:**

[tigerfamilypta@gmail.com](mailto:tigerfamilypta@gmail.com)



# ONE TIME SIGN UPS!

Work out  
Wednesday



Candy  
Grams



>Popcorn  
Fridays!



All volunteers must be cleared by the district. Vaccine requirement no longer in effect. Sign up here

Playground  
Pals



>Art Docent  
Thursday  
+Fridays



> More  
positions  
and info  
here





# What is Workout Wednesday?



- Workout Wednesday (aka Mileage club) is a free fitness program at Shadow Lake Elementary sponsored by Shadow Lake PTA

- Participants move (Run, walk, dance, skip, hop) around the outdoor track during lunch recess on Wednesdays - weather permitting
- The program is designed to increase physical activity, which in turn promotes a higher level of healthy energy among students, teachers, parents and staff at school.
- This years WOW program will run November 1, 2023- End of May 2024
- **We will work with teachers and parents to include all students according to their ability**

## EARN REWARDS

- As participants accumulate miles around the track, they will earn reward tokens to hang on their Work Out Wednesday bracelet.
- Each week the class with the most participants for their grade will receive a trophy in their classroom
- The class that earns the most miles will get to display the WOW TOP MILEAGE grade trophy in their class each month

## Want to Volunteer?

- You Must be cleared with the Tahoma School District. no siblings at this time.



Scan or  
press and  
hold on QR  
to sign up



Questions?  
shanna\_lue@hotmail.com

# Art Docents Needed!



Love to create, or share in the amazing creations of our kids? Sign up to be an Art Docent! No experience or artistic skill needed—just a joy for sharing art with kids. All materials/lessons provided. It is a 30–45 minute commitment on the third Thursday or Friday of the month (this week!)

Please scan the code below or contact Alyson Seeley at [alysonjquinn@yahoo.com](mailto:alysonjquinn@yahoo.com) to sign up.



[CLICK HERE](#)



# Popcorn Fridays!



Dear Shadow Lake Families:

We are pleased to announce Popcorn Fridays are back, starting this Fall! Below is some information about our PTA Popcorn Program for the 2023-2024 school year:

- Popcorn Fridays is free to families thanks to our sponsor [Belief Agency](#).
- Popcorn is given out starting at 11 a.m. (Lunch Recess)
- Kindergarten classes receive ½ bags

**Popcorn volunteers are needed!** It's a fun and tasty way to get involved with Shadow Lake PTA programs. Please click on the sign-up link for more info and how you can get involved.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4CA4AD2FA5F5C07-popcorn1>

## Popcorn Friday Dates:

Oct 20

Nov 3 & 17

Dec 1 & 15

Jan 5 & 19

Feb 2 & 16

Mar 1 & 15

Apr 5 & 19

May 3, 17 & 31

Your Popcorn Chairs,

Katie Hays Girdler [katieahays@gmail.com](mailto:katieahays@gmail.com)

Erin Berkman [erin.berkman@gmail.com](mailto:erin.berkman@gmail.com)



## THANK YOU TO OUR 2023-2024 Popcorn Sponsor!



The brand of Popcorn that we are using right now is “Jolly Time - All in One” popcorn – it is made with Coconut oil. Each Kindergarten student receives approx. 2 cups of popped popcorn, and those in 1st-5th receive approx. 3-3.5 cups of popped popcorn. If you believe that your child is allergic to Coconut oil or any other ingredients and you would prefer for them not to participate in Popcorn Friday, please notify both your child’s teacher and me immediately.

If you have any other questions– please don’t hesitate to reach out!

- Nicole Munsell, RN (School Nurse).

We welcome you to join the Tahoma School District's Special Education & Disability PTA Committee! Families and with children receiving 504 accommodations and/or IEP services are welcome to join! Please click on [this link](#) to see our flyer and learn how to become a part of our group!



*TSD Special Education & Disability  
PTA Committee*

**JOIN US!**



*Connect, Resources, Advocacy  
Click on icons below!*



*Join*



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*FB Page*

tsdspeceddisabilitiespta@gmail.com

[Join Here](#)

# PAWS READING CLUB

PTA

slespawsreading@gmail.com



## What is PAWS?

PAWS is an "at home" reading program designed to encourage students to read and to celebrate their reading accomplishments. Students track their reading for each month on a PAWS calendar log as they work towards meeting the 20-minute day/400-minute month goal. The club starts in October 2023 and ends in May 2024

### PAWS Club notes:

- PAWS calendar logs will be due monthly on the first school day of every month for the previous month. Parents review the total and initial before they return the calendar for tallying.
- Printable calendars or submit student Paw reading minute totals online at: <https://shadowlakepta.memberplanet.com/ForParents.html>
- PTA is attempting to cut back on paper flyers due to the cost. But we are happy to print if necessary; please email [slespawsreading@gmail.com](mailto:slespawsreading@gmail.com)
- Any amount of reading counts! Just put the minutes on each day
- Any reading counts... independent reading, reading with parents, or audiobook
- Have FUN! Create and Color your calendar monthly! Add minutes daily.
- Under the notes section, VERY IMPORTANT. Please put the student's name First and Last (clearly), the teacher's name, and the grade.

### Goal of PAWS Reading Club:

Our goal is to help our Shadow Lake Tigers develop a love for reading. We desire to instill such a love for reading that they grab a book when looking for something to do before reaching for the remote, tablet, or game controller.

Parents are key to the success of this goal, and we look forward to parent participation. Let us enlighten students about the joy of reading and turn them into lifelong readers by making it a natural daily habit.

Tigers, we invite you to join a treasure hunt journey with your family and friends through books. Together, we will take on different challenges, level up, use our imagination, and discover a love for reading. Readers display greater knowledge of how things work and the world around them (information on people, places, and things), enhanced vocabulary, improved language development, and improved writing. This club will help our students in their current and future development.

### Prizes:

- The classes with the highest percentage of participants reading. The winning class will be awarded bragging rights for the month.
- A treat of some kind will be given to everyone who participates monthly.
- Yearly- Students who meet monthly Paws goals will be recognized at the yearly Paws awarded.

**PRINT**  
**PAWS READING**  
**LOGS HERE**

# READY TECH GO

MARCH 20, 2024

6:00PM SLES COMMONS  
FOOD AND DRINKS  
PROVIDED

During this educational event, parents and caregivers will:

1. Reflect on various aspects of screen readiness.
2. Become familiar with tools and resources that help families determine screen readiness and discuss digital life.
3. Gain new ideas to promote a healthy digital home.

Kids are spending more and more time in front of screens and many want devices of their own. Come talk to other parents about how to know when your child is ready for mobile life at Shadow Lake's PTA Connected: Ready, Tech, Go!™

workshops supported by AT&T on March 20th at 6pm #PTAProud @NationalPTA

#HowWePTA #ATTImpact





# PTA YEAR ROUND PROGRAMS



## PAWS READING

Help encourage and foster the love of books and reading at home with our Paw reading program. Help your kid track their daily reading minute count and submit it at the end of the month to win prizes both at the individual level and class level!



## WOW

### WORKOUT WEDNESDAY

Every Wednesday during recess your child will have the opportunity to participate in WOW, by running or walking laps! A cumulative lap tracker at the end of year will be presented with prizes! This program helps excite and promote fitness and health

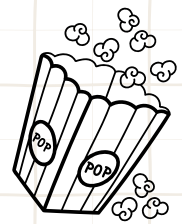
## PLAYGROUND PAL/WATCHDOGS



This program allows parents and caregivers to be a positive presence and role models for students while they help at recess, lunches and drop off/pick up. This is one of the many ways to show up and get involved at school and be part of our amazing community.

## POPCORN FRIDAY

A CROWD FAVORITE! EVERY OTHER FRIDAY WE PROVIDE A BAG OF FREE FRESHLY POPPED POPCORN TO ALL STUDENTS DURING RECESS FOR A GREAT SPECIAL FRIDAY TREAT THAT EVERYONE LOOKS FORWARD TOO



All these year round programs are to help make your child's school year extra special. Volunteers are always needed



Sign up to volunteer at our PTA Website:  
[shadowlakepta.memberplanet.com](http://shadowlakepta.memberplanet.com)

## Paws Reading Change for 2023:

Reading Minutes can be submitted online via our website or parents can write the number in. blank calendars are also available on the website



## SHADOW LAKE ELEMENTARY PTA

We are accepting applications to **sponsor PTA programs** at Shadow Lake Elementary. When you work with PTA, your company demonstrates its commitment to improving the life and education of every child. As a Proud Sponsor of Shadow Lake PTA, your company aligns itself with a trusted organization with proven advocacy and action on behalf of all children.

- Tax Prep (Valued at \$500) looking for CPA to prepare taxes in exchange for a goods and services receipt
- Work out Wednesday: \$1500
- Movie Nights: \$500
- Dances: \$500
- Missoula Childrens Theater: \$3500
- Paws reading: \$1000
- Library night: \$500
- Carnival Game booth \$25

Scan Here for more info



Sponsors will be recognized in our school newsletter and during/at the program they support.

Program Descriptions can be found on our [website](#)  
For more info please contact [President@shadowlakepta.org](mailto:President@shadowlakepta.org)





# SHADOW LAKE PTA

## 2024 Fun Run sponsors

### Benefits of becoming a Community Partner:

We are accepting applications to sponsor our PTA FUN RUN at Shadow Lake Elementary.

When you work with PTA, your company demonstrates its commitment to improving the life and education of every child.

As a Proud Sponsor of Shadow Lake PTA, your company aligns itself with a trusted organization with proven advocacy and action on behalf of all children. Program Descriptions can be found on our website For more info please contact [President@shadowlakepta.org](mailto:President@shadowlakepta.org)

SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS:	\$500	\$200	\$100	Item Donation
Website Exposure through July 2024	Large Logo and Link	Medium Logo and Link	Small Logo and Link	Small Logo
Company logo on Fun Run Papers that go home	Large Logo	Medium Logo	Small Logo	Small Logo
Social Media Exposure	posted very time we share the totals (10 times)	Posted 3 times	Posted with info	Posted with info
Tax receipt	✓	✓	✓	✓

<https://shadowlakepta.memberplanet.com>

Example of web site promotion:  
used by 500 Families +

