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Mark your calendars for

Friday September 17th

10:30 am

Hello Parents!

The 5th Annual Pioneers For Education’s Walk-a-Thon is here! Rain or Shine we will Walk on September 17th at 10:30 am. And hopefully, we are back to a full morning of activities!

The funds raised during these five weeks will make sure these great programs continue to support students and teachers from Pre-School to High School.

**Annual Activities and Programs that have been funded and/or supported by the PFE:**

* One School One Book
* Donuts with Mom & Dad
* Scholastic Books for Classrooms
* Summer Bridge Books &Party
* Back-To-School Reception for Teachers
* Scooters Back-To-School for Teachers
* Volunteer Thank You’s
* Pioneer Pride Friday Snacks
* Artist in Residence
* Teacher Appreciation Week
* Crayola ColorCycle
* Field Day Popsicles
* Thursday Folder Supplies
* Cheer-Breakfast for Spring Testing
* Nutrition Nuggets
* Kindergarten Graduation
* Retirement Celebrations
* Movie night
* Post Prom Activities
* Original Art Works

NEW THIS YEAR!

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* Spring Carnival
* Sixth Grade Tea
* Scholarships
* Teacher Classroom Requests
* Father/daughter dance
* Mother/son event

**Improvement Projects:**

* Playground Resurfacing
* Preschool Playground

Without you looking into your own wallet and asking grandparents, aunts, uncles, neighbors, and friends to support our AMAZING school, none of these great activities would be possible.

Thank you for supporting, and asking others to support, what makes being a Pioneer something our kids will always remember.

With gratitude,

**Your PFE Walk Team,**

Chris Roberts, Teresa Dowling, Kelli BenSalah, and Shannon Pokorski

**Your PFE Board,**

Brad Earley, Shannon Pokorski, Joey Iwen, and Nicole Duros

**This Year’s Dates**

**Kick-Off**

* August, 12th – Right now, as you are reading this, the Walk-a-Thon begins! Or three days ago if the Thursday folder didn’t make it home as expected ;)
* Online Donations are open!

**Week One Ends**

* Thursday, August 19th - Bright and early Thursday morning the Tally Team begins counting. Cash and checks turned in after 8:15 am and online donations after 7:00 am will count towards the following week.
* Winners announced over the intercom and in the Thursday folder. Prizes given to students.
* 🟉All Access Pass Due 🟉🟉

**Week Two**

* Thursday, August 26th - At the crack of dawn, the Tally Team begins looking for this week’s winners. Cash and checks turned in after 8:15 am and online donations after 7:00 am will count towards the following week.
* Winners announced over the intercom and in the Thursday folder. Prizes given to students.
* 🟉T-Shirt orders due 🟉🟉

**Week Three**

* Thursday, September 2nd - With some help from Scooters Coffee, the Tally Team begins counting. Cash and checks turned in after 8:15 am and online donations after 7:00 am will count towards the following week.
* Winners announced over the intercom and in the Thursday folder. Prizes given to students.

**Week Four**

* Thursday, September 9th - By Week 4, the Tally Team may all just arrive in our pajamas to begin counting and will definitely need espresso. Cash and checks turned in after 8:15 am and online donations after 7:00 am will count towards the following week.
* Winners announced over the intercom and in the Thursday folder. Prizes given to students.

**Week Five**

* Thursday, September 9th - By Week 4, the Tally Team may all just arrive in our pajamas to begin counting and will definitely need espresso. Cash and checks turned in after 8:15 am and online donations after 7:00 am will count towards the following week.
* Winners announced over the intercom and in the Thursday folder. Prizes given to students.

**Walk Day**

* Friday, September 17th - Rain or Shine - see you at 10:30 am
* Donations are still accepted and appreciated at the Walk Table near the school entrance and online.
* Final Winners announced in the Sept 23th Thursday folder. Final prizes given to students.

**This Year’s Highlights**

**GOAL**: Each student raises $48 with a school total of $15,000. This goes a long way to raising the $30,000 needed to fund the outside-the-classroom learning.

**All Access Pass:** for a donation of $48/student the first week donations are collected (must be received by Thursday, August 19th). This PASS allows your student to be entered into each weekly drawing for prizes and receive a small individual prize.

**Online Donations:** <https://pfe.formstack.com/forms/walkathon2021> *OR*

[www.fortcalhounschools.org](https://www.fortcalhounschools.org) --> community organizations --> pioneers for education

(make sure to share with everyone)

**Before the Walk**

* T-Shirt are free for all enrolled students. T-Shirt form must be filled out and returned NO LATER than Thursday, August 26th.
* Parents and other family members that want to show their Pioneer Pride can order a shirt for $12 on the same form (included in this packet).

**Walk Day – September 17th**

* Rain or shine, come and walk with your kids, or somewhere near them, as you meet new moms, hang out with your friends, and maybe push a stroller.
* Wear your Pioneer Pride shirts!
* Numbered balloons will mark each grade’s meet-up spot in the parking lot.

**Prizes**

* Weekly drawings for each student that had a donation in their name that week AND All Access Pass students, in addition to a small individual prize,
* Weekly Top Fundraiser (individual), and
* Weekly Top Fundraiser (classroom).
* Final Top Three Fundraisers (individual), and
* Final Top Three Fundraisers (classrooms).

**NOTE**: Prizes are either sent home with students, consumed in the classroom, or will follow the Walk in the form of Sock Day or PJ Day. Prizes will be announced in the Weekly Updates from the Tally Team and sent home in the Thursday Folders and repeated on FaceBook.

**Questions?** Please contactChris Roberts @ (719)651-9922 or chris.see.roberts@gmail.com

**Volunteers**

The 2021 Walk-a-Thon Planning Team did a lot of the heavy lifting and planning this spring and summer. Now they need just a few extra people to make this Walk a great memory for all the kids.

**Tally Team**

We need a Tally Team each Thursday morning. Volunteers need to arrive in the elementary office by 8:00 am and plan to stay until 10:30~. Week 1 may take a little extra time – bring some strong coffee. Come in all 5 weeks or just the one week that fits your schedule!

Roles include tracking funds raised per student and per classroom, counting, double counting, and delivery of prizes.

**Walk Day**

A few extra hands are needed to assist with set-up of routes signs and more, blowing up balloons, water station, clean-up, and entry table (for questions and last minute donations).

**Ready to Volunteer?**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084BABAE29AA8-walkathon>

Or find it on the PFE page of the school website:

[www.fortcalhounschools.org](https://www.fortcalhounschools.org) --> community organizations --> pioneers for education

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**2021 Walk-a-Thon**

**T-shirt Order Form**

**First Notice**

• Please complete the below form if you haven’t already signed up at back to school night. Please complete only one form per family and return to the school.

• Forms **due NO LATER than Thursday, August 26th**. If we do not receive a form back for your child, best guess will be made on sizing.

• Students and Teachers receive a free T-Shirt. Parents can order at $12/shirt (please include payment with the form). Cash or Checks payable to P.F.E.

• Contact Teresa Dowling with questions (teresaroth1@yahoo.com)

Please include all information for ease of distribution of t-shirts to students.

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| Child’s Name  (or Adult name) | Teacher | Grade | T-shirt size |
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Sizes Available:

Youth: X-Small, Small, Medium, Large, & X-Large

Adult ($12/T-Shirt): X-Small, Small, Medium, Large, XL, XXL, & XXXL



