



PTA NEWS & EVENTS

DECEMBER 7, 2022

Walker Staff Holiday Gift Fund

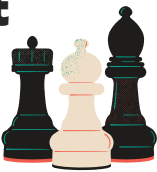


The Walker Staff Holiday Gift Fund provides an easy way to share the joy and cheer of the season with all of our amazing teachers and staff at our school. Gift Cards will be distributed equally across all faculty and staff, including our dedicated custodial and lunchroom staff and wonderful tutors and specials teachers. Donations are completely optional and gifts of all sizes are welcome.

We will be collecting donations now through Dec. 16th and they can be dropped off at the school office (cash or check made out to Walker PTA) or made through our MemberHub store [here](#).

Call for Volunteers for Walker District-Wide Chess Tournament

Ok, Wolverines it's game time! On Saturday, December 10, 2022 Walker School will be hosting one of the biggest events of the school season: The Walker Chess Tournament! Proceeds from the tournament will go to support free or low-cost opportunities for young Walker chess players and the Walker PTA.



We need volunteers (NO CHESS EXPERIENCE NEEDED!) to help run concessions, direct people where to go, sign people in and keep score. [Please sign up here to help!](#)

Upcomming Dates:

Dec 7: Restaurant Night @ Jarasa Kabob

Dec 7: Early Dismissal @ 12:05pm

Dec 10: District Wide Chess Tournament
@ Walker, 8am-6pm

Dec 11: Bingo @ 1-3pm

Dec 15: 1st & 2nd grade Combined Music
Concert @ 11:45am-12:25pm

Dec 15: PTA Meeting

Dec 26- Jan 9: No School - Winter Break &
School Improvement day

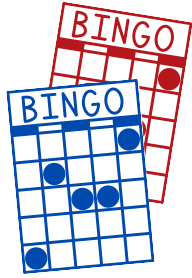
December Restaurant Night: Dec. 7th & 8th at Jarasa Kabob



Order from Jarasa Kabob (3641 Dempster St, Skokie) on Wed., Dec. 7th & Thurs. Dec. 8th! They will be donating 10% of all sales from Walker customers to our PTA. They are also having a special promotion for Walker customers ([see flyer for details](#)). Be sure to mention Walker when ordering. You can order online at order.jarasakabob.com and enter "WALKER22" in the notes section and select the promotion preferred.

Walker Family Bingo: Sunday, Dec. 11th at 1-3pm

Please join other Walker families and students for a fun, completely free afternoon of B-I-N-G-O!! This is a great opportunity to meet other caregivers and parents in the Walker community while also having FUN!!! Look out for a flyer with more details.



PTA Meeting: Thursday, Dec. 15th at 7:30pm



Join us for our monthly PTA meeting! We will be meeting over Zoom. [Click here](#) for the upcoming agenda and [here](#) for the meeting link. We will be voting on funding the redesign of the teachers' lounge. We hope to see you there!

Check Lost & Found: Dec 15th & 16th



On Thursday December 15th & Friday December 16th the Lost & Found will be set up in the main foyer of the front doors. Parents/Caretakers are invited to come anytime throughout those days and check for their students' lost stuff. Enter through the front doors - no need to proceed into the school. After Dec. 16th, all water bottles/food receptacles will be thrown away and all clothing will be donated to ESCCA.

District 65 Updates/Info

- **Shield Testing:** Given the low interest and turnout, we are canceling SHIELD testing at JEH on Tuesday mornings. The last day of testing was Tuesday, November 29th. We will still participate in Outbreak Testing, meaning if there is an outbreak at your school declared by the health department (3 or more confirmed connected cases in the same cohort/class), we can have SHIELD come to your school for testing. We will continue to provide home tests to families/students/staff who are exposed and need them to the extent they are available. Depending on interest, we may also host a community testing event prior to winter break.
- **Registration for 6th Grade:** All current 5th-grade students must complete a required registration to enter middle school. The process includes an online registration to validate or correct all contact information, next year's school info, and residency verification. The Registration Office will send detailed information directly to families after winter break.
- **E-Learning Days:** District 65 has an approved E-Learning Plan. If school buildings are unexpectedly closed, the District may choose to enact an E-Learning Day rather than cancel the instructional day. This means that schools will be closed and staff and students will engage in remote teaching and learning. These days do not need to be made up at the end of the school year. Details about remote learning are available on our [D65 website](#).