

**November
PTA Meeting
November 21, 2025**



Agenda

- Call to Order
- Approval of Minutes
- Co-President Report
- Principal's Report
- Fundraising Report
- After School Report
- Treasurer Report
- Budget Amendment Vote

Co-President Report

Upcoming Fall Events

- **Thanksgiving Break**

November 27th - 28th

- **Giving Tuesday**

Tuesday,

December 2nd

- **PS29 In-Person Open House (Pre-K, K)**

Friday, December 5th

- **Eat Pie Shop**

Sunday, December 7th

- **PS29 Virtual Open House (Pre-K, K)**

Monday, December

Upcoming Winter Events

- **PS29 In-Person Open House (Pre-K, K)** Wednesday, January 7th
- **Lice check #2**
Thursday, January 8th
- **January PTA Meeting (in person)** Friday, January 16th
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Day (NO SCHOOL)** Monday, January 19th
- **PS29 Book Fair** January 26th - 29th
- **School Photo Retake Day** Thursday,

Coming up!

We are still looking for pies and volunteers (sign up [here](#))!



EAT PIE SHOP

YOU'RE INVITED!
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH
11AM - 3 PM • PS 29 SCHOOLYARD + INSIDE



IT'S ALL ABOUT PIE!

- ▶ Our goal is 300 pies - Please donate as many as you can!
- ▶ Pre-slice your pie so that each slice is worth \$5 (Example: 10" pie = 6 slices)
- ▶ Label your pie - include ingredients, allergens, nuts, gluten, etc.
- ▶ Bake in a disposable pie tin. We will recycle tins, but cannot return pie dishes.
- ▶ Go beyond pies! Cobbler, crisps, buckles, whoopie pies, tarts, strudels, empanadas, custard, crostatas, quiche....savory & sweet!
- ▶ The class that brings in the most pies wins a PIZZA PARTY!
- ▶ HOMEMADE & STORE BOUGHT OK!

CELEBRITY-JUDGED PIE CONTEST

It's time to preheat the competition! Our annual celebrity-judged pie contest is back and we've lined up an incredible panel of judges to taste-test your best bakes: Dr. Fagin (PS 29), Doris Hô-Kane (Ban Bè), Gautier Coiffard (L'Appartement 4F), Gia Giasullo (Brooklyn Farmacy), Harold Dieterle (Top Chef), Michael Farah (Nabila's) & Odette Williams (Simple Cake)

Sign up [HERE](#) to enter your pie.
Spots fill up quickly!

LUNCH+SHOPPING
CRAFTS+PHOTOS+RAFFLE!

- ▶ Lunch from Hometown BBQ, Bad Cholesterol Pizza, Nabila's, Tamales Tia Yanet & Poppy's
- ▶ Coffee Cart & Hot Chocolate from Joe Coffee
- ▶ Over 20 curated vendors to shop for Holiday Gifts
- ▶ Kids Maker Fair from PS29's 4th & 5th Graders
- ▶ Family Crafts & Pie Making Activity
- ▶ Professional Photo Studio - Sign up [HERE](#) to reserve a spot
- ▶ [Raffle](#) with fun prizes - including flight of winning contest pies!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
SIGN UP [HERE](#) TO HELP ON THE DAY

Principal's Report

with **Dr. Fagin**

Principal Updates

What's happening at 29?

- Homework Help with Math Coach - 1st through 5th grade
- P.S. 29 Mini-Marathon
- We had Parent Teacher Conferences for 700+ students.
- Comfort Dog visit
- Kindergarten Music Family Mornings
- Newspaper every Thursday and Friday - working towards January paper.

Coming Up...

- Open House for Prospective Families - 12/5
- Ballroom Dance performance - 12/18
- School Musical - early January
- Upcoming collaborations...
 - Yoga, Music, & Movement - Pre-K and K
 - 1st grade Shakespeare
 - 5th grade improv

Construction Updates

Connecting the Ramp & Accessible Entrance

- Probes through the wall
- Create windows and door

Elevator

- Pour concrete for elevator
- Clear all the spaces adjacent to the elevator

Class Size Reduction

Applying to get to 100% Compliance

- Asking for an additional 6 funded teachers
 - Increase kindergarten section from five sections of 25 to six sections of 20
 - Increase 2nd grade by one section
 - Increase 3rd grade by one section, add ICT class
 - Increase 5th grade by one section

Challenges

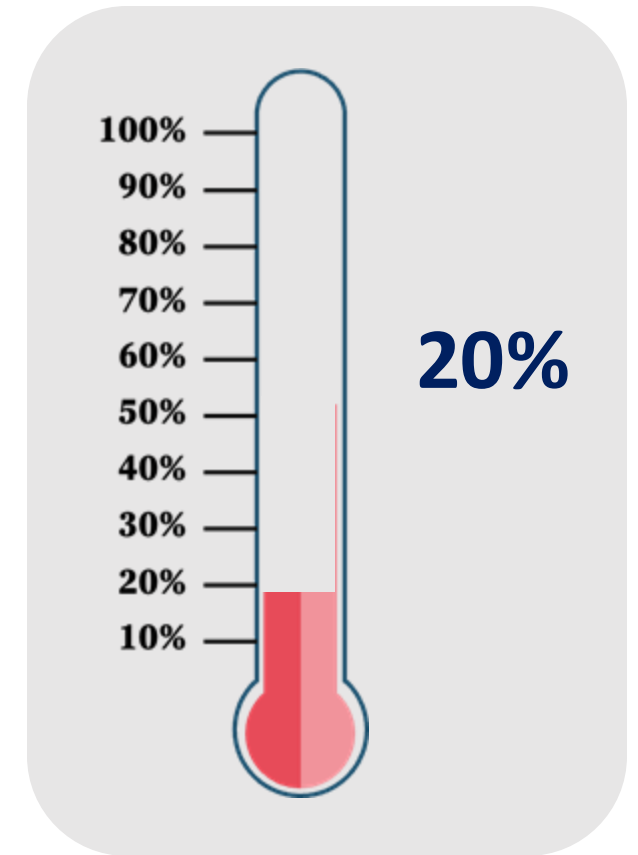
- Completion date for construction
- Limited storage

Fundraising Report

Direct Appeal 2025-26

THIS YEAR'S GOAL: \$196K

- This year the PTA is projected to spend about \$850/student
- All gifts are tax-deductible, as PS29 PTA is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization
- **Donations can be made at:**
 - <https://ps29pta.kindful.com>
 - By check payable to PS29
 - Via your employer (please fill [this small form](#) out so we know to look out for it)



Tuesday, December 2nd

Goal: \$100K

**GIVING
TUESDAY**

What is Giving Tuesday at PS29?

A collective action from the PS29 community to raise funds by unlocking pre-secured **matching donations** and reaching **our target for unique number of donors**.

What are the next steps?

- Check if your employer offers donation matching
- Follow PTA emails + PS29 Instagram for updates
- Donate and spread the word!

Have questions or want to be our matching donor?

Email us at ps29ptaFundraising@gmail.com

Afterschool Report

with **Marie Isner**

Important Dates

- **Winter 2026 course lottery open** November 14 - December 1st

Please sign up for your two two choice courses.

- **Lottery results loaded to portal** Friday, December 12th

- **Fall 2025 courses end** Friday, December 19th

- **Kid's Club & winter courses start** Thursday, January 5th

Kid's Club enrollment automatically rolls over unless expressly changed/cancelled.

Treasurer Report

Budget Snapshot as of Oct-31-2025

	2025-26			2024-25
	ACTUAL	GOAL	% of GOAL	% of GOAL
NET CONTRIBUTIONS				
Fundraising (direct appeal & corp. matching)	\$28K	\$196K	14%	17%
Merchandise Sales, Book Fair & Photo Day	\$3.6K	\$19K	19%	18%
Community Events & Activities	\$15.8K	\$106K	15%	-1%
<i>Movie Night</i>	\$6K	\$1.5K	400%	320%
<i>PS29 Cheers</i>	\$3.8K	\$4K	95%	95%
<i>Rummage Sale</i>	\$6.8K	\$8K	85%	77%
After School Program (accretive to the budget with assessed parental fees)	\$-1K	\$208K	-1%	15%

Notable revenue in October:

- +\$25K in donations incl. corporate matching
- +\$14K from PS29 Cheers and Rummage Sale

Notable expenses in October:

- \$9K for various school and educational supplies
- \$0.6K for Harvest Week supplies
- \$0.3K for Summer Reading Challenge pizza lunch

Budget Amendment Vote

Budget Amendment

Requesting approval to **allocate up to \$25,000** from **PS29 PTA reserves**

- Funds will be used to hire **two** school aides **through the end of the school year**
- Aides will assist with:
 - Lunch and recess supervision
 - General administrative tasks
- Aides are hired from vetted and senior PS29+ afterschool staff



December PTA Meeting
Thursday, December 18th
6:30pm in person