

Miner PTO General Meeting

May 4, 2021

Happy Teacher Appreciation Week to our amazing Miner teachers. We are so grateful for you!

Agenda

6:00 - 6:05 Welcome & Reading of the Minutes

6:05 - 6:10 Principal's Report

6:10 - 6:15 Community School Update

6:15 - 6:25 Special Topic: Election Q&A

6:25 - 6:40 School Committee Reports

6:25 Equity Team

6:30 Green Team

6:35 LSAT

6:40 - 6:45 PTO President & VP Report

6:45 - 6:50 Treasurer & Teacher Representative Reports

6:50 - 6:55 PTO Committee Reports

6:55 - 7:00 Upcoming Events, Reminders, Opportunities

Open Comment: Other joys, concerns, or questions?



Welcome!

- Welcome to our May Virtual PTO General Meeting!
- Please remain on mute if you aren't speaking.
- All questions can be asked in the chat box - we will do our best to answer them all but if we miss yours, please ask again or feel free to email us at minerpto@gmail.com and we will be sure to answer!
- After the meeting, please reach out to us at minerpto@gmail.com to let us know what you did/did not like about the virtual format - we would LOVE your feedback!
- Next PTO meeting date: Tuesday, June 1, at 6:00pm (our final PTO meeting of the school year)



Principal's Report

Principal Jackson



Community School Update

Ms. Monica Woodson

mwoodson@ebfsc.org

<https://www.minerelementary.org/community-school.html>



March of Dimes 3K Run/Walk



Miner Elementary School is proud to present a Run & Walk 3K event to support the [March of Dimes](#). All proceeds will go to the March of Dimes Foundation.

When: Saturday, May 15th. Doors open at 9:00 AM, Race to begin at 9:30 AM

Where: Miner Elementary School Track & Field ([601 15th St NE](#))

How to Register: [EventBrite](#)

Volunteer sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508044AAD828A31-miner>

For more information, see the [Miner Team Page](#), or contact: Ms. Foskin (sheniqua.foskin@k12.dc.gov) or Ms. Woodson (mwoodson@ebfsc.org)



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MINER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PRESENTS:
**March of Dimes
3K**
RUN & WALK
*Miner Elementary
School Track*

**SATURDAY
MAY 15TH
9:00 AM**

REGISTRATION FEE:
BRONZE: \$2.10 INCLUDES WRIST BAND
SILVER: \$3.10 INCLUDES WRIST BAND AND TOWEL
GOLD: \$5.10 INCLUDES WRIST BAND, WATER BOTTLE AND TOWEL
***MASK REQUIRED.**

All proceeds will go to the March of Dimes Foundation
For more information please contact:
Ms. Foskin at sheniqua.foskin@k12.dc.gov
or Ms. Woodson at mwoodson@ebfsc.org

**REGISTRATION:
OPEN NOW**

REGISTRATION ONLINE AT
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/march-of-dimes-3k-walk-or-run-tickets-137505762437>

Gardening Club

Is your 3rd - 5th grade Miner Bear interested in gardening? Please join the virtual interest meeting for our School Gardening Club!

When: Wednesday, May 5 at 6pm

Where: Via Zoom - Meeting ID 865 5642 8735

Who: Parents/guardians and interested students!

For more info, please email [Ms. Lawson](#) or [Ms. Woodson](#)!



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Miner Elementary
presents:

Gardening Club

VIRTUAL INTEREST MEETING

May 5th at 6pm

3rd- 5th Graders



For more information, please contact Syndey Lawson at syndey.lawson@foodcorps.gov or Monica Woodson at mwoodson@ebfsc.org

Meeting ID
865 5642 8735



Special Topic: Election Q&A

Election Webpage:

<https://www.minerelementary.org/election.html>



Election Timeline

- **Wednesday, May 5 at 5pm:** Join PTO Executive Board Members and LSAT Parent Representatives for an [election information session](#)
- **Monday, May 17 at 5pm:** [Nominations \(including self-nominations\)](#) for PTO Executive Board and LSAT Parent Representative must be submitted
- **Monday, May 24:** Electronic ballot will open. Please remember, ONE VOTE PER FAMILY
- **Friday, May 28 at 5pm:** Ballot closes
- **Tuesday, June 1 at 6pm:** Winners announced and introduced at PTO General Meeting; new PTO Executive Board term begins immediately following the meeting
- **Tuesday, June 15 at 5pm:** Final LSAT meeting of current board; newly elected members are encouraged to attend
- **Tuesday, June 22 at 5pm:** PTO Leadership Team Meeting with outgoing and incoming Executive Board and Committee Chairs
- **Thursday, July 1:** New LSAT term begins



LSAT Parent Representatives

- 4 parents will be elected
- Meetings are held monthly
- Position description: Work with teachers and staff representatives on implementation of the Comprehensive School Plan (CSP). Review data in order to be informed about school needs and trends. Use assessment results to develop specific strategies for research-based school improvement. Ensure school alignment with strategic and specific goals and objectives of DCPS.
- Term: July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022
- <https://www.minerelementary.org/lSAT.html>



PTO Executive Board

- Positions:
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Teacher Representative(s)
 - Principal (not elected)
- Teacher Representative must be a teacher; all other elected positions can be held by staff or parents
- Treasurer is a 2 year position
- <https://www.minerelementary.org/parent-teacher-organization.html>



PTO Leadership Team

- Consists of Executive Board plus Committee Chairs
- PTO Committee Chairs are volunteer positions
- PTO Committees:
 - Appreciation and Recognition
 - Communications
 - Community Engagement
 - Family Engagement and Events
 - Fundraising and Grants



School Committee Reports

Equity Team
Green Team
LSAT



Equity Team Report

Co-Facilitators:

Dominique Foster, Billy Lynch, & Latoya McCarthy-Scott

Next Meeting: May 11 at 5pm

<https://www.minerelementary.org/equity-team.html>



Join the Equity Team!

Interested in joining the Team, or just learning more about it?

Membership is open to anyone in the Miner community who has an interest in increasing equity and inclusiveness in our school and our community. Team members are the heart of Miner's equity work, and are responsible for taking the lead to identify needs, develop ideas, and put plans into action.

To join:

- Email minerequityteam@gmail.com
- Come to any meeting
- Fill out this form: <https://forms.gle/BZeYZHByi4GHVrDKA>

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 11 at 5pm on Zoom (link TBD)

Tired of meetings? Our most important work occurs between meetings, so attendance at the meetings themselves is not mandatory; come to as many or as few as you like.

For more information, visit the Equity Team page on Miner's website:

<https://www.minerelementary.org/equity-team.html>



Green Team Report

Ms. Sydney Lawson
FoodCorps Service Member
sydney.lawson@foodcorps.org



Garden Update

Thanks to everyone who helped build the new garden shed!

The Earth Day Event was a huge success. Thanks so much to all the students who joined us in the garden for a fun day of activities!

We are looking for volunteers to water the garden on weekends. Please email [Ms. Lawson](#) or the [PTO](#) if you're interested!



LSAT Report

Co-Chairs: Mr. Jason Yoho & Bernadette Wittschen

Next Meeting: May 18 at 5:00pm

<https://www.minerelementary.org/lSAT.html>



Regular PTO Business



President & VP Reports

- Happy Teacher Appreciation Week to our wonderful teachers!
- Tomorrow is [Bike to School Day](#)! Join us at 7:45am in Lincoln Park!
- Thursday, May 6 at 5:30pm is the [Principal Selection Committee Meeting](#). Please join us on Microsoft Teams. We also hope you'll take a few minutes to complete this short, anonymous ["Sense of the Community" survey](#).
- [Nominations \(including self-nominations\)](#) for PTO Executive Board and LSAT Parent Representative must be received by **5pm on Monday, May 17**. Visit our [dedicated election webpage](#) for more info. Join us tomorrow at 5pm for a [Q&A Session](#) on how to become more involved in all Miner Committees.
- March of Dimes [3K Run/Walk is May 15](#)! Contact [Ms. Woodson](#) or [Ms. Foskin](#) with any questions.
- So far we have purchased over 400 KN95s and N95s. We will continue to purchase as needed, so we are still collecting funds for PPE. If you are interested in donating, please visit our [donate page](#) and indicate that your donation is for PPE supplies. Thank you!



Bike to School Day

- 7:45am Wednesday, May 5
- Join fellow Ward 6 schools and Councilmember Charles Allen in Lincoln Park (near the Mary McLeod Bethune statue)
- Share your vision for social justice (make a poster!)
- Learn about walk-up vaccine locations
- Sing along to [“Old Town Ride”](#)
- Ride your bikes/scooters or walk around Lincoln Park to support equality, justice, and safe routes to school!
- Visit the [W6PSPO website](#) for more info!



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2021 **Bike To School Day**

Wednesday
May 5
Lincoln Park
East Capitol & 13th St SE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 2021
LINCOLN PARK
EAST CAPITOL & 13TH ST SE
7:45-8:15AM

***Please wear a mask & your school gear and keep physical distance ***

Join the Bike to School Day #GoodTroubleRide • Wave hello to Ward 6 Councilmember Charles Allen • Sing along to "Old Town Ride" with violinist Siddharth • Share your vision for social justice • Learn about Walk-Up vaccine locations • Ride with MPD's 1D Bicycle Patrol • SEE your school friends!

[w6pspo.org](#) @w6pspo #GoodTroubleRide #BiketetoSchoolDay **capitol hill community foundation** [capitolhillcommunityfoundation.com](#)

The poster is a colorful grid with a central white box containing the event details. It features illustrations of a person on a bicycle wearing a top hat and a face mask, and a person in a wheelchair. A green sign with a bicycle icon and the text "BIKE TO SCHOOL DAY" is tilted in the bottom left. The background is divided into colored squares: purple, brown, pink, blue, and yellow.

Principal Selection Committee Meeting

When: Thursday, May 6 at 5:30pm via Microsoft Teams at bit.ly/minerinfosession. You can also call in at (202) 539-1291 (conference ID: 978076630#)

See the flyer to the right and scan the QR code below for [more information](#)!



Overview

Miner Elementary School is seeking family, community, and staff input as we begin the process of selecting a new principal for the 2021-2022 school year. Join us to learn about the selection process and to share your ideas about the qualities needed to be a leader at Miner.

Date and Time

Thursday, May 6 at 5:30 p.m. via Microsoft Teams at bit.ly/minerinfosession. You can also call in at (202) 539-1291 (conference ID: 978076630#).

Can't Attend the Meeting?

Share your ideas by email at bijan.verlin@k12.dc.gov or by phone at (202) 386-5055.



Nestled between Capitol Hill and the Rosedale communities in northeast Washington, D.C., Miner provides an inspiring, enthusiastic learning environment for students in PreK through 5th grade. We promote academic, social, and cultural excellence in a dynamic environment. Our Community School is supported by partnerships that assist in the improvement of student performance and academic excellence.

Miner Elementary School
601 15th Street, NE 20002
(202) 397-3960



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Sense of the Community Survey

- The Equity Team, LSAT, and PTO created a brief *anonymous* survey for members of the Miner Community to fill out.
- This survey will give you the opportunity to anonymously ensure that your voice is heard as we prepare to bring a new Principal to Miner.
- Click the [link here](#) or scan the QR code to complete the survey as soon as possible (and be sure to share it with anyone who is a stakeholder at Miner)!



Treasurer Report



Treasurer Report (This Period)

Cash Summary 4/6/21 - 5/3/21

Balance as of April 6, 2021:	\$ 39,049
Plus: Income (Apr 6 - May 3, 2021):	\$ 556*
Less: Expenses (Apr 6 - May 3, 2021):	\$ (667)
Balance as of May 3, 2021:	\$ 38,938*

**Does not include a \$195.30 PayPal donation for the Mutual Aid Network or a \$441.95 check from The Capital Candy Jar from our March fundraiser.*



Teacher Representative Report

Ms. Emma Halley, PTO Teacher Representative



PTO Committee Reports

- Appreciation & Recognition
 - Happy Teacher Appreciation Week!
- Communications: *John Muir*
 - Spirit Store!
- Community Engagement: *Brandon Scott*
 - Bike to School Day tomorrow!
- Family Engagement & Events: *Latoya McCarthy-Scott*
- Fundraising & Grants: *Abby McGill*
 - Visit our [donate page](#) to contribute to the PPE fund



Miner Spirit Store

Two ways to purchase:

- Purchase car magnets, yard signs, and t-shirts (sizes 3T - adult XXL) by emailing minerpto@gmail.com.
- Visit our online spirit store at <https://www.cafepress.com/minerelementaryschoolspiritstore>.



Upcoming Events, Reminders, & Opportunities



Upcoming Events (1 of 2)

Monday, May 3 - Friday, May 7

- **TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK!**

Wednesday, May 5

- **7:45 AM in Lincoln Park // National Bike-to-School Day:** Join families from Miner and our sister schools on Capitol Hill for this annual tradition! Meet in the park to gather and hear speeches from local dignitaries, then bike/walk together to Miner to start the day! More information [here](#).
- **5:00 PM - 6:00 PM on Zoom // PTO/LSAT Election Info Session:** PTO and LSAT elections are coming up! To prepare, we are holding an informal information and Q&A session for parents interested in learning more about parent leadership opportunities at Miner. This includes PTO, Local School Advisory Team (LSAT), Equity Team, Green Team, and the school Personnel Committee.

Thursday, May 6

- **5:30 PM on Microsoft Teams // Principal Selection Community Meeting:** The entire Miner Elementary community is invited to participate in the Principal Selection Community Meeting. This will be an opportunity for all of the school community to provide input in the qualities we seek in our next principal for the 2021-2022 school year. [Click to download the flyer](#).



Upcoming Events (2 of 2)

Tuesday, May 11

- **5:00 PM - 6:30 PM on Zoom // Miner Equity Team meeting:** All members of the Miner community are welcome to join the Equity Team as we build relationships and develop ideas and actions to improve racial equity and inclusion at Miner. Visit the [Equity Team webpage](#) for all the details. Email minerequityteam@gmail.com for the meeting login information.

Saturday, May 15

- **9:00 AM - 12:00 PM on the Miner Track & Field // March of Dimes 3K Run & Walk:** The entire Miner community is invited to join in a Run & Walk 3K event to support the [March of Dimes](#). Useful links: [Event announcement](#), [event flyer](#), and [online registration form \(via EventBrite\)](#).

Tuesday, May 18

- **5:00 PM - 6:30 PM on Zoom // LSAT Meeting:** All are welcome to observe the Local School Advisory Team's discussions with Principal Jackson. More information about the LSAT [here](#).

Tuesday, May 25

- **5:00 PM - 6:00 PM via Zoom // PTO Leadership Team Meeting:** The monthly meeting of the PTO Executive Board and Committee Chairs is open to anyone interested in attending and/or providing feedback to PTO leadership.



Reminders & Opportunities

- If you would like to run for PTO Executive Board or LSAT Parent Representative, please visit the [election webpage](#), complete the [nomination form](#), or email minerpto@gmail.com for more info.
- Please join us for [Bike to School Day](#) tomorrow morning!
- Please participate in the [Principal Selection Committee Meeting](#) on May 6 at 5:30pm and fill out this anonymous [“Sense of the Community”](#) survey.
- Please join us (as a [runner, walker](#), or [volunteer](#)) for the [March of Dimes 3K](#) on May 15!
- If you would like to donate toward our PPE fund for teachers and staff, please visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/donate.html>
- If you are interested in becoming more involved in the garden/with the Green Team (including watering the garden on weekends), contact Ms. Sydney Lawson at sydney.lawson@foodcorps.org.
- If you are interested in joining the Equity Team, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/equity-team.html> and email minerequityteam@gmail.com.



Thank You!

Any joys, questions, or concerns that you'd like to share?