

SOUTHWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

“SOARING TO SUCCESS”



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www.kentwoodps.org/southwood/

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Thank you all for attending our parent/teacher conferences here at Southwood. Our goal, every year, is to have 100% participation during conferences, so I appreciate you making this a priority in your child's education.

Just a reminder that we dismiss at 4:00 PM each day. Please make sure any changes to dismissal for your student is conveyed to the office by 2:00pm (unless it is an emergency). Calls to the classroom at the end of day to pass on messages can be disruptive to learning.

Anytime you come to the building to pick up your child(ren) prior to dismissal at 4:00 PM, you must stop in the office to sign them out. We will call your child(ren) to meet you at the office.

We ask that all of our students are on time at 8:55 AM and stay until the 4:00 PM dismissal time each day. Thank you for helping to keep our kids safe.

Jeff Overkleeft
Principal

Looking Ahead



October

Wednesday, Oct. 21
Wednesday, Oct. 28
Friday, Oct. 30

PTC Meeting @ 4:15 pm
PTC Fall Fest 5:30 – 7:00 PM
Fall Harvest Parties

November

Monday, Nov 2
Wednesday, Nov. 18
Wednesday, Nov. 25
Thursday, Nov. 26
Friday, Nov. 27

No School
PTC Meeting @ 4:15 PM
Thanksgiving Break-No School
Thanksgiving Break-No School
Thanksgiving Break-No School

December

Wednesday, Dec. 16
Thursday, Dec. 17

Friday, Dec. 18
Monday, Dec. 21

PTC Meeting @ 4:15 PM
Holiday Parties/ Time TBD
½ day 12:15 PM Dismissal
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Holiday Break Begins

PLEASE JOIN US FOR SOUTHWOOD ELEMENTARY'S



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21
4:15PM COLLABORATION CENTER

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

CHILDCARE PROVIDED DURING MEETING

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS, FALL FEST, HOLIDAY SHOP,
TEACHER NEEDS

**PARENTS, TEACHERS, GRANDPARENTS, STAFF AND
OTHER COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!**

QUESTIONS AND DONATIONS PLEASE EMAIL PTCSOUTHWOOD@GMAIL.COM



We are a Hand2Hand School!

Sign up to receive one free meal bag a week!

.Iyandikishe kugira ngo ubone agafuka kamwe k'ubuntu mu cyumweru

हप्तामा एउटा निःशुल्क खानाको झोला प्राप्त गर्न साइन अप गर्नुहोस्।

.Regístrate para recibir una bolsa de comida gratis a la semana

တစ်ပတ်လျှင် ထမင်းထုပ်တစ်ထုပ် အခမဲ့ရရှိရန် စာရင်းသွင်းလိုက်ပါ။

.Đăng ký để nhận một túi đồ ăn miễn phí mỗi tuần

سجل للحصول على وجبة مجانية واحدة أسبوعياً.

.Jisajili ili upate mfuko mmoja wa chakula bila malipo kwa wiki

SCAN TO SIGN UP:



*What's In a
Weekend Backpack?*



Bags are discreetly dropped off in students lockers.

Reach out to Hand2Hand at permissionslp@h2hkids.org

Southwood PTC
presents
**POPCORN
FRIDAYS**
every other Friday starting
October 2.

Bags of
Popcorn
50¢
each

Yearly
Popcorn
PASS
for **\$5**

All money will be due
the Thursday prior to
popcorn Friday.

no cash will be accepted on Friday



Our Lost and Found is growing! We encourage families to remind students to check the Lost and Found for any missing coats, sweatshirts, water bottles, lunch boxes, or other belongings.

Please take a moment to stop by and see if any of the items belong to your family. **Labeling jackets, coats, water bottles, and other personal items with your child's name** can also help us return lost belongings to their owners.

Thank you for helping us keep our Lost and Found under control and making sure students get their belongings back!

Happy Fall!!

The Southwood PTC is planning our second Fall Fest on Wednesday October 28th from 5:30-7pm. We need your help to make it happen! We are looking for volunteers to help with the event and volunteers to host a trunk for the trunk or treat! If you are able to help please fill out the survey below to let us know what you are available for.

Thank you!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc696MTZI3S1Dq2zU4yQeB3_iF6RO8xewZBHMQcDiYzbzuHxA/viewform



 **CALLING ALL**
TRUNK OR
TREATERS! 

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

SOUTHWOOD FALL FEST - OCTOBER 28- 5:30-7:00PM

Want to be part of the fun?

We're looking for volunteers to decorate their trunks and hand out candy during our trunk or treat.

Here's the sweet deal:

- You decorate the trunk
- PTC provides first bag of candy

It's a great way to join in the festivities, show your creativity, and help make the night magical for our Southwood students and families!



SCAN ME



Interested? Let us know by October 21.
Contact Southwood PTC via e-mail at ptcsouthwood@gmail.com

Thank you for helping us make Fall Fest fang-tastic! 

SOUTHWOOD SUPERSTAR CHALLENGE

Southwood PTC is raising money to help support student, classroom, and teacher needs as well as provide opportunities to hold special events for students!

1

**LOAD
20 EMAIL
ADDRESSES**



Materials are being sent home with students.

Our goal is to load 20 email addresses of friends and family by **October 16.**

2

**EARN
A PRIZE!**



Students will receive a prize just for entering email addresses!

3

**RAISE
\$100
BY
OCTOBER 23**



Students who raise \$100 by October 23 will get to

PIE A TEACHER!

Let's make a difference
together!