# THE SAMARITAN

The Official e-newsletter of the NPX PSO



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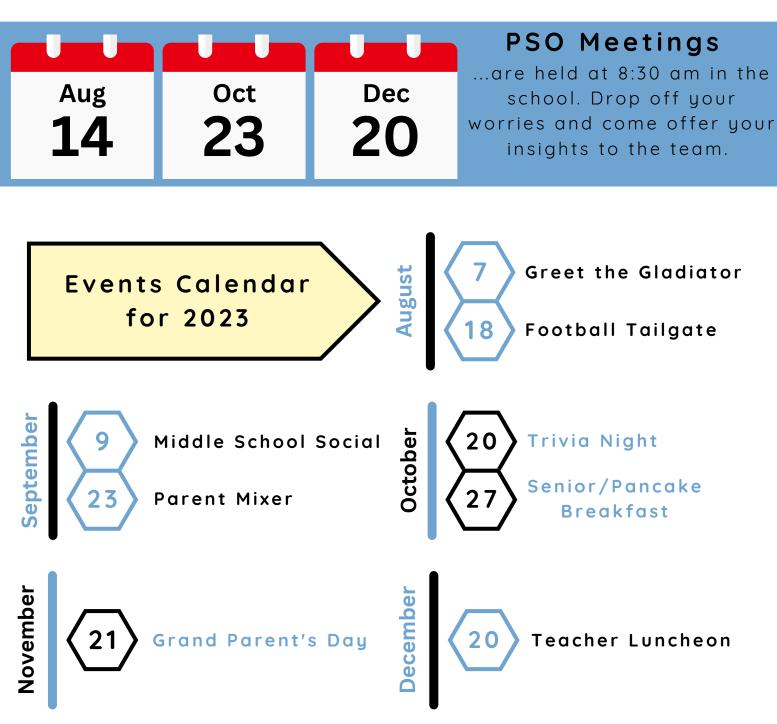
The Parent Service Organization (PSO) is a community of parent volunteers that provides a support system to enrich students' academic experience. We volunteer our time, sponsor, and promote social activities, and provide programs that support the faculty and administration in their efforts to fulfill the Great Hearts mission of cultivating the hearts and minds of students in the pursuit of Truth, Goodness and Beauty. On behalf of the PSO leadership team, I would like to welcome you to the 2023-2024 academic school year. I hope you all had a wonderful summer and are ready for what this school year will bring.

This year the PSO will be focusing on the community aspect of our charge and setting an ambitious participation goal for 50% of the school's parents to participate in a PSO sponsored event. Those events will range from volunteering at the school, attending social events, donating items, or attending restaurant nights. Achieving our mission is not cheap but there is strength in numbers and what you think is a little adds up to a lot. Our first PSO meeting is scheduled for Monday August 14 at 8:30 am and will take place in person at the school. I hope you will join us, and yes it will count towards the 50% goal.

This is my second and final year as PSO President and I'd like to walk away in May knowing that I left it better than I found it. I look forward to creating memories for our community that will last a lifetime. Thank you for your time I can't wait to meet you and yes I will forget or/and butcher your name, please accept my apologies in advance.

## **RAPTOR REGISTRATION**

There are ample opportunities for you to volunteer on campus, and this is the first step you need to take. Click the link above to register yourself in Raptor. The link explains it in detail, and after registering, you will be able to be on campus as a volunteer. Volunteer opportunities include monitoring the lunch period, chaperoning a school social, or my favorite: being a substitute teacher. Of course, you also get the bonus of embarrassing your child with your presence. Register today! It will cost you \$5 and take up to 10 days to process, but it's required for you to do anything.



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#### HELP WANTED

With the addition of 6th grade to our NPX community the school's budget and resources are spread thin. They are being asked to do more with less and that's where we can come in and supplement. Ms. Stone has expressed a need for Parent volunteers to help with duties. The Duties consist of Lunchroom monitoring, Courtyard monitoring, substitute teaching, and relieving teachers so they can sneak off and eat lunch. If you are able to commit time to the school please let me know and we will get you scheduled. You can volunteer for 1 hour or every week, it all helps to enhance our Gladiator's experience at NPX. You can email the PSO directly or attend a PSO meeting to learn more about volunteering.

Did you register in Raptor???

# Teachers List

I met with the faculty during their orientation and asked them, how can the parents make their lives easier? They spoke, I listened to most of it and ultimately came up with the Teachers List. This list has all the items our faculty requested for their classroom and the faculty lounge. There's a plethora of items you can purchase to donate, from Nespresso Coffee pods to Uno Cards. All purchases will be shipped directly to the school and all you have to do is make a few clicks. Please remember all purchases count towards our 50% participation goal for the year.

# Click Here to see the List

