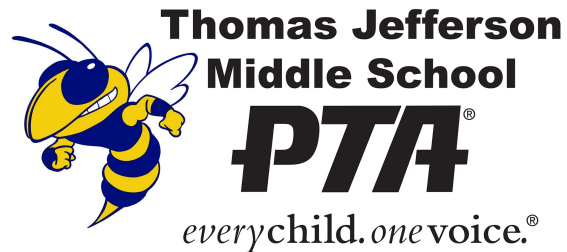


School Year 2021-2022

## Monthly TJMS PTA Meeting

April 26<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm



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# Agenda

- **Approval of Minutes – March Meeting**
- **Officer Reports**
  - President
  - Treasurer
- **Standing Committee Reports**
  - Fundraising
- **Special Committee Reports**
  - Arlington County Council of PTAs (CCPTA)
  - Jefferson Garden
- **New Business**
- **Upcoming Dates and Adjournment**
- **PTA Town Hall Q&A**
  - Invited: Principal Keisha Boggan and Director of Counseling Services Dante Hicks



# Approval of Minutes

The link to the March 15, 2022, meeting minutes was shared with members via email in advance of this meeting.

View minutes from all 2022-2023 PTA member meetings:

<https://jefferson.apsva.us/pta/meetings/>

# Officer Reports

➤ **President:** Amy Stalzer

➤ **Treasurer:** Natanya Blackwell



# President's Report

## 2022-2023 PTA Elected Officer Slate of Candidates

To stand for election at the May 17 general membership meeting:

- President – Allison Stewart (current VP)
- Vice President – nominations still being accepted
- Secretary – Jimisha Relerford (current ACTL rep)
- Treasurer – nominations still being accepted

## Call for Volunteers: PTA Committees

- Communications (email, website, Facebook, Twitter) – needed for remainder of this spring and also for 2022-2023 school year
- Membership & Engagement for 2022-2023 school year
- Audit Committee – duties in mid-summer

Learn more: <https://jefferson.apsva.us/pta/volunteering/>

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# President's Report, cont'd

## PTA-Hosted TJ Latino Parents Chat

Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> (7pm) via Zoom

- TJMS Social Worker Elizabeth Brady is the guest speaker
- Principal Keisha Boggan will be available for Q&A

## Únase a la próxima charla para padres de TJ en español

Jueves 28 de abril 2022 (7-8 pm), a través de Zoom

- Sra. Elizabeth Brady, trabajadora social de la escuela Jefferson, hablará sobre la importancia de la asistencia
- Sra. Keisha Boggan estará disponible para preguntas y respuestas

Learn more / Aprende más: <https://jefferson.apsva.us/pta/padres-latinos-de-tj/>

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# President's Report, cont'd

## **All Families Are Invited to International Night This Friday!**

Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup> (5:30pm-8:00pm), outside near the garden

- Celebration of world cultures, free and open to the community
- Learn more: <https://jefferson.apsva.us/pta/international-night/>
- Volunteer to bring cookies/treats for food tables:
  - <https://bit.ly/3tj9PhD>
- Volunteer to take a shift at the event:
  - <https://bit.ly/3OCMOyD>

## **8th Grade Promotion Reception**

Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> (9am), in the TJMS gym

- Promotion ceremony followed by reception with refreshments, music, photo station and keepsake table
- Volunteer to help with this event:
  - <https://bit.ly/3tVDOep>

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# President's Report, cont'd

## Teacher Appreciation Week: May 2-6 – “Superheroes”

- **May 2** – School Closed for Eid Holiday (*note date change*)
- **May 3** – Super Sweet Tuesday – Coffee and donuts breakfast treat. A sign will be placed on each staff member's door, and students will be encouraged to write nice notes.
- **May 4** – Nacho Average Teacher Wednesday – Taco snacks will be provided for staff.
- **May 5** – Superhero Thursday – Staff and students will be encouraged to dress as their favorite Superhero. The school ordered superhero t-shirts for the staff.
- **May 6** – Herculean Hero Friday – Hero sandwiches will be available for all staff.

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# President's Report, cont'd

## PTA-Hosted Community Presentation: “Internet Safety and Child Exploitation”

- To be presented by Tiffanie McGuire, Arlington County Police Department Youth Outreach Unit
- Early June evening to be announced, via Zoom
- More details to come

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## 2021-2022 TJMS PTA Budget

Treasurer's  
Report:  
Natanya  
Blackwell


		FY22 BUDGET	Actual Through 03.31.22	SUPPORTING NOTES
<b>INCOME</b>	<b>DUES</b>	<b>\$2,250.00</b>	<b>\$1,605.00</b>	Assumes minimum 150 paid parent members
	<b>FUNDRAISING</b>		<b>\$5,725.00</b>	Donations through Square Site and Matching Gifts
	YELLOW JACKET FUND (YEAR-ROUND)	\$5,000.00		Fund donations may be used for teacher/staff appreciation, teacher mini-grants, student recognition, Jefferson Garden maintenance, charitable giving, new student/parent engagement initiatives and more.
	RESTAURANT NIGHTS (MONTHLY)	\$1,500.00	\$493.00	Participating restaurants donate a percentage of every order back to PTA
	SHOPPING PROGRAMS (YEAR-ROUND)	\$1,000.00	\$627.49	Amazon Smile, Harris Teeter Together in Education, BoxTops for Education
	HARVEST FESTIVAL (FALL)	\$1,500.00		Food sales, pumpkin sales, other potential sales during the event
	BINGO NIGHT (WINTER)	\$500.00	\$754.00	Student-run fundraiser - new in FY2022 (date TBD)
	INTERNATIONAL NIGHT (SPRING)	\$650.00		Basket raffle fundraiser
		<b>\$10,150.00</b>	<b>\$7,599.49</b>	
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$12,400.00</b>	<b>\$9,204.49</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>ADMINISTRATIVE FEES</b>			
	BANK	\$42.75		Truist bank account (formerly BB&T)
	QUICKBOOKS	\$325.00	\$225.00	Accounting software
	INSURANCE	\$180.00	\$179.00	Annually renewed policy
	SQUARE SITE	\$357.00	\$201.83	Dues/donation payment portal fee for budgeted amounts
	CONSTANT CONTACT	\$600.00	\$400.00	PTA Buzz newsletter, email marketing
	GROUPS.IO	\$220.00		PTA email announcement list
	WEBSITE DOMAIN	\$12.00		tjmspta.org domain and related email addresses
	ARLINGTON CCPTA DUES	\$179.00		County PTA membership
	VIRGINIA PTA DUES	\$540.00	289.75	State PTA membership
	TRANSLATION SERVICES	\$500.00		Translations for meetings, minutes, etc.
		<b>\$2,955.75</b>	<b>\$1,295.58</b>	
	REFLECTIONS ARTS CONTEST (FALL)	\$200.00	\$345.57	Student recognition / participation incentives
	HARVEST FESTIVAL (FALL)	\$1,000.00	\$610.46	Expenses not covered by sponsor donations
	BINGO NIGHT (WINTER)	\$100.00	\$296.76	Expenses not covered by sponsor donations
	INTERNATIONAL NIGHT (SPRING)	\$150.00		Expenses not covered by sponsor donations
	HONOR ROLL CELEBRATIONS (QUARTERLY)	\$500.00	\$111.20	Quarterly events for honor roll students recognizing academic achievement
	8TH GRADE PROMOTION RECEPTION (YEAR-END)	\$1,500.00		Celebration of 8th graders held after school promotion event
	TEACHER MINI GRANTS	\$2,000.00	\$431.76	Funding special classroom/school initiatives that benefit students
	TEACHER/STAFF APPRECIATION	\$2,000.00	\$1,308.77	Any expenses not covered by parent contributions
	COMMUNITY SUPPORT	\$2,500.00		Charitable giving initiatives such as grocery cards for families in need, etc. *Increased from \$500 to \$2500 at the 10/26/21 Membership meeting.
	JEFFERSON GARDEN	\$1,550.00		Supplies for ongoing garden maintenance
	Unplanned		\$28.49	TJ open house
	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$14,455.75</b>	<b>\$4,428.59</b>	
<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>SURPLUS/DEFICIT</b>	<b>(\$2,055.75)</b>	<b>\$4,775.90</b>	

# Standing Committees

➤ **Fundraising:** Patricia Garcia



# Fundraising



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**THOMAS JEFFERSON  
MIDDLE SCHOOL RESTAURANT NIGHT  
MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

**APRIL**


&pizza  
Wednesday, April 27  
3924 Wilson Blvd, Arlington VA 22203  
11 am to close  
Use the code TJPTA at checkout  
50% of your sale will be donated back to the PTA!

**MAY**

Chipotle  
Wednesday, May 25  
5-9PM  
1002 S Glebe Rd, Arlington, VA, 22204  
Order online for pickup using code EP7RWHE  
33% of event sales get donated to the PTA!


**JUNE**

Cowboy Cafe  
4792 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22207  
Wednesday 1, 2022  
11:00 am- 10:00 pm



Please don't forget to mention TJMS PTA when you order.

For more information about Restaurant Nights, visit:  
<https://jefferson.apsva.us/pta/restaurant-nights/>





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**NOCHE DE RESTAURANTES DE LA ESCUELA MEDIA  
THOMAS JEFFERSON  
MARQUE SU CALENDARIO!**

**ABRIL**

&pizza  
Miércoles, 27 de abril  
3924 Wilson Blvd, Arlington VA 22203  
11 am hasta el cierre  
Use el código TJPTA al finalizar la compra  
¡El 50% de su venta será donado a la PTA!

**MAYO**

Chipotle  
Miércoles, 25 de mayo  
5-9PM  
1002 S Glebe Rd, Arlington, VA, 22204  
Ordene en línea para recoger usando el código  
EP7RWHE  
¡El 33% de las ventas del evento se donan a la PTA!

**JUNIO**

Cowboy Cafe  
4792 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22207  
Miércoles 1 de junio, 2022  
11:00am - 10:00pm



Por favor. No olvide mencionar al TJMS PTA cuando haga su pedido

Más información sobre la Noche de Restaurante en:  
<https://jefferson.apsva.us/pta/restaurant-nights/>





# Fundraising, cont'd

**PTA Restaurant Nights:** The following restaurants will donate back a percentage of all participating orders to benefit PTA programs and our school community:

- April 27<sup>th</sup> (11am-12midnight): **&pizza (Ballston)**, 3924 Wilson Blvd. – *donating 50% back*
- May 25<sup>th</sup> (5pm-9pm): **Chipotle**, 1002 S. Glebe Rd. at Columbia Pike – *donating 33% back*
- June 1<sup>st</sup> (11am-10pm): **Cowboy Cafe**, 4792 Langston Blvd. – *donating 20% back*

Learn more: <https://jefferson.apsva.us/pta/restaurant-nights/>

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# Fundraising, cont'd

**PTA Shopping Programs:** It's easy to earn money back for the PTA every time you shop – at no cost to you

- **Harris Teeter Together in Education (TIE):** Link your VIC card to “TJMS PTA (Code 3905)” at the Harris Teeter TIE website
  - 57 participants, \$239.82 earned to date
- **Amazon Smile:** To participate, start all your Amazon purchases by using the “Thomas Jefferson Middle PTA” Amazon Smile link
  - 63 participants, \$182.65 earned to date
- **BoxTops for Education:** Submit receipts to BoxTops app and designate “Jefferson Middle School” (ID 578425) as your school
  - 16 participants, \$14.80 earned to date

Learn more: <https://jefferson.apsva.us/pta/shopping-programs/>

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# Special Committee Reports

**CCPTA Report:** *Laura Cooke, CCPTA Representative*

- Surveys about standards-based report cards
- APS is working to refine J68.1 on Bullying and Harassment Prevention
- School Teams supporting student well-being can include: psychologists, social workers, behavioral specialists, and counselors
- Cell phones in middle and high school – Every school should have a policy. Helpful to be published on school website.
- APS Bell Time Study update
  - PDF Report is here: <https://bit.ly/3MtAq27>
  - School Board to take action at May 12<sup>th</sup> meeting
  - Superintendent Durán recommends middle schools start at 7:50am (i.e., no change for TJMS)

Learn more about CCPTA: <https://ccpta.apsva.us/>



# Special Committees, cont'd

**Jefferson Garden Report:** *Reidy Brown, Garden Chair*

## **TJMS Garden Club Returns!**

- First Garden Club meeting was last Friday
- Kids can just show up in the garden after school on Fridays

## **Community Workdays Every Saturday 10-noon**

- No experience necessary, family-friendly
- Sign up on the garden website: [jeffersonsgarden.org](http://jeffersonsgarden.org)

## **New PTA Garden Chair Needed**

- 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents: we need you!
- Continue the 12-year tradition of community service
- Contact Reidy Brown, [tjmsoutside@gmail.com](mailto:tjmsoutside@gmail.com)

Learn more: <https://jefferson.apsva.us/pta/the-jefferson-garden/>



# New Business

We invite issues/recommendations  
from the membership

# Upcoming Dates & Adjournment

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(11 a.m.-midnight) – &pizza Ballston, 3924 Wilson Blvd.

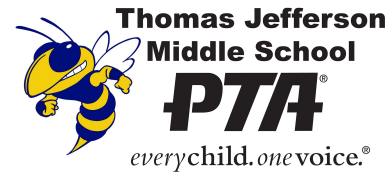
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**No School – Eid al-Fitr Holiday:** Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

**TJMS Spring Musical – “Last Weekend: The Musical”:**  
An original musical written and created by TJMS students!  
Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, and Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> (6:30pm, doors open  
at 6pm), \$5 per ticket sold at the door



# Upcoming Dates & Adjournment, cont'd

**TJMS Spring Band Concert:** Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> (7pm)

**TJMS Spring Orchestra Concert:** Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> (7pm)

**TJMS Spring Chorus Concert:** Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> (7pm)

**PTA General Membership Meeting & Officer Elections:**  
Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> (7pm) via Zoom

**PTA Restaurant Night:** Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> (5-9pm) –  
Chipotle, 1002 S. Glebe Rd.

**School Closed – Memorial Day Holiday:** Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>

