

Corinth Events

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Save the Date

Monday-Friday, May 3-7

- Go Green Week

Tuesday, May 4

- Junior Master Gardener Meeting

Wednesday, May 5, 7:00 pm

- PTA General Meeting with guest speaker Dr. Lance Snyder

Monday, May 10

- 6th Grade Olympic Festival

Thursday-Friday, May 20-21

- Field Days

Tuesday, May 25, 8:30 am

- Awards Assembly for grades 3-6

Wednesday, May 26

Last day of class for Kindergarten

Thursday, May 27

Last day of class for grades 1-6 & talent show

Dragon Dash 2010

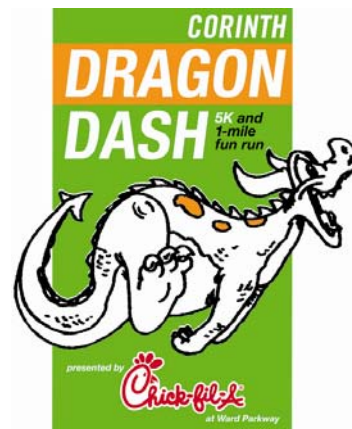
What a terrific Dragon Dash!!! We are still awaiting final fundraising numbers, but it was the biggest Dragon Dash yet. We had 810 runners!!! (492 for the 1 mile, and 318 for the 5k). Race results will be posted at school and on the www.corinthdragons.com website on Monday.

Pledges are still being counted, so the class prizes haven't been determined. Class parties and the individual pledge prizes will be distributed in the next few weeks.

All photos can be viewed and downloaded for FREE at www.brynnburnsphotography.com. Click on the Dragon Dash logo, and use "corinth" as the login and "dragons" as the password (all lower case letters).

If you still have a Dragon Dash yard sign, please e-mail Heather Foley at hfoley@kc.rr.com, and a dragon dash team member will come pick it up. We do recycle the signs from year to year.

Many thanks to Mel Wolfe and Ali Mahaffi and their outstanding committees who worked so hard to plan and prepare for the very successful Dragon Dash. Thank you to all of the corporate sponsors, volunteers and participants. It's a great day to be a Dragon!



Corinth's "Go Green Week" Sponsored by YIA!

It's National Ride Your Bike or Walk to School Week - May 3rd-7th! Ride or walk to school and be sure to check in with a YIA representative so we know that you did it. The class with the most participation this week receives a PIZZA PARTY! If you ride or walk to school every day that week, you will win a CORINTH DRAGONS WATER BOTTLE! BUT, BE SURE TO CHECK IN AT ONE OF THE DESKS IN THE HALLWAY, SO WE KNOW WHO PARTICIPATED. YOU WILL RECEIVE AN EARTH DAY STICKER TO WEAR SHOWING THAT YOU RODE OR WALKED.

Also, **CORINTH REUSABLE BAGS** will be on sale after school in the hallway on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Don't miss them!

Finally, on Friday, May 7th, we will see which class creates the lowest carbon footprint at lunch! Which class can bring the LEAST AMOUNT OF TRASH ON FRIDAY?

GO GREEN CORINTH!

PTA General Meeting

Mark your calendars for the last PTA General Meeting this year! You won't want to miss Corinth dad and orthopedic surgeon Dr. Lance Snyder talking about how to keep your kids safe when they are playing sports. The meeting will be Wednesday, May 5, at 7:00 pm in the school library. With spring soccer, baseball, lacrosse and many more sports, be sure your child stays safe and healthy. A must for every parent and coach! We will also approve the 2010-2011 slate at this meeting.

The 6th Grade Olympic Festival

The 6th Grade Olympic Festival will be held at Shawnee Mission South on May 10. The opening ceremony will be at 9:10 am, and the events begin at 9:40 am. The Corinth students' schedule will be as follows:

9:40-10:35 Running Events
10:35-11:30 Cooperative Activities
11:30-12:30 Crazy Relays
12:30-12:50 Lunch
12:50-1:50 Individual Events: High Jump, Running Long Jump, Soccer Kick, or Basketball 30 sec. shoot

Students should wear their Corinth t-shirt and dark colored shorts and running shoes. They should also wear sunscreen and bring a jacket if the weather is cool. Students should bring a sack lunch and a water bottle with their name on it.

We need two volunteers to bring the large coolers with the lunches to the stadium in the morning. If any parents could help, contact Mrs. Flaspohler at 993-2966 or email her at crlflaspo@smsd.org. We could also use a few volunteers to help run events.

Field Day

Field Day is set for May 20 and 21. Kindergarten will be in the morning on May 20, 4th-5th grades in the morning on May 21, and 1st-3rd grades in the afternoon on May 21. We still need a few more volunteers in the morning on May 21 to fill water balloons. If you would like to help please e-mail Heather Foley at hfoley@kc.rr.com.

Teacher News

Thank You

I want to thank all the students and parents for the flowers you gave me for Secretary's day. I told the first few students that came in that I would have to go get a vase. Little did I know at that time how many vases I was going to need! Thank you; again, it was such a fun day. I will really miss all of you.

Mrs. Eagle

Jump Rope for Heart and Hoops for Heart

Congratulations to all of the Corinth students who raised money for the American Heart Association. We raised \$2,240 in the Hoops for Heart and Jump Rope for Heart events. The top five fundraisers in the Hoops for Heart event were: Baylor Ashworth, Wyatt Sims, Claire Kovzan, Jacob Ronnekamp and McAuley Grief. The top five fundraisers in the Jump Rope for Heart were: Isabelle Miller, Will Bolinger, Macy Richardson, Susan Haenisch and Lilly Utt.

Other students who raised money were:

Hope Hess, Ashley Costner, Madison Costner, Katheryn Nachtigal, Caitlyn Costner, Claire Baker, Elise Baker, Emily Reed, Gabby Buck, Laura Hassett, Olivia Hartman, Olivia Fischer, Lydia Davis, Katherine Odell, Venus Gutierrez, Madeline Derusseau, Lily Eixmann, Stuti Dalal, Libby, O'Connor, Ian Middendorf, Ryan Hess, Sadie Rosenthal, Ethan Rosenthal, Culley Woods, Morgan Woods, Alex Miller, Michael Park, Will Fischer, Ella Higgins, Alden Tickwart, Enrique Castillo, Nina Trouve', Ryan Anderson and Austin Frey. Congratulations on a job well done!

100 Mile Club

The following students have made progress in the 100 Mile Club:

50 Miles – Davin Cox, Preston Cox, Caitlyn Costner

100 Miles – Chase Conderman, Cole Conderman, CJ Manne, and Sammy Ludwig, Jackson Pomeroy, Madison Costner and Ashley Costner.

End of Year Medication Policy

Parents, if your child takes prescription or over the counter (OTC) medication at school this year, please note the schedule for the return of those medications to you.

All over the counter medicine **except inhalers** will be sent home on Tuesday, May 25.

All prescription medicines will be sent home on Wednesday, May 26 **except Epi Pens and related OTC meds which will be sent home on the last day**. I will keep a dose at school for the following half day.

All inhalers will be sent home on Thursday, May 27.

Kindergarten medicines will be sent home on their last day, Wednesday, May 26.

If you requested to pick the medicine(s) up yourself, please contact me or come by my office. Thanks for your help! I wish you all a safe and happy summer!

Nurse Roberts

Guinea Pigs

I still have two adorable guinea pigs that I would be willing to give away to any student who would give them a good home! One is a girl, named Hamburger. The other is a boy, named Peanut. They are not quite two months old. They can't be given away together (unless you want to raise guinea pigs), but they would love a home on their own. Let me know if you are interested!

Susan W. Goodwin



Committee News

The PTA Needs Your Help

The PTA needs a technology person to help us communicate important messages to parents during the 2010-2011 school year. The technology committee chair helps update the website and provides guidance on small technology questions/issues throughout the year. This role involves a very small time investment and relates only maintenance as the website template and our other technologies have already been selected and implemented. The position receives limited requests from August through May. This would be a perfect position for a working professional looking to help out but wants a limited time commitment and no meetings.

Teacher Appreciation Week

This week, May 3-7, we are honoring our wonderful teachers and staff during **Teacher Appreciation Week**, with a special event each day, including a dessert day, snack day, fruit & yogurt bar and catered lunch. On Wednesday, May 5, we want to remind all students to please bring a flower and personal note or card to their teachers. Teachers and staff members will each have a vase to collect their bouquets. Thanks for your help in showing our Corinth staff how wonderful they are! Another huge thanks to the following volunteers for bringing items to help make this week happen: Marta Tietjen, Shelly Freeman, Lara Kokjer, Michelle Reeves, Diane Steen, Heidi Martin, Susie Sommers, Wynne Foster, Christy Higgins, Kerry Miller, Jeanie Pacunski, Brea Noblit, Alisa Odell, Kari Thies, Heather Hanson, Lauren Stallbaumer, Shelby Krumm, Sara Truog, Stephanie Tegtmeier, Nicole Muller, Shawn Wegner, Mary Lee Duff, Wendy Oviatt, Bonnie Maddox, Paula Longan, Amy McPhail, Amy Kirkland, Stephanie Krause, Andrea Miller, Grace DiFranco, Trish Sims, Kristy Moore, Barb Cross, Amy Turpin, Christie Walton, Margi Wilson and Emily Watts, and Molly Snyder.

The teachers and staff loved, loved, loved the **April Sensational Salads** luncheon, and thanked us profusely! We would like to send a BIG thank you to the following people for providing awesome salads, sides and desserts: Kelly Barnickel, Nacolle Burke, Jennifer Burrus, Wynne Foster, Heather Hanson, Deb Jenson, Amy Kirkland, Paula Longan, Diane Ludwig, Kim Luger, Bonnie Maddox, Heidi Martin, Amy McPhail, Kristy Moore, Robyn Moore, Bridgid Noblit, Alisa Odell, Jeanie Pacunski, Michelle Reeves, Tricia Renner, Susan Ronnekamps, Trisha Sims, Molly Snyder, Martha Stanton, Rebecca Williams and Margi Wilson.

-The Teacher Appreciation Committee

Julie Baker, Brynn Burns, Katie Smith, Angie Tucker and Mel Wolf

Dragon Dads Update

The Corinth Dragon Dads have volunteered to help with this year's Field Day activities at Corinth. The response has been fantastic; at last count we have over 30 dads signed up to volunteer! The Dragon Dads could use a few more volunteers for the kindergartners (morning of May 20) and the 4th & 5th graders (morning of May 21). We recommend sending an email to Dr. Emley (kenemley@smsd.org). We will then touch base with you as we get closer to the Field Day Events.

Thanks, and we look forward to your participation! **Corinth Dragon Dads**

P.S. If you would like to sign up as a Corinth Dragon Dad volunteer during your child's school day, please go to:
<http://corinthdragondads.blogspot.com/>.

Got used books?

Did you box up any gently used books during your spring cleaning? If so, put them to good use to raise money for Corinth at the used book sale next year. It seems like a long way off, but we are already collecting adult and children's books now! All books can be dropped off at Mel Wolf's house, 8304 High Drive, all summer long.


Back by Popular Demand . . . One Stop Shopping for School Supplies for 2010-2011

The Corinth PTA is working with the Educational Products Company to create grade level school packs. They are available for kindergarten through 6th grade. Now you can purchase all the school supplies (except backpacks) for your kids in one stop. This will also benefit Tall Oaks and students who cannot afford supplies. The supplies will be delivered before school begins, so it is very convenient. Details to come.



Parent Pay Bus Fees for 2010 – 2011

OPTION	GRADE	TYPE	COST
1	Kindergarten	One - way	\$75 per student, per semester or \$150 per year
2	K-Grade 12	Two - way	\$105 per student, per semester First semester payment due by August 16, 2010 Second semester payment due by January 3, 2011
EARLY PAY DISCOUNT	K-Grade 12	Two - way	\$85 per student per semester or \$170 per year Payment must be received or postmarked by July 1, 2010

A cartoon illustration of a yellow school bus. The bus is facing forward and has "SCHOOL BUS" written on its front. Inside the bus, several children's faces are visible through the windows. The bus has black wheels and a black grille.

The 2010-2011 parent pay contract forms will be available as of May 17, 2010 by going to the district website: <http://www.smsd.org/parents/transportation.html>, and clicking on the highlighted phrase "Bus Parent Pay Rider Agreement".

Free/Reduced Lunch Program

Beginning next year, you will be able to apply for the Free/Reduced lunch program on-line at www.smsd.org. The link will be available on July 19, 2010. Paper applications will also be available for the 2010-2011 school year. We encourage you to use the online application process as it will speed up the approval process. If you don't have access to a computer, you can visit the food service office and apply online there. Paper applications will still be available in our Food Service office at 6701 W. 83rd in the Broadmoor Technical Center Room 120 or at the school. Please apply before school starts so you can begin receiving your benefits the first day of school. It can take up to 10 days to process your application and you will be responsible for any meals your student buys before your application is processed.

Waiver of Confidentiality letters for kindergarteners can also be submitted online for anyone using the online application process.

Money Left on Lunch Account

Did you know that your student's money on their lunch account will roll over to next year? Whatever money is on your student's account on the last day of school will transfer to next year, even if your student changes schools within the district. Negative balances will also transfer, so it is important to clear those up before the end of the school year.



Nutrition Nuggets

The English and Spanish versions of "Nutrition Nuggets", purchased by Food Services, for May and other nutrition information are available on the district's website at <http://www.smsd.org/parents/foodserves.htm>.

Community News

Corinth 5th Grade Girl Scout Troop 1976

On April 26, the Corinth 5th Grade Girl Scout Troop 1976 stayed after school to help Corinth **GO GREEN!** They took part in the Blue Valley Watershed Clean Streams program by cleaning the stream next to our school. We were surprised to see just how much trash they collected, and they even had fun doing it. Way to go Girl Scouts!

Little Blue Stem

On April 28, Ben Colvin and Lillian Selby, third graders in Mrs. Floyd's class, traveled to Topeka with Judy Stanton, Junior Master Gardener, and attended a ceremonial signing at the state Capitol with Kansas Governor Mark Parkinson to enact Kansas' new state grass, "Little Blue Stem." Thank you Ben and Lillian!



PTA

PTA Board 2009-2010

President - Jennifer Dierks
President Elect - Beth Whalen
1st VP (Legislation) - Tori Sodek
2nd VP (Membership) - Meme Ternus
3rd VP (Ways & Means) - Tully Larkin
 Kelly Cannova
 Michelle Reeves
Recording Secretary - Kristy Garverick
Corresponding Secretary - Brenda Hess
Treasurer - Shelley Steahr
Assistant Treasurer - Meredith Bihuniak
Principal - Ken Emley
Faculty - Terri Sackin

PTA Committee Chairs 2009-2010

Auditor – Bonnie Maddox
Birthday Book Club - Megan Grossman
Book Fair - Kim Luger, Amy McPhail
Book Fair Dinner - Mary Beth Mitchell, Sandy Reuther, Stephanie Krause
Chat n' Chew - Margi Wilson
Citizenship Contest - Julie Erdner
Cultural Arts - Tom Styrkowicz
Directory - Sara Colvin, Jo Ellen Fritz
Dollars for Dragons - Michelle Reeves
Emergency Calling Tree - Michelle Lawrence
Field Day - Heather Foley
Garden Care - Soni Stone
Hospitality - Barb Cross, Shelby Krumm, Michelle Griffith
Ice Cream Social - Kelly Cannova, Kristy Moore
Kindergarten Round-up - Andrea Miller, Andrea Deschaine, Brynn Burns
Media - Beth Whalen
Mission Valley Liaison - Jennifer Dierks
Newsletter - Lorie Venneman
Parliamentarian - Beth Whalen
Parent Child Breakfast - Mary Beth Mitchell, Sandy Reuther, Stephanie Krause
Reflections - Jennifer Burrus
Room Parent Coordinator - Molly Snyder
Room Parent Coordinators - 6th Grade Activities - Paula Longan, Jill Kost
School Pictures - Nicole Muller
SMAC Delegates - Jennifer Dierks
Spirit Wear - Kristy O'Keefe, Amy McPhail
SME Senior Lunch - Shelle Jensen, Carol Logan
Tall Oaks - Stacey Fischer, Paula Longan, Molly Snyder, Jenny Eldred
Teacher Appreciation - Katie Smith, Brynn Burns, Angie Tucker, Julie Baker, Melissa Wolfe
Technology - Shelley Staehr, Jeff Roberts
Veteran's Day - Leslie Slaughter, Lorie Venneman
Volunteers - Christie Walton, Katie Cox
Yearbook - Kathy Swartz, Kathy Wilcox, Mary Lee Duff, Julia Dunfield
Youth-in-Action - Kristy O'Keefe, Kelly Cannova, Kristy Garverick, Tully Larkin, Amy Wulfemeyer, Jennifer Dierks