

# ROBESON ROCKET

March 2017



## PTA NEWS

### PTA Board Openings

PTA Elections are coming soon! The terms for all four board positions are coming to an end in May. The positions and responsibilities are as follows:

**President** – facilitates executive board meetings and monthly PTA meetings, signs contracts and documents, oversees committees, and sends regular communication out to members and staff.

**Vice-President** – facilitates meetings in the absence of the president, provides support and assistance to the president, and tracks PTA membership.

**Treasurer** – maintains non-profit status, pays bills, distributes monthly reports, makes the yearly budget during an executive meeting and adjusts as needed, and oversees a yearly audit.

**Secretary** – records minutes of executive and general membership meetings, sends notices of meetings, assists in counting votes, and helps keep record of bylaws and other documents.

The PTA would love to see more families at the meetings! The PTA works better the more family participation there is. If you are interested in running for one of the PTA Board positions (terms go from June 2017 to May 2018), please contact Marjorie Worthington at [marworthing@gmail.com](mailto:marworthing@gmail.com).

### Other PTA Opportunities

We are still looking for someone to serve as the parent liaison for Robeson's Building Council. Building Council is a group of teachers, a parent representative, office staff, and administration who meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 2:30 pm to discuss building-wide plans, concerns, and budget. We would also like to start a Fundraising Committee to develop new ideas to help raise money for our school. If you are interested in helping out, please contact PTA President, Jenelle Thompson-Keene, at [jent7@hotmail.com](mailto:jent7@hotmail.com).

### Spring Scholastic Book Fair

IT'S SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR TIME!!! Come to our **Buy One Get One FREE Book Fair** on:

- March 15, 2-3 pm
- March 16, 4-8 pm
- March 17, 8-11 am

All purchases benefit our school! We also need volunteers; we need YOU!!! Volunteering at the Book Fair is one of the most fun and rewarding ways to get involved in helping students become better readers! If you are interested in helping out, please email Suzanna at [suzannacoats@gmail.com](mailto:suzannacoats@gmail.com).

### PTA Meeting

There will be no PTA meeting in March due to parent/teacher conferences and the Book Fair. The next meeting will be on **Tuesday, April 18 at 6 pm**.

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## SCHOOL NEWS

### Sock Drive

Robeson Rocked the Socks! Thanks to Robeson Families, 560+ pairs of socks, from baby to adult sizes, were donated to help those in need. Way to go Robeson for making Pairs to Share a success!

### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Blood Drive

Thank you to everyone who donated blood and/or helped organize last month's blood drive! Community Blood Services of Illinois collected 20 pints of blood in the bloodmobile – enough to save 60 lives! There were three additional donors at the

Center. Robeson 1st Graders will receive a Life Saving Grant of \$273 toward their field trip in April!

event please contact Mrs. Reger at [regerma@u4sd.org](mailto:regerma@u4sd.org).

### Library News

On Thursday, March 2, Robeson joined other schools across the nation and celebrated Read Across America Day. The special day included:

- Our intermediate students reading to their younger reading buddies;
- Each student at Robeson selecting a book to keep from the wide variety of books that the PTA graciously purchased;
- Guest readers visiting the classrooms to read to the students; and
- Students dressing as or bringing their favorite stuffed animal.

Robeson celebrated Read Across America for an entire week from February 27 to March 3. Each day had a different Dr. Seuss theme, like Crazy Hats/Hair, Mustaches, Silly Socks, and Dressing as a Dr. Seuss character.

The Library is in need of new or gently used board books. If you are starting your spring cleaning early, please bring in any gently used board books your family no longer needs. Or, if you are able, please donate new books. Thank you!

### Robeson's Multicultural Night

Multicultural Night is approaching! Letters went home recently, which included sign-ups for tables displaying your country background or sharing a skill or performance. The letter also provided directions for making a travel brochure to your child's hometown, home state, or home country. We're very excited to learn all about our world on April 27th! If you have questions or would like to help with this

### PE News

During March, Ms. D will be fitness testing students in 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades. The students will be performing the pacer test, the sit up test, the push up test, and the trunk lift test. Please make sure that your students wear their PE shoes throughout the month of March!

### Martial Arts After School Club

Once again Robeson will be offering the popular Martial Arts After School Club sponsored by Leaders for Life Martial Arts Academy! Mrs. Reger will assist certified instructors from Leaders for Life Martial Arts in teaching your children to stand up to bullies, believe in themselves, follow directions, be good citizens, and have fun while learning some safe martial arts skills. The Club will meet on the following **Tuesdays from 2:15 to 3 pm: March 7, 14, 28 and April 4**. Sign-up forms have been sent home. There is a suggested, but not required, \$20 donation that goes to the Robeson PTA. ALL grades are welcome! All forms and donations are due no later than **Monday, March 6**. Please contact Mrs. Reger at [regerma@u4sd.org](mailto:regerma@u4sd.org) with any questions.

### Drama Club Update

Conjunction Junction, what's your function? ..... Well, the drama club is functioning at top speed! The members of the club have been working hard learning songs for their production of Schoolhouse Rock. In addition to this production, some members of the drama club have started helping to make PBIS videos for Robeson.

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### UPCOMING DATES

- Mar 15-17 (Wed-Fri) – Scholastic Book Fair
- Mar 16-17 (Thu-Fri) – No School (for students), Parent Teacher Conferences
- Mar 20-24 (Mon-Fri) – No School, Spring Break
- Apr 14 (Fri) – No School, Spring Holiday
- Apr 17 (Mon) – No School, Spring Holiday
- Apr 18 (Tue) – PTA Meeting, 6 pm
- Apr 27 (Thu) – Multicultural Night