

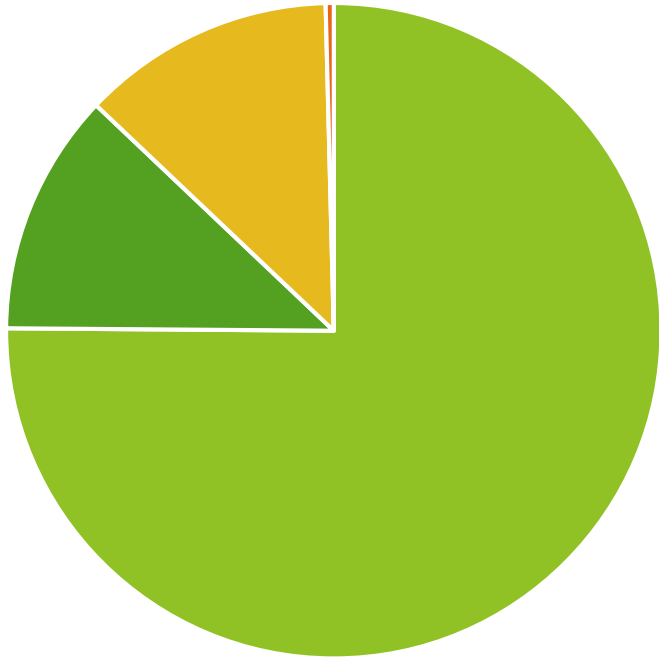


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# Kenmore Middle School PTA

A Year in Review: 2018-2019

# The Community We Serve



- Students
- PTA Members
- Teachers and Staff
- Administrators



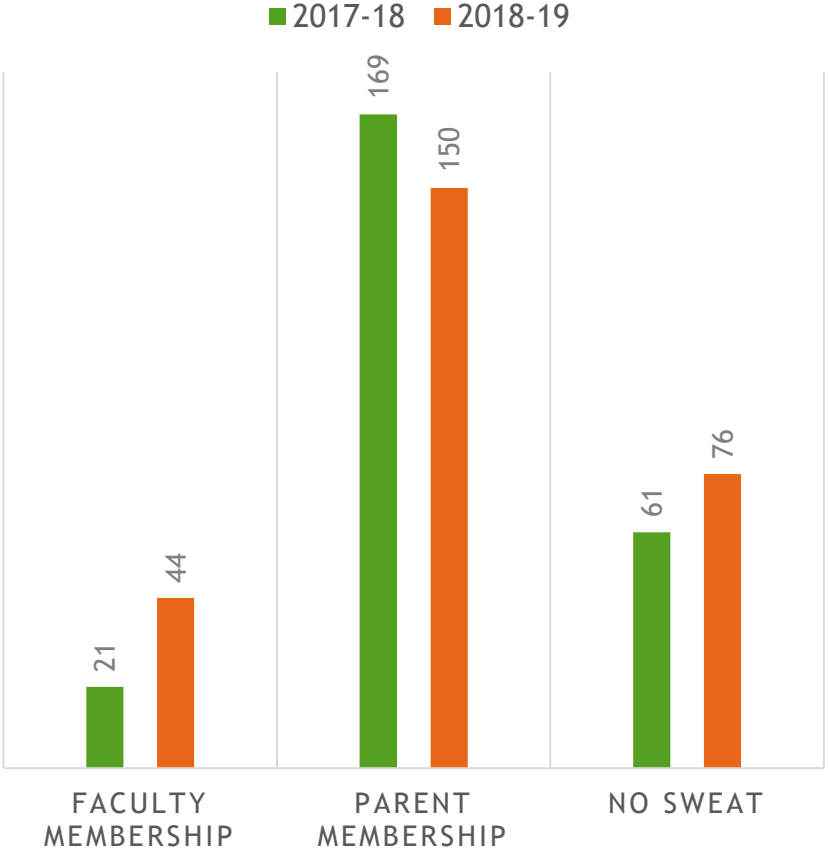
# Fundraising & Community Building

Through special events, membership drives, grocery purchases, product sales and generous donations, the Kenmore PTA collectively raised ~\$30K to support enrichment activities for the students and the school.

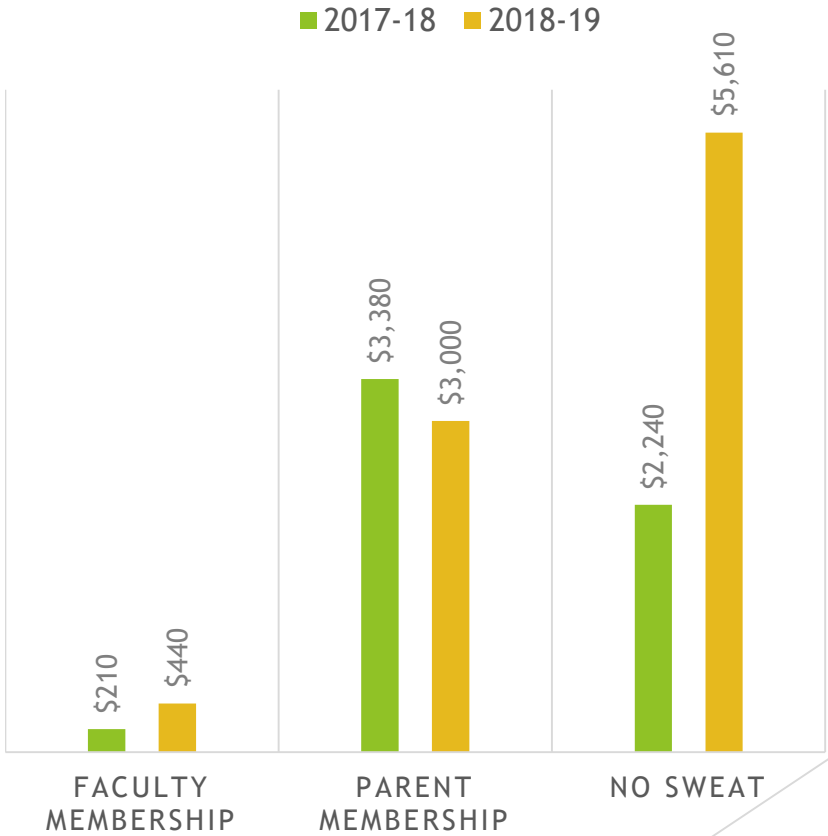
- ▶ Highlights of efforts that put the FUN back in fundraising and helped build up our community:
  - Kenmore 5K
  - Kenmore Dines Out!
  - Shopping (Grocery + Amazon)
  - Garden Day
  - Silent Auction
  - Potlucks
  - Wednesday Moms
- ▶ Thank you to all our members for your individual efforts in supporting the PTA!

# PTA Membership

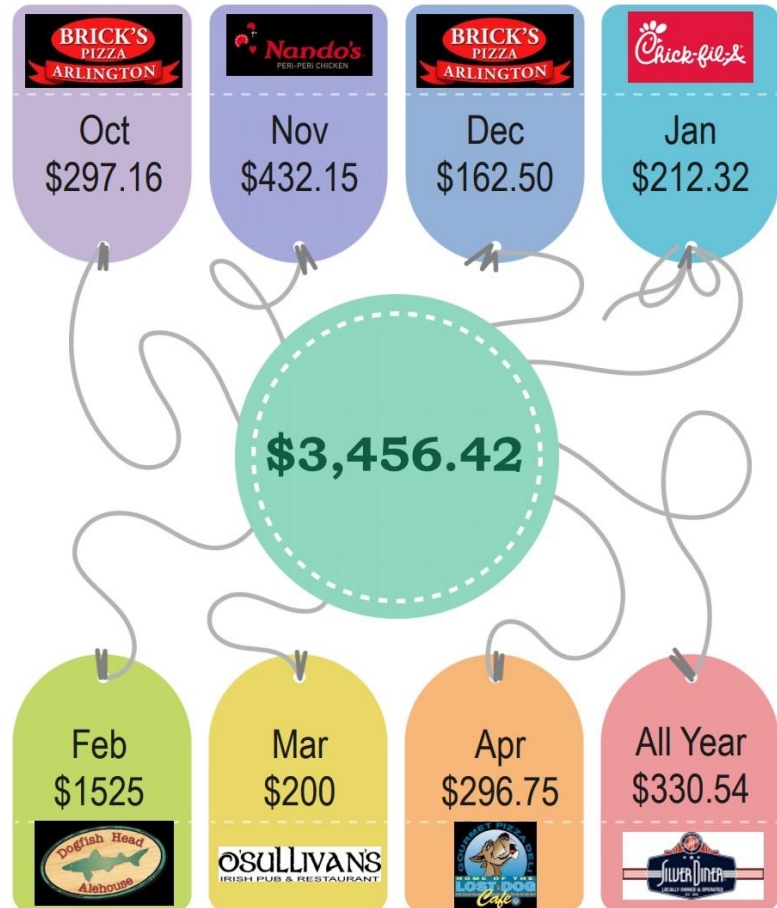
## # of Supporting Members



## Funds Raised via Membership



Thanks to Kendra Anderson, our Membership Chair, for keeping track all year long!



## Kenmore Dines Out!

- ▶ Thanks to our KDO Chair, Anika Kwinana, we are on track to raise nearly \$4,000 this year through this delicious fundraiser alone!
- ▶ Our next Kenmore Dines Out is this Thursday, May 16, from 3 p.m. - 9 p.m., at Pupatella Pizzeria, 5104 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22205. Mention "Kenmore Middle School Fundraiser" when dining in or carrying out. Kenmore will receive 25% of all receipts!

# Grants

	# of Requests	\$ of Requests
Fall 2018	24	\$ 28,215
Spring 2019	8	\$ 9,585
Total	32	\$ 37,800

# Grants cont.

- ▶ All grant applications were funded, at least in part
- ▶ Awards totaled ~\$14K
- ▶ Grant size ranged from \$100 to \$2400
- ▶ Sampling of grants:
  - IXL subscriptions
  - Book purchases for guest author visits
  - Bowen McCauley Dance Academy
  - Buses for field trips
  - Music festival in Hershey Park
  - Materials for school murals
  - Bike trainers and bike maintenance
  - Simultaneous translation equipment

Thanks to Lisa Coll, chair, and members of the Grants committee for supporting this vital work!

# Notes from the field...

Good afternoon PTA,

I would like to officially thank the PTA for its support of our social studies curriculum this year by funding \$700 toward the cost of buses to the U.S. Capitol. All of our 7th grade students--as well as students from other communities in our school--got to see first-hand what our government looks like when they are working because of your support. We were there when Congress was using its powers of confirmation--a check on the executive; students heard arguments for and against the confirmation of judges and cabinet positions. We were there when the Vice President broke a tie vote. They heard debate on the environment, social programs, and other top issues. Our students saw the beautiful architecture of the building and learned of its history. Your money helped bring civics to life! Thank you so much!

Andy Paparella

7th Grade Social Studies Teacher



# Spirit Gear

Thanks to our Spirit Gear chair, Monica Armas-Bonzano, there are now:

- ▶ 60 car magnets rolling around the streets of Arlington
- ▶ 84 groovy tie-dyed yellow,
- ▶ 90 forest green and,
- ▶ 64 long sleeved funky T-shirts walking the halls of Kenmore
- ▶ All of which raised ~\$1400 for the school and will provide community spirit for years to come



# Outdoor Classroom

Thanks to Ann Marie Douglass, our new Outdoor Classroom chair, and with support of the larger community and 60 volunteers (!) we:



- ▶ Expanded our campus and Arlington's tree canopy with 5 River Birches
- ▶ Created a sensory garden
- ▶ Expanded the butterfly garden (now an official monarch way station)
- ▶ Enhanced the art garden in the back and planted 2 blueberry bushes
- ▶ Built incredible edible schoolyards
- ▶ Beautified and potentialized the places where our children learn



# Hispanic Parents Committee & the Wednesday Moms

- ▶ # of Wednesday Moms that meet weekly to support KMS: >22
- ▶ # of Thunder sticks blown up by Wednesday Moms for ESPN event: >2,000
- ▶ # of Meals made or served to KMS staff, volunteers and faculty courtesy of HPC and Wednesday Moms: >2,000
- ▶ # of Parents attending Hispanic Heritage Night: 218
- ▶ # of Parents typically attending monthly HPC meetings: 24-52
- ▶ # of time Janeth corrected Google translations: too many to count
- ▶ # of Backpacks filled with first day packet info: 942
- ▶ # of ways the HPC and Wednesday Moms made the Kenmore community better: countless

Special thanks to Janeth Valenzuela, whose grassroots community building skills have made KMS a more inclusive and welcoming environment for everyone.

# Silent Auction

- ▶ Thanks to Kelly Krug, Silent Auction chair, our biggest fundraiser of the year continued to keep our books healthy!
- ▶ Over \$16,000 raised during our 100% online auction, held March 5-20
- ▶ Fun Facts:
  - ▶ 158 items auctioned off
  - ▶ >500 bids
  - ▶ Hottest bidding item: Ballston Quarter Experience



# Special Events

- ▶ Back-to-School Staff and Teacher Lunch
- ▶ 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation
- ▶ Back to School Potluck/First PTA Meeting
- ▶ Hispanic Heritage Night
- ▶ Faster Than My Teacher 5K
- ▶ Kenmore Dines Out (9)
- ▶ Kenmore Craft Fair & Vintage Market
- ▶ Silent Auction
- ▶ Science Fair
- ▶ Garden Day
- ▶ Teacher Appreciation Week
- ▶ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion
- ▶ And more!
- ▶ PLUS:
  - 8 PTA Meetings
  - 7 Hispanic Parent Committee Meetings
  - 30 Wednesday Moms Meetings

# Outgoing 2018-2019 PTA Officers

- ▶ President: Fran Cloe
- ▶ Vice President: Colleen Coyne
- ▶ Treasurer: Kelly Krug
- ▶ Secretary: Julie Halferty
- ▶ Teacher Liaison: Ed Bracken
- ▶ Hispanic Parents Committee Chair: Janeth Valenzuela
- ▶ Grants Committee Chair: Lisa Coll
- ▶ Principal: David McBride

Thanks to all committee members, officers, chairs, members, donors and volunteers - you made a difference! We couldn't have done it without you.

# Incoming 2019-2020 PTA Officers

- ▶ President: Stacey Finkel
- ▶ Vice President: Kelly Krug
- ▶ Treasurer: Kendra Anderson
- ▶ Secretary: Julie Halferty
- ▶ Teacher Liaison: Ed Bracken
- ▶ Hispanic Parents Committee Chair: Janeth Valenzuela
- ▶ Grants Committee Chair: Lisa Coll
- ▶ CCPTA Delegate: Lisa Blackwell
- ▶ Principal: David McBride

Best wishes for a wonderful school year to the newly appointed 2019-2020 PTA Officers and Chairs



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# Have a Great Summer!

See you soon