

WELCOME TO THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR AT PS 196!

Who is the Parents Association? YOU ARE!

First and foremost, YOU are the Parents Association! Every parent or guardian of a child at PS196 is automatically a member of the Parents Association. The PA Executive Board and all event Chairs are all parent volunteers, just like you. Parent involvement is why we are so successful!

Volunteer

Volunteers make everything happen and all support is greatly appreciated! There are a variety of different ways for parents/guardians to participate and contribute, and all are encouraged to get involved. Consider becoming a class parent, or volunteering to help at, or chair a PA event. Whether you can commit to one hour, one day, or several days, any help is appreciated.

Please reach out to us at:

info@pa196.org

We'd love to hear any ideas and thoughts you may have, answer any questions, and share more information on how to get further involved.

PA MEETINGS 2019-2020

at 7:30 PM in the school cafeteria

Mark your Calendars!

SEPTEMBER 17TH @7:00 PM*

OCTOBER 15TH

NOVEMBER 19TH

DECEMBER 17TH

JANUARY 21ST

FEBRUARY 25TH

MARCH 17TH

APRIL 28TH

MAY 19TH

JUNE 16TH @7:00 PM*

PA Meetings are at 7:30 PM, in the cafeteria, immediately following the monthly Star Student Awards. Snacks are provided.

Our Kids Night Out Program, provides soccer action (led by Soccer Friends) and/or babysitting in the gym while you attend the PA meeting. A great night out for both parents and their children.

YOUR PA BOARD

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COMMUNICATION

Visit our Website:

WWW.PA196.ORG

By checking our website you can get access to all the latest events and activities.

Download our app on your phone for easy access for all info.

4 EASY STEPS:

1. Open www.pa196.org on your iPhone
2. Click Add to "Home Screen"
3. Choose a name for your app like PA196 and press "Add"

4. THE APP WILL SHOW ON YOUR HOME SCREEN!

*This also works for iPads, Androids (You'll find three vertical dots on the top, click on that, then add to "Home Screen") and other cellular devices, too.

Email us at:

INFO@PA196.ORG

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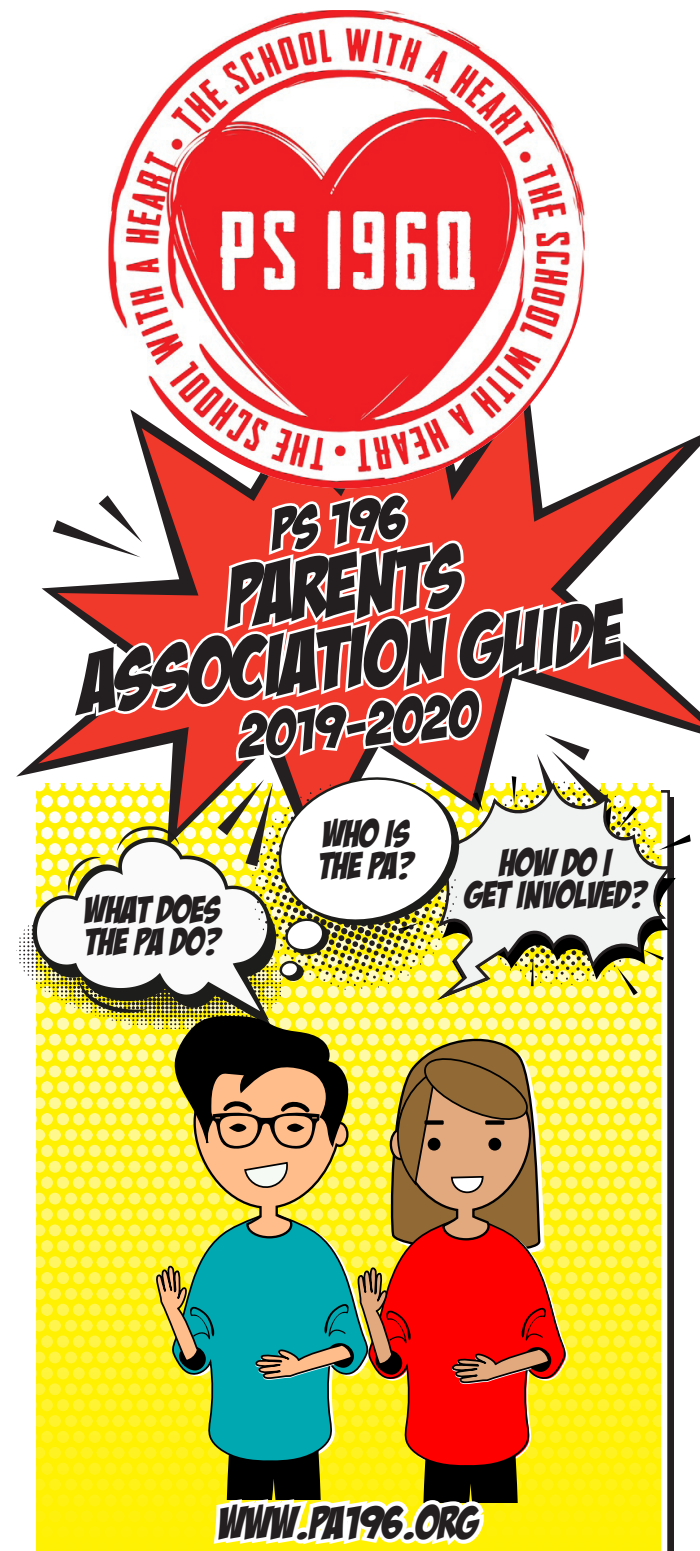
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WELLNESS COUNCIL

Dedicated to helping the School with a Heart be the School with a Healthy Heart Too, the PS196 Wellness Council supports healthy foods and nutrition, safety, fitness and social/emotional wellness. Our school won a NYC Excellence in School Wellness Platinum Award 2 years in a row, and we hope to do so again this year!

WHAT TO EXPECT THIS YEAR: OUR GARDEN

Have you seen our amazing garden? Check it out on the side of school along 72nd Ave. Students, teachers and PS 196 families work together to plant and nurture vegetables, herbs and flowering plants. Join us!

FAMILY FITNESS FUN DAYS

About once a month, on a Saturday or Sunday, students can bring their family to the gym to exercise, followed by a light brunch. Activities include Basketball, Capoeira, Yoga, and more.

COOKING LABS

Partnering with Wellness in the Schools (a national non-profit that encourages a healthy environment around food, nutrition and exercise) to share hands-on healthy recipes with our students.

OUR PS 196 COMMUNITY

OUR PS 196 AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

We have a wonderful and enriching After School Program, Monday - Friday. Check it Out! Single day options are also available.

Holidays - For most holidays, we have full day programs packed with fun activities.

We also have an early morning/before school program, Monday-Thursday 7:30 am drop off. And we do amazing classroom celebrations for Birthdays.

For more information:

afterschoolps196.org

Any questions, please contact Maria Romero at info@afterschoolps196.org

SLT -SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAM

The SLT is comprised of parents, teachers & administration. The SLT meets monthly to assist in the evaluation and assessment of educational programs and their effects on student achievement. The SLT is responsible for developing our school's Comprehensive Education Plan. SLT members are elected and serve 2-year terms. Recaps of SLT meetings are shared at our monthly PA meetings.

2019-2020 EVENTS

Mark your calendar! Here are some of the great events we have coming this year:

KINDERGARTEN MEET & GREET PLAY DATE August

ANTI-BULLYING ASSEMBLY September

PICTURE DAY October

HALLOWEEN PARTY October

AUTHOR VISITS October - December

I ♥ PS196 DANCE February

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR March

INTERNATIONAL NIGHT March

PROJECT ART RESIDENCIES March - May

LASER LIGHT SHOW April

MOTHER'S DAY PLANT SALE May

BRAIN CHALLENGE GAME SHOW ASSEMBLY May

CARNIVAL/FIELD DAY June

RESTAURANT FUNDRAISERS Monthly

SPOTLIGHT MAGAZINE/STUDENT PUBLICATION

SPIRITWEAR

BOOK SWAPS

PAINT NIGHT/MOVIE NIGHT

More to come....

Any ideas- please contact the Parents Association

PS 196 PARENTS

ASSOCIATION

WELCOMES YOU

RIISING NEW YORK RUNNERS

Through this NY Road Runners club program, the physical education teachers work with our students to set goals to run/walk a certain distance over the course of the year. The children find it motivating and rewarding!

FAMILY COOK NIGHTS

Interactive events of healthy vegetarian cooking for families! Approximately every other month, our little chefs (and adults) can mix, measure and even chop their way to cooking up fun culinary delights.

COMPASSIONATE COMMUNICATION WORKSHOP

This parenting workshop offers parents/caregivers tools to better communicate with their children, for more harmony!

PLUS...

Internet safety workshops for both parents & kids, supporting active indoor recess, and more! Please email the pa196.org with any additional suggestions.

Please email wellness196@gmail.com for more info or to get involved.

CLASS TRIP T-SHIRTS

Don't forget to order your PS 196 class trip T-Shirts for all class trips. Safety is important to our school! T-shirts can be purchased thru the PA at www.pa196.org/tripshirts.html

THE FIFTH GRADE COMMITTEE

The Fifth Grade Committee organizes events for our Graduating Class. If your child is in 5th grade please get involved to help make this year their best year yet! 5thgrade@pa196.org

CLASS PARENTS

Class parents help coordinate communication between the teachers, parents and the PA. They plan classroom celebrations and inform parents of all school events. Class parents are expected to attend all PA meetings.

TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY AND LUNCHEON

We are so proud of, and thankful for, our teachers and we let them know it! Each year we plan a special luncheon in June to show our appreciation.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES - THE WRITE STUFF

Enjoy your summer and let someone else take care of collecting all start-of-school supplies, while supporting PS 196 at the same time. Details will be sent towards April/May on how to order and pay through The Write Stuff and have everything delivered to your home! www.write-stuff.com

FUNDRAISING

As a school community we hold fundraising events throughout the year to help support such activities as our project arts residencies, author visits, assemblies, school dances, and the latest technology for our children.

Our PS 196 families are asked to contribute, when able, to support PA sponsored events and our school. No donation is too large or too small, and all are very gratefully appreciated. Information will be sent home in September.

ANNUAL APPEAL

The Annual Appeal is the yearlong fundraising campaign for the PA of P.S. 196Q. It is one of the largest sources of funds for our PA and this initiative fully funds over 50% of our programs while partially funding all others.

You may donate with a credit card by going to the online donation page <http://www.pa196.org/annualappeal.html>

You may also donate with a check made payable to **PA of P.S. 196Q**, include your child's name and class number. You can put the check in an envelope labeled Annual Appeal in your child's folder and the teacher will deliver it to the PA mailbox.