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TALBOT TIMES PTA NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2019

FROM MARY HUDALLA, PTA PRESIDENT

Dear Talbot Families,

Welcome back to another school year here at Talbot Elementary! Summer was a whirlwind, and while I enjoyed every fun moment, I welcome the structure that the school year brings. I am excited to be back for a second year as your PTA President. We have a very active parent volunteer community who works closely with teachers, staff, and administration to create fun and enriching experiences for your child each year.

Coming up this Fall, we have our major fundraising event, the Boosterthon Fun Run, Dad's Take your Child to School Day, our first Book Fair, and Carnival, which are all very fun times for kids and adults alike! In order to make these events a success, we need volunteers like you! No matter how big or small you feel your contribution will be, it truly takes a village! I love our school village and hope you will become an active part in your child's education and fun and enjoy all Talbot has to offer!

We encourage you to attend our PTA meetings, which are generally held at 8:00 a.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria to find out the latest PTA sponsored school happenings. Younger siblings are welcome! We also do our best to keep you informed through flyers that will be sent home in your child's folder to let you know about upcoming events as well as our newsletter, which comes home most months. You can also "like" us on Facebook at the Talbot PTA page.

We are looking forward to a fabulous school year! Mary Hudalla, Talbot PTA President

Principal's Corner

Dear Talbot Families,

It is hard to believe that the new school year has started! It has been so nice to see all of our returning families, and we are so excited to have some new families join the Talbot Tiger team!

We have many exciting events scheduled for the month of September. On Thursday, September 12, 2019, we will hold our Open House. Parents of students in Pre-K through 2nd grade are invited to visit your child's classroom from 6:00 until 7:00 p.m. Presentations for families with students in grades 3 through 5 will take place from 7:15 until 8:15 p.m. The teachers will be sharing important information about class procedures and expectations.

Our incredible PTA will host our first fundraiser, Boosterthon, on Friday, September 13. Students will participate in a "fun run" on the back field.

Wednesday, September 25, 2019 is Dads Take Your Child to School Day. Please join us in the cafeteria for breakfast.

Our first Book Fair of the year will begin Friday, September 27 and run through Friday, October 3. We hope to can come shop for some exciting new books!

Welcome back! I look forward to seeing everyone at Open House on Thursday, September 12, 2019!

Mrs. Dell, Principal

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DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER 4
BOOSTERTHON FUNDRAISER
PEP RALLY

SEPTEMBER 10 PTA MEETING 8:00-9:00 AM

SEPTEMBER 12 OPEN HOUSE

SEPTEMBER 13
BOOSTERTHON FUNDRAISER
FUN RUN

SEPTEMBER 19 INTERIM REPORTS GO HOME

SEPTEMBER 25
DADS TAKE YOUR CHILD
TO SCHOOL DAY

SEPTEMBER 27 BOOK FAIR BEGINS 9/27 - 10/4

OCTOBER 1
BOX TOP CONTEST
BEGINS

OCTOBER 1 & 3
BOOK FAIR FAMILY NIGHTS
5-7 PM

OCTOBER 3
FALL PICTURE DAY

OCTOBER 4 NO SCHOOL UF HOMECOMING

OCTOBER 8 PTA MEETING 8:00-9:00 AM

OCTOBER 17
BOX TOPS CONTEST
ENDS

OCTOBER 17 TALBOT CARNIVAL

OCTOBER 18 NO SCHOOL TEACHER WORKDAY Hey Talbot Families please take a minute and Like & follow "Talbot PTA" on FaceBook for regular updates, important information, and invitations to get involved. Be sure to "follow" us and select the option to see our posts "first." And invite your Talbot friends to follow us too.



During the week of September 23–27th, 2019, Talbot Elementary along with thousands of schools and youth organizations across the United States will participate in *Start With Hello* Week. This program teaches students, grades K–12, the skills they need to create a culture of inclusion and connectedness. When we reach out to those that are feeling

left out, lonely or being treated as invisible, it can make a huge difference in their lives. Look for more information coming home in your child's backpack about Start With Hello.

Fall Box Top Contest October 1—17



Dear Families,

The Box Tops for Education program is changing the way we can earn cash for our school!

Over the summer, participating brands have begun to change their packaging from the traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Tops label.









Going forward, instead of clipping from packages and checking expiration dates, all Box Tops will be earned digitally by scanning your receipt. The Box Tops for Education team has worked hard to build a NEW-and-improved, user-friendly Box Tops mobile app, available now.

The new app features state-of-the-art technology that allows you to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

BE SURE TO DOWNLOAD THE NEW APP OR UPDATE YOUR EXISTING APP:





If you still have traditional Box Tops clips at home, make sure to send them to school. We will still earn cash for all clipped Box Tops until they expire. Better yet, you can "double dip" during the packaging transition by clipping traditional Box Tops AND scanning your store receipt containing participating products.

Thanks for helping our school get what it needs!

LEARN MORE ABOUT THESE CHANGES AT

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Talbot Elementary PTA Membership Form

Please complete and turn in to your child's teacher or the front office with attached dues.

Annual PTA Dues: \$5 per person

(If both parents would like to be members they must each pay annual dues)
Please make checks payable to "Talbot PTA"

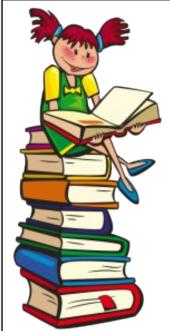
Use the link below to sign up online and pay with your credit/debit card.

https://talbot-tigers.memberhub.store/

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Talbot thanks you for your support!!

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BOOK FAIRSeptember 27th - October 4th

Come join us on Family Nights October 1st and October 3rd from 5-7 PM in the Library

MORE INFORMATION COMING HOME SOON!



2019-2020 Talbot T-shirt



ORDER YOUR TALBOT TIGER T-SHIRTS TODAY

Talbot T-shirts are acceptable to wear every day of the week.

For questions regarding T-shirt orders please contact the PTA T-shirt chair, Ashley Fiedler ashalica@icloud.com

Order online at https://talbot-tigers.memberhub.store/

2019-2020 TALBOT T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

\$10 each Please specify quantity

Cash or check (payable to Talbot PTA)

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Welcome Back Talbot Tigers!

We are excited to get going with our Morning Mile program.

This year, Morning Mile will begin at 7:15 AM and end at 7:33 AM allowing students 18 minutes to run, jog or walk to earn as many laps as they can.

A few important things to keep in mind:

- Morning Mile begins on Tuesday, September 3rd.
- Students will get rewarded with a foot token for every 5 miles, which can be placed on a necklace after they have earned their first foot.
- At every 100 miles, students will earn a new special token to commemorate the 100 mile mark.
- Award ceremony will take place at the end of the year. Date TBA.
- Morning Mile will be cancelled if it is raining at 7:00 the morning of.
- Please check out our Morning Mile page on our Talbot Elementary website for more information.
- We would love for parents to help volunteer with the Morning Mile program. If you are interested, please contact Shannon Austin, Morning Mile PTA Committee Chair.

We would also love to have your participation in the kids marathon event and/or the 5k during the Five Points of Life races in February 2020. More information will be coming. The school with the highest number of participants on race day earns funds for the school, we missed out by one runner last year! We can work together for two great causes, Five Points of Life and Talbot Elementary. This money will go straight into our Morning Mile program. We hope you will consider signing up for The 5 Points of Life Gainesville Kids Marathon!

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Morning Mile track!



Upcoming PTA Meetings
Everyone is Welcome!

8:00-9:00am in the cafeteria

September 10

October 8

November 12



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Volunteer Opportunities—Make a Difference

I hope that you will be able to volunteer at Talbot this year. Just 30 minutes of your time can make a difference! In this letter I have listed the many different opportunities that exist for you to contribute to our school. Read through these descriptions and remember to fill out the other side of this form and the online **Alachua County Volunteer Application** (located at Bit.ly/ACPS/app). Volunteering is a great way to help your children, teachers, the PTA, Talbot and the community!

Classroom

Class Helper - Assists in daily classroom activities as assigned by teacher.

Field Trip Chaperone - Accompanies class, may be responsible for assigned students.

Mentor/Tutor - Assist teachers by working one on one with students.

School Sponsored

Health Screening - Assist school nurse in measuring students and recording information.

Jump Rope for Heart - Operate jump rope for younger students/ collect, count donations.

Media Center - Library helper. Training and assignments by Media Specialist.

Morning Mile - Supervise and record students' laps around track.

Great Leaps - Do reading exercises one on one with assigned student(s).

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Book Fairs - Set up book displays, run cash register, assist students in making wish lists, finding books and prices. Many volunteers support the book fair chairs.

Box Tops - Clip and Count twice a year. Help teachers organize reward parties.

Carnival - Planning team to help with coordination of volunteers, prizes, tickets, concessions and other carnival related jobs as assigned by the carnival chair. General volunteers work 1/2 hour shifts at grade-level booths and help set up and clean up the day of carnival.

Fitness & Nutrition Fair - Help contact fitness/nutrition related groups for demos at our annual fair, help set up/clean up for the event, contacting sponsors.

Fall Fundraiser - Help coordinate and organize fundraiser (Boosterthon/Fun Run) including collecting money and pledges, distributing prizes, setting up track, tables, handing out water on day of run, and support chair person.

International Fair - Represent and provide information about a country, set up/clean up displays, collect tickets and/or money for food items, volunteers support the event chair.

Silent Auction - Contact businesses for products and services for auction baskets.

Holiday Food Drive – Cover boxes to place in grade Centrums and outside classrooms for collection. Collect and organize donations, and shop for cold items.

Holiday Gift Drive - Assist with collection of gifts and wrap gifts before distribution

Teacher Appreciation Week - Provide food and supplies for teachers' meal, collect and organize materials for gifts, decorate and set up cafeteria, serve food to teachers and staff.

Tiger Trot - Coordinate awards. Organize volunteers. Layout and mark the course. Team of volunteers supports the chair.

Yearbook - Collection of materials, aid in taking classroom pictures, layout and production.

Small Project Helper - I have some daytime availability and enjoy working on fun projects for a couple of hours with no planning or commitment - in and out, that's me!

Spring Fundraiser - Sort Students' art work and items ordered

Leader - I love to plan and get my fingers in the mix! Can you help me find an area that fits my time and talents best? **Something I can do from home** - I can't always get up to school-send something home to me and I'll get it done



Are you creative? Do you have skills in Publisher or do you want to learn Publisher? If so, then publishing the Talbot Times Newsletter is right for you!

Contact Gretchen Loyd at gretchen.loyd@gmail.com for more information.

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Hello past, present and future Talbot volunteers!

We are so excited for another great year at Talbot. Your volunteer involvement helps make our school great! As volunteer coordinator, my job is to match our Volunteers with the things that interest them the most. If you are interested in any or all of the events, please check them off! There is no obligation, so if the event rolls around and you can't do it this time, just let us know when we contact you.

Please note, all volunteers must complete a volunteer application (a new application must be completed every year). If you have more than one child, only one application needs to be filled out. All types of volunteer work require an approved application - including chaperoning field trips. The volunteer application is located online, please go to Bit.ly/ACPS.app to apply. The applications can take up to a week to process, so please be sure that you have plenty of time.

We are lucky to have so many wonderful, involved parents here at Talbot and our sincere thanks go out to everyone who can give a few minutes of their time to help make our school fantastic.

| Here's to | a great year! | | | |
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| Leilani Odegard (TalbotVolunteers@gmail.com) Volunteer Coordinator | | | | |
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| VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Please check any/all areas you may be interested in. Che Classroom Class Helper Field Trip Chaperone Mentor/Tutor | cking an item does not mean a commitment, only interest. _ Small project helper - one day at a time! _ Leader - help me find a niche | | | |
| School Sponsored Health Screening Jump Rope for Heart Media Center Morning Mile Great Leaps | | | | |
| PTA | | | | |
| _ Book Fairs _ Box Tops _ Carnival _ Fun Run (Boosterthon) _ Fitness & Nutrition Fair (February) _ Holiday Food Drive (November) | _ Holiday Gift Drive (December) _ International Fair (March) _ Silent Auction _ Spring Fundraiser _ Teacher Appreciation Week (May) _ Tiger Trot (February) | | | |

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Booster Fun Run! 2019-2020

Parents and Families—this year's main fundraiser is the **Tiger Fun Run!** It's a two-week program that kicks off with a Pep Rally on **September 4.** Families will then gather pledges for every **lap** your student **runs** (30-35 **laps**) at the **Fun Run**, which will happen on **September 13. This year our goal is to raise \$17,500 for a new sound system and projector for the cafeteria, and we need your help! We've asked the experts at Booster to power our fundraiser to make it easier, more profitable, and more fun.**

Students will also experience an amazing character theme, MINDSPARK: WILD WEST! Booster's most exciting theme yet combines S.T.E.A.M. skills (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) with character-building. While they're teaming up with the MindSpark Kids to save Dr. Shock, our students will

News from the Talbot Media Center!

Welcome back!

We are off to a great start! Students were allowed to checkout books upon their first visit to the media center. Kindergarten students will begin check-out at some point after Open House. 1st grade students may check-out two books, 2nd-5th grade students may check-out three books.

3rd-5th grade students are participating in our **Sunshine State Young Readers Program.** They have the opportunity to earn a "brag tag" for each book after passing the AR test! **Reading Around the World** is an exciting program allowing students to travel around the world, from continent to continent, as they



earn AR points. AR = Accelerated Reader log-ins should be available in the next couple of weeks.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Our hours are 7:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. daily

It's going to be a GREAT year! Read, Read, Read!!

Talbot PTA uses SignUp Genius to recruit volunteers for fundraising and school events. Provide your email address on your Volunteer Application to automatically receive sign up invitations. To search for active sign ups, go to http://www.signupgenius.com/findasignup and enter talbot_pta@outlook.com in the "Search by Email" field.

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GREAT LEAPS READING FLUENCY PROGRAM

The Talbot Great Leaps program works with students who need extra help learning to read in Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades. Volunteers work one-on-one with a series of students. Each student is pulled for approximately 15 minutes. (So if you volunteer for an hour, you will work with 4 students.) Volunteers usually work with the same students each week.

Activities range from helping students learn their letters and letter sounds, sounding out or spelling words, or having a student read to you. The activities depend on the grade and which skills your students need to practice.

No specific background is necessary. It usually takes about 30 minutes to explain the materials (all materials needed are provided). After that you work with an experienced volunteer until you are comfortable with the routine.

We ask volunteers to commit to at least 30 minutes a week at a regularly scheduled time. But we're always happy to have you volunteer more if you wish. Most volunteers come in for an hour once a week.

If you don't have a preferred grade, most times during the school day are available for volunteering. (7:45-12:30 on Wednesdays, or 7:45-1:45 on Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) If you wish to work with a specific grade it will depend on when that grade's students are available.







COME SMILE WITH US!

Support Talbot Elementary while you shop on Amazon ALL YEAR LONG! Now, start all of your shopping from the link below to ensure you are supporting Talbot while you shop.

Amazon supports local organizations and schools through their Amazon Smile program by donating a small portion of your eligible purchases to the school. This program is exclusively through Amazon AND DOES NOT COST ANYTHING TO JOIN OR DONATE. Simply copy the link below and shop on Amazon as normal. All prices and costs to you are the same as amazon.com, except now you can support your child's education as well!

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