

Mount Vernon Community School PTA





Member Meeting
May 25, 2023

AGENDA

- Welcome
- PTA Updates
- Approve our incoming Executive Committee for 22-23
 - PTA Financial Update
 - Updates from Ms. Burrell
- How to avoid summer learning loss – Ms. Porterfield
 - Be SMART presentation

Thanks international night volunteers!

- Verveine Palladin
- Katie Schmitz Scott
- Amy Nagahashi and Andrew Stevens
- Valerie Braiman Kleinrock
- Lissa Percopo Drewniak
- Tamara Jovic
- Jennifer Dwyer
- Jeremy Valentine and Mallory Lake
- Victoria Chang and Haofeng Xu
- Kristin Woodiwiss and Nancy Lee
- Jennifer Ibanez Whitlock
- Mirela Brown
- Oksana Padalka
- Teofila Gomez
- Ms. Rivera and Ms. Castro
- Sr. Alfonso
- Ms. Morales and Brigida Martinez
- Ms. Barajas
- Laura Tarre and Lee Sparrow
- Arthur and Avery Lord
- Natalie Ehredt
- Spice Kraft
- Boyle School of Irish Dance

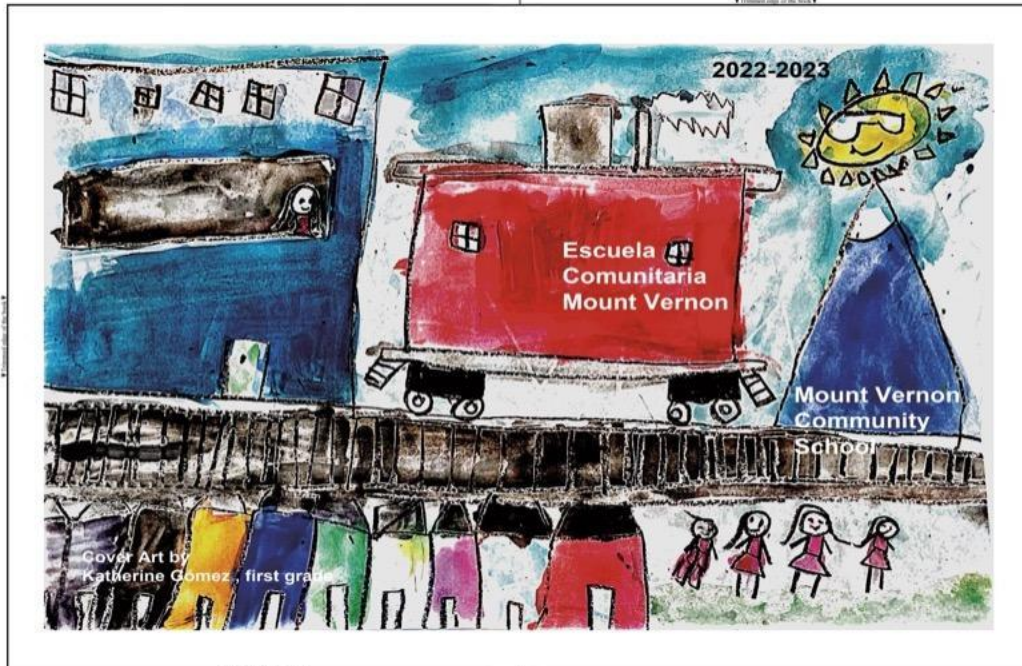


Upcoming Events:

- 5th Grade Picnic – June 9
- 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony – June 13
- Field Day – June 2



Order a Yearbook Today!



- ALL 5th graders receive a yearbook from the PTA!
- Distributed June 15th (maybe) and 16th at Chirilagua and MVCS
- Can have shipping for \$3 – provide address please!
- Can donate a yearbook!
- Visit MemberHub to purchase

School Supplies- Order Now

- through June 25th



MOUNT VERNON COMMUNITY SCHOOL 2023-2024 SCHOOL SUPPLY ORDERING INFORMATION

It's guaranteed to save you money, time, and the hassle of finding that correct item! These kits match our school requirements for each grade.

If ordering online is not an option, please contact the PTA to order via paper order

Grade Level 2023-2024	Cost Each
Kindergarten	\$32.00
Grade 1	\$31.00
Grade 2	\$24.00
Grade 3	\$22.00
Grade 4	\$36.00
Grade 5	\$28.00

ONLINE ORDERING ONLY!

Order Securely Online

Starting Now through June 25th!

1. Go to www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks
2. Enter the school ID, **MTV013 (3 letters/3 numbers)**
3. Follow the directions to complete your order.
4. **Keep your online confirmation as your receipt.**

Orders will be charged tax at checkout.

Supply kits will be delivered to your child's classroom prior to the first day of school.

Consider helping your student's classmates by donating kits (of any grade) and using "Gift" as the student's name on the order. Thank you for supporting other Mount Vernon Families!

For questions, please contact — MVCS PTA - MVCSsupplies@gmail.com

Teacher Approved • No Crowds • No Guesswork • School-Year Product Quality Guarantee

MOUNT VERNON COMMUNITY SCHOOL 2023-2024 Útiles escolares información de pedidos en línea

¡Se garantiza que le ahorrará dinero, tiempo y la molestia de encontrar los útiles correcto! Estos kits coinciden con los requisitos de nuestra escuela para cada grado.

Si ordenar en línea no es una opción, comuníquese con la PTA para ordenar a través del formulario de pedido en papel.

Grado en 2023-2024	Precio cada uno
Kindergarten	\$32.00
1º	\$31.00
2º	\$24.00
3º	\$22.00
4º	\$36.00
5º	\$28.00

PEDIDOS EN LÍNEA SOLAMENTE

**Ordena con seguridad en línea
Comenzando hoy hasta el 25 de junio!**

1. Vaya a www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks
2. Entre el código de la escuela: **MTV013 (3 letras/3 números)**
3. Siga las instrucciones para completar su orden.
4. Quedase con su confirmación como su recibo.

(Habrá impuestos aplicados)

Los útiles escolares llegarán en los salones antes del primer día de clases.

Puedes ayudar un alumno en el salón de su hijo con una donación de un kit escolar.

En lugar de nombre escribe "DONATION"

Para preguntas, pongase en contacto con — MVCS PTA - MVCSsupplies@gmail.com

Advocacy On Walk to School Safety



Thank You to Outgoing Board Members

Tatiana Perez – Treasurer

**Brigida Martinez – 2022 NOVA District
PTA Volunteer of the Year**

Brittney Allen Shaw – Membership

Lauren Heslep – VP of Programming

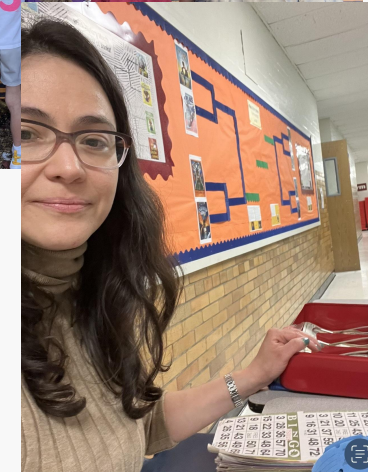
**Kelly Chmielewski – VP of Community
Engagement, Past President**

Megan Reing, Past President

Mickey Sauls, VP Fundraising

Debbie Perry, VP of Fundraising

**Lisa League, VP of Community
Engagement**



Our Exec Committee for 2023-2024



	2023-24 Candidate
President	Lea Perez-Lopez
Treasurer	Rebecca Jaramillo
Secretary	Colleen Smith
VP Membership-Spanish	Blanca Flores
VP Membership-English	Sarah Amesbury
VP Fundraising	Carrie Heath Phillips & Katie Campbell
VP In-school Enrichment	Ryan Miller
VP Programs	Valerie Braiman Kleinrock
VP Community Engagement - English	Evan Wilson
VP Community Engagement - Spanish	Teofila Gomez
VP Dual Language	Elizabeth Reyna
VP Advocacy	Terry Heubert & Ed Mills
VP Communications	Nicole Tailleart
Past President	Marina Carter



But yes, we still
need YOU, too!

Special Education
Liaison

Dual Language
Committee

Reflections



**MAY TREASURER'S REPORT/
INFORME DEL TESORERO DE
MAYO DE 2023**

[mvcstptatreasurer@gmail](mailto:mvcstptatreasurer@gmail.com)

Current summary of accounts / Estados de cuentas actuales

Bank Balance
Saldo bancario

□ \$55,030

- Ledger Balance / *Balance de los libros* : \$42,241

Spending total FY
Gastos totales del año escolar

□ \$118,941

Receipts total FY
Ingresos totales del año escolar

□ \$105,293

Receipts since last report / Ingresos desde el último informe

April 13 – May 25

Spring2Action

- \$13,179 (Donors: \$6,909 + Matching Donation from Jen Walker: \$6,270*)

Cinco de Mile Run

- \$20,513 (Bake sale & additional donations: \$513 + \$19,999* Fundraising Platform)

MemberHub

- \$209

MightyCause

- \$175

AmazonSmile

- \$72

Spending since las report / Gastos desde el último informe

April 13- May 25

Community Building **\$16,853**

- Landscaping \$9,845 / Equity Fund Donation \$5000 / Principal of Year Celebration \$761 / Scholarship Fund Gala \$674 / Springtime Soccer \$575

Teacher Appreciation **\$3,551**

- Dept Edu reviews, Adm Assistant, Teacher Appr week, etc.

Dual Language **\$442**

- Books

Fundraising Expenses **\$1,213**

- Donation to REC \$500 + DJ \$300 + balloons \$153 + FFF blankets \$260

Health & Wellness **\$2,021**

- Dental WOW Bus \$1,972 + Eye2Eye \$49

Programs **\$2,292**

- International Night tables \$1852 + Science Night \$440

PTA Adm Expenses **\$228**

- Childcare PTA April meeting \$40 + Website domain \$30 + Food \$158

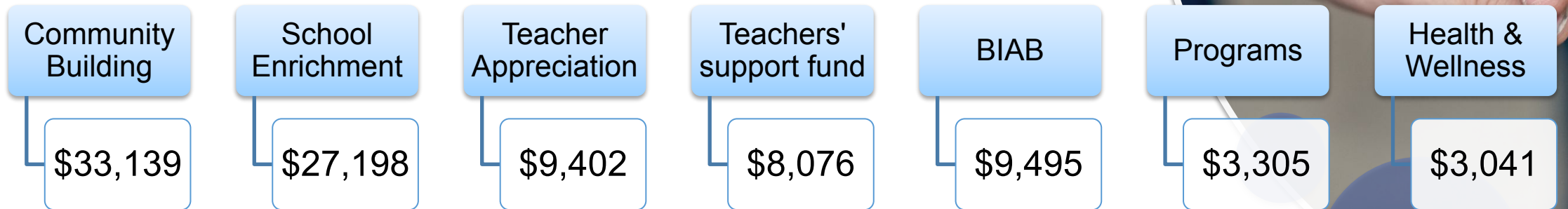
School Enrichment **\$2,414**

- Upcycle \$600 + 5th grade promotion \$90 + PBIS \$693 + ECO Unit 1st grade \$317 + Carpool Sings \$690 + Headphones \$24

Teacher Supplies Fund **\$2,508**

- Classroom supplies

Summary / Resumen





Updates from Dr. Burrell:



BE SMART

Be SMART is a program developed by Everytown for Gun Safety Support Fund to bring together parents and all adults concerned about kids, guns, and safety.

[BeSMARTforkids.org](https://www.BeSMARTforkids.org)

Welcome!

Mount Vernon Community School PTA
Alexandria, Virginia
May 25, 2023

Andrew Corso



1

We all want kids to grow up happy and healthy.

2

We each have the right to make responsible decisions about how to protect our homes, families, and communities—including whether or not to have a gun in our home.

3

If we can prevent even one child gun death or injury, it's our responsibility to do so.



Be SMART is a program to bring together all adults concerned about kids, guns, and safety.



**Firearms are the LEADING
CAUSE of death for
CHILDREN in the US.**



In incidents of gunfire on school grounds, up to 76% of shooters under the age of 18 obtained the gun(s) they used from their home or the home of relatives or friends.

An American Problem

Local 4 News Detroit

Sheriff: Oxford High School shooter used 9 mm pistol recently purchased by father

Teen accused of shooting, killing 3 students,
injuring 8 other people*

**updated 4 dead, 7 injured*

6 Action News Philadelphia

Officials: 3-year-old shot after being left alone in car with gun in Caln Township

Newport News – Daily Press

Police say 6-year old used mother's gun to shoot and injure teacher

Six year old at Richneck Elementary School used a 9 mm handgun that belonged to his mother to shoot his teacher in the chest.

ABC, Inc., KTRK-TV Houston

Two teenage boys are in the hospital after being shot in what investigators believe to be a murder-suicide attempt in the Spring area.

BE SMART

S

Secure

All guns in your home and vehicle

M

Model

Responsible behavior

A

Ask

Unsecured guns in other homes

R

Recognize

The role of guns in suicide

T

Tell

Your peers to Be SMART



Secure guns in homes and vehicles

- 13 million households with children contain at least one gun
- One study found that the majority of children in gun-owning households knew where the gun was stored
- Store guns locked up and inaccessible to kids
- Hiding a gun is not “securing” a gun



Full-Size Gun Safe

Storage of multiple guns in one place.
Biometric lock more secure than key
or passcode.

\$200-\$2,000

- Prevents access by children
- Prevents access by unauthorized users
- Prevents theft (if secured to a structure in home)
- Enables fast access



Lock Box/Locker

Smaller and lighter than safe.
Biometric lock more secure than key
or passcode.

\$25-\$350

- Prevents access by children
- Prevents access by unauthorized users
- Provides secure vehicle storage
- Enables fast access



Console/Vehicle Gun Safe

For storage in a vehicle. Biometric lock
more secure than key or passcode.

\$50-\$350

- Prevents access by children
- Prevents access by unauthorized users
- Prevents theft (if secured to a structure in car)
- Provides secure vehicle storage
- Enables fast access



Gun Case

For home or in-transit storage of one firearm. Uses external lock

\$10-\$150

Prevents access by children
Prevents access by unauthorized users
Enables fast access



Trigger Lock

Locks trigger of single weapon. Never use with loaded gun. May be dismantled with minimal tools and skills, so not as effective with older children and teens.

\$10-\$75

Prevents use by small children
Enables fast access



Cable Lock

Cable runs through action of single weapon to prevent firing. Ammunition must be removed for lock use. May be dismantled with minimal tools and skills, so not as effective with older children and teens.

\$0 -\$50

Prevents use by small children
Enables fast access
*Often provided free with firearm purchase.



M

Model Responsible Behavior

- It is always an adult's responsibility to prevent unauthorized access to guns, not a curious child's responsibility to avoid guns
- Make it a part of the normal safety conversation you have with your children
- Keep the language simple; for example: "If you see a gun, don't touch it. Tell an adult right away."



A

Ask About Unsecured Guns in Other Homes

- Make it a part of your general safety conversation you have when sending your child to any home
- Try email or text
- 4.6 million U.S. children live in a household with at least one loaded, unlocked gun



R

Recognize the Role of Guns in Suicide

- Most people who attempt suicide do not die—unless they use a gun
- 90% of suicide attempts with a gun result in death—a much higher fatality rate than any other means of self harm
- This contributes to the fact that 41 percent of child suicides involve a gun

A survey of High School students found that 20% had seriously considered attempting suicide within the last year.

And one study showed that 41% of adolescents in gun-owning households report having “easy-access” to the guns in their home.



T

Tell Everyone You Know to Be SMART

- Your voice, and all voices are critical. How will you commit to Be SMART today?
- Consider at least THREE people that you want to share the Be SMART message with right now
- Share Be SMART within your community
- Text SMART to 64433 to learn more

Contact Info

Virginia State BeSMART Lead

Dr. Hannah Hollon

Ms. Lee Kelley

virginia@momschapterleaders.org

Alexandria BeSMART Lead

Andrew Corso

BeSmartALX@gmail.com

**Secure gun storage
can save lives.**

**TEXT SMART
TO 644-33**

**to learn how
you can help.**



BeSMARTforKids.org

Thank You!

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Resources Contact Info

National Suicide Prevention Line

1 (800) 273-8255
(24 hours/day)

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

can be reached by calling or texting
988, or chatting on
<http://988lifeline.org>



Trevor Project

***The LGBTQIA+ Youth Suicide
Prevention Line***

Trevor Lifeline

1 (866) 488-7386

Text “Home” to 741-741

From anywhere in the United States,
anytime, about any type of crisis

Speaker's Endnotes
