
CLIFF'S NOTES:

PARENTS & GUARDIANS GET INVOLVED!

It Takes a Village...

At its very core, parent involvement has been one of the main components to our success. We consider ourselves fortunate to be surrounded by parents and guardians who will chaperone school trips; help during classroom celebrations; help sort papers; and much more. We also are grateful for those family members whose fields of expertise span from the world of performing arts to technology and beyond.



As a school community, we thank you for your willingness to lend us your time and your talents so that every child at 187 has the opportunity experience and learn from your diversity and gifts.

Parent Teacher Organization

Did you know that every parent, guardian, and faculty member is part of the 187 Parent Teacher Organization? The PTO is lead by Gerry Goss, Kim Williamson and a group of dedicated parents committed to supporting our children, teachers, and administration all while raising funds.

Thanks to the PTO's fundraising efforts, students are able to take field trips, select books from classroom libraries, and participate in the following after-school activities: Arts & crafts, soccer, basketball, speed stacking, high school prep, instrumental band, open library, **Leg**o robotics and more. The PTO holds a monthly general meeting the third Thursday of every month. Mark your calendar so you can attend and as always, free childcare is always provided!

For more information on how you can participate in the PTO, please visit www.187pto.org.

Friends of 187

Kids love learning by doing and they crave exposure to a full range of subjects beyond the basics. Thanks to the fundraising efforts of Friends of 187, students in grades PreK-8 are able to have enrichment programming as part of their school day.



Friends focuses its support on "hands-on" learning in these areas, often areas where the school budget no longer covers what it once did. The organization funds programs and contributes to the cost of teachers, including: City Art Kids, YANY, Teachers & Writers, Wingspan Arts, instrumental music in the Intermediate School. Buy your tickets for their annual gala taking place on April 13th!

Learn how you can help Friends of 187 by visiting their website at www.friendsof187.org.

Final Thoughts...

When it comes to the weather, Mother Nature is definitely keeping us on our toes! For many of us, we find ourselves struggling to figure out what we should wear to school. Do we need a coat or will a hoodie be enough keep a chill away? Do I really need rain boots or can I get away with sneakers? Before your child begins to ponder what they're going to wear for the day, encourage them to dress in layers so as the day warms up, their able remain comfortable indoors and out.



As a reminder, take a moment to talk to your kids about our school dress code and why it's important to follow it. Ask them if they know when they can start wearing shorts/skirts and what length have to be!