



DEERFIELD

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Falcon Flyer February 4, 2022

Thank you to everyone who has participated in the Step It Up! Fundraiser this week. We are on our way to reach our goal to raise \$30K which will go directly to our school for items such as:

- New technology i.e. new chrome books and charging stations
- Curriculum enhancements i.e. more student enrichment programs, future field trips
- Innovative learning tools and new library books and more

Since your support has been so amazing, we are **extending the Golden Ticket deadline until Monday morning, Feb. 7!** We will host a DAY OF AWESOMENESS at the end of the event on **March 18** to celebrate our successes – every student can attend! Imagine massive obstacle courses inspired by Wipeout and American Ninja Warrior TV shows. Check it out [HERE!](#)

Congratulations to our Deerfield Flag Football Teams! Our 3/4 team and two 5/6 teams participated in this year's Winter Bowl Tournament. They played a total of 9 games and both 5/6 teams went to the semi-finals. Way to go! Thank you to our parent volunteers for coaching: Mr. Dennis, Mr. Tan and Mr. Koczynski.

Reflections Winners at the District: Congratulations to Zoya Kolapalli (Ms. Nenadov's class) for her first place award in Music Composition. Good luck Zoya as you move on to the next level! Also congratulations to Landon Lee (Ms. Uphouse's class) for his third place award in Music Composition. We are so proud of your accomplishments!

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- **Feb. 7:** Last day for Step It Up Golden Ticket Submission and Prizes
- **Feb. 16:** Step It Up Donations Due
- **Feb. 18:** No School (Teacher Staff Development)
- **Feb. 21:** No School (Presidents' Day)
- **Feb. 26:** PTA Move N' Groove School HIKE
- **Mar. 7:** PTA General Meeting / 22-23 Board Elections
- **Mar. 18:** Step it Up Day of Awesomeness / Donation prizes given out

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Irvine Junior Games: Attention 4-6 Grade Parents - Signups are now open for Irvine Junior Games! This is so EXCITING! It's a professional track meet for all IUSD students. Events include long distance, sprinting and field options. Click [here](#) for more information and pictures. There is a video the students saw this week to give you a good idea of what to expect. We hope to have the biggest team yet! Go Falcons!
Teacher Rep- Mrs. Uribe - christineuribe@iusd.org

REMINDERS:

Public Information Meeting: A public information meeting will be held at Deerfield in the MPR on **Feb. 24 at 6 p.m.** to discuss the construction of a new parking lot with a solar carport system at Deerfield.

6th Grade Parents: The Venado Middle School Nominating Committee is looking for anyone interested in serving as part of the Venado PTSA board for 2022-23 school year. All positions are open including: President, Vice president, (Membership), Vice President, (Ways and Means), Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Auditor, Historian, Parliamentarian (appointed by the President).

The description of duties can be found at [this link](#). All positions will be elected by the Venado PTSA at the **March 21** PTSA meeting, except for Parliamentarian, who is appointed by the President. The only requirements are that the candidate: will have a child attending Venado Middle School in 2022-23 school year; is a member of the Venado PTSA or their child's current elementary school PTA for 30 days preceding the Election Meeting; and is willing to perform duties of the position; training will be provided by the District. Please contact the Nominating Committee at anastewart_1@yahoo.com.

ACE Online Classes: IPSF is excited to offer a wide variety of interactive online classes after school for students in grades 1-12. Registration is now open at www.ipsf.net/afterschool.

Enrichment Day - One Day Event: On Feb. 21, IPSF will host [Enrichment Day](#) which provides students in grades 1-8 with an educational and fun outlet to learn a new skill. Registration is now open. www.ipsf.net/enrichmentday.

ACE In-Person Classes: IPSF is also offering engaging in-person enrichment classes right after school at select school campuses throughout IUSD. Please note, students may only register for in-person ACE classes at their home school. Click below for registration and session dates. <https://ipsf.net/what-we-do/afterschool/#inperson>.

Dashers: The Deerfield Dasher running club is back. This after school club builds running endurance in a positive environment, while running a marathon over the course of 10 weeks. Dashers will meet every Tuesday starting Feb. 8 until the final race day on April 30. **All registration information can be found on our school site under Parents-Dashers or [click here](#).** Additionally, you may check out the Kids Run Website for complete details,

<https://kidsruntheoc.org>. Please email Mrs. Uribe at christineuribe@iusd.org for information or stop by the front office.

School Choice for 2022-2023: If you live outside our boundaries and need to complete a school choice for the next school year, please click [here](#). You can also find the form on our website here: <https://deerfield.iusd.org/article/school-choice-2022-23-now-open>.

Health and Safety: Deerfield, along with all of the IUSD, will follow the guidelines for schools provided by local and federal health agencies. For up-to-date district information, visit <https://iusd.org/2021-22-safety-and-planning-guide>.

Menus are always available on the IUSD website [here](#).

PTA Announcements:

- **NEW! PTA Meeting/2022-2023 Executive Board Slate:** At our next PTA meeting on March 9 at 7 p.m., the nominating committee will present the slate to consider for our new 22-23 Executive PTA Board. Please attend this meeting and help vote in these 11 parents who are incredibly passionate about our school. Check the PTA Bulletin or our school [Instagram](#) account to view the list of candidates. We still have an opening for Membership. If you are interested in this position, please email dfptainfo@gmail.com.
- **NEW! Yearbook Cover Contest:** Almost 40 students submitted artwork! We will be announcing the winner next week.
- **NEW! Step It Up Fundraiser Update:** More than 400 prizes have been given out and more than 4,000 emails sent this week. Way to go Deerfield!
 - Feb. 7 is the last day to turn in your golden ticket to receive prizes and enter into the drawings.
 - Feb. 9 is the last day for bonus drawings. Emails are required for these drawings
 - Feb. 16 is the last day donations will be accepted. We'll keep you posted on our progress towards our \$30K goal!
 - Feb. 17 - March 17, STEP IT UP will order and organize the student's prizes based on donation amounts
 - Mar. 18 is the Day of Awesomeness and when donation prizes will be given out to students

PTA Reminders:

- **Yearbook Photos Needed:** Please submit photos to dfptayearbook@gmail.com for the following events:
 - 1-2-3 Reflections Art, December STEM Nights, 100/101 days of school, 6th grade outdoor education, behind-the-scenes classroom photos, staff photos
 - Upcoming Valentine Day parties and Kindness Week dress up days in Feb. and field trips!

- Yearbooks Now on Sale - Only \$25 for a softcover book through March 31, 2022. Don't forget to create your 2 FREE pages! [Learn More](#)

PTA Thank You's:

PTA Nominating Committee! Thank you for dedicating your time to finding our 22-23 PTA Board Slate. Committee Members include: Principal Brewer, Carina Hollis (chair), Steve Knollmiller, Karen Agreda, Dharini Joshi, and Natalie Rodolfo

Make sure to follow us on [Instagram](#) and check out our [PTA Website](#) for more information. We welcome feedback! Please email us at dfptainfo@gmail.com.