

ADAMS ELEMENTARY PTO NEWSLETTER

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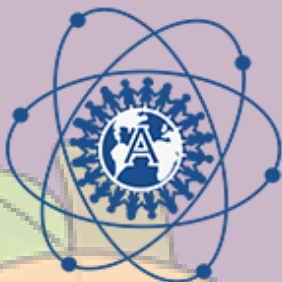
"Every day is a great day at Adams!"

Halloween Forest Walk 2020

Friday, October 30th, 6:30-9:00om

Choose a 10-minute time-slot to attend. Family-friendly costumes are encouraged! All participants must wear masks and remain socially distanced throughout the event. Each group can have up to 10 people. **Submit your Jack-o-lantern or luminary for our carving contest, awards will be given per grade. Pumpkins and luminaries will light this fun event. At the end of the trail, all students will receive a bag of treats!**

Please see our Facebook page to sign up for a time slot, or email:
adamspto12@gmail.com.



Connect with us!

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/midlandadamselementary>

Email:

adamspto12@gmail.com

We need pumpkins, luminaries and volunteers!!

Please visit our Facebook page for our Sign-up Genius, or email adamspto12@gmail.com to sign up.





VIRTUAL HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARADE!!!
POST YOUR PICTURES OF YOUR STUDENTS IN THEIR
FAMILY-FRIENDLY COSTUMES ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE!

Pumpkin Carving Contest

Enter your carved pumpkin or milk-gallon luminary in our contest and it will light our Forest Path on October 30th!

Bring it to the Adams Forest on Friday, October 30th between 3:00pm and 6:00 pm. Awards will be given per grade. Pumpkins will be available for pick-up after the event, starting at 9:30pm that night, in front of Adams. Sign up using the Sign-up Genius link on our Facebook page.



SAVE THE DATE!



Dear Parents and Families:

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming soon! While the Fair will be exclusively held online this year, we still plan on making it a fun and joyous experience for our kids. Features include:

- Adam's own online store, with a large selection of titles, at the right price points
- A Virtual Fair so you and your kids can experience the magic of the school shopping experience. Browse titles by grade, meet popular authors, and discover the comfort and joy of our Fair
- Every dollar you spend will benefit our school directly (25% back in rewards!)

Save these dates and view our school's Fair site:



Fair Dates: Nov 13th – Nov 26th

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/adamselementary>



We can't wait to "see" you at the Fair!

Christa Shepard and Christy Plishka
Adam's Book Fair Chairs



Thank you to our new Box Tops coordinator **Ashleigh Summers!** She will be working to coordinate Box Tops collections, both via the **app** (see below) and one large collection of physical Box Tops this Fall.

If you have **physical Box Tops** to submit, please have your child bring them to school no later than **Friday, October 30th**. Virtual Students may leave them in the office by that date.



EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL

LITTLE BY LITTLE WE CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE.

The Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

LOOK
FOR THE
LABEL:



HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:



BUY

BOX TOPS PRODUCTS

You can find Box Tops on hundreds of products throughout the store.



SCAN

YOUR RECEIPT

Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



EARN

CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL

Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated online.



DON'T HAVE THE BOX TOPS
APP YET? DOWNLOAD IT NOW:



SEE PRODUCTS & LEARN MORE ABOUT
THE BOX TOPS APP AT **BTFE.COM**

BOX TOPS CLIPS

You may occasionally find an old Box Tops clip on packages in stores. You can still clip them and send them to school, as long as each clip has a valid expiration date.

SHOPPING FOR GROCERIES ONLINE?

You can still earn Box Tops for your school with your e-receipt!

See how at **BTFE.com/emailgroceryreceipts**

If you order your groceries online, you can still submit your receipts from the following participating merchants to

receipts@boxtops4education.com

- ★ BJ's Wholesale Club
- ★ Costco
- ★ CVS
- Food Lion
- Fresh Direct
- Giant Eagle
- Google Express
- Hannaford •

- Harris Teeter
- H-E-B
- Hy-Vee
- ★ Instacart
- Jet.com
- Jewel Osco
- ★ Kroger
- Lowe's Foods
- ★ Meijer Home Delivery

- Peapod
- ★ Rite Aid
- Safeway
- ★ SamsClub.com
- ★ Sam's Club Scan & Go
- ★ Shipt
- ShopRite From Home
- ★ Target.com
- ★ Target Pick-Up/Drive-Up

- Thrive Market
- Tom Thumb
- Vons
- ★ Walgreens
- ★ Walmart Grocery
- ★ Walmart Pay
- ★ Walmart.com
- Wegmans
- Weis
- Woodman's



Get your Adams Spirit Wear!!

Open until Friday, November 6th!

<https://adamsspiritfall2020.itemorder.com/>

(please copy this address exactly as written to access the store)



Are you aware of the Friends of Adams Fund?



Friends of Adams is a fund established by the PTO to help Adams Atoms cover the additional school expenses that some families cannot afford throughout the school year. It covers items such as school supplies, classroom headphones, school pictures, book fair items, clothing and personal care items and more.

Attached you will find the request form, which can be filled out by anyone who knows of someone in need, and the donation form for those who wish to make monetary or material donations. If a clothing request is made, please also fill out the separate Student Clothing Request form to assure sizing is correct. Both can also be found in the Adams office. If you have any questions, please email

Christy Plishka at cgplishka@icloud.com.





Kroger Community Rewards

Did you know you can support nonprofit organizations in your community just by shopping at Kroger? It's easy when you enroll in Kroger Community Rewards®!

To get started, sign up with your Plus Card below, and select Adams Elementary PTO as the organization you wish to support. Once you're enrolled, you'll earn rewards for your chosen organization every time you shop and use your Plus Card.

<https://www.kroger.com/topic/kroger-community-rewards-3>



Shop Amazon Smile! You shop, Amazon gives!

Below is the link to the website and instructions for parents to sign up to support Adams Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization with their purchases.

<https://smile.amazon.com/>

- * Type in organization, "Adams Elementary School Parent"
Click on search button
- * Select Adams Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization with Midland, MI
- * Click the box, "Yes"
Then click start shopping....
- * You will receive a confirmation e-mail that you are supporting Adams Elementary PTO

amazonsmile
You shop. Amazon gives.



Thank you to everyone who supported us on Pizza Night!
Use promo code **adams20** if purchasing online at **www.papajohns.com**.
Or... call the Midland store at
(989) 837-PAPA(7272)
and let them know you are with Adams Elementary. Papa John's will donate 20% of their Adams Elementary earnings to the PTO! !

Upcoming Events

October 30: Physical Box Tops due to the front office

October 30: Halloween Forest Walk

November 7th: Adams Spirit Wear sale closes

November 9th: PTO Meeting– this is rescheduled from November 2nd!

November: Virtual Book Fair, Stay tuned!!



Student Assistance Request

The Friends of Adams Fund was established by the PTO as a way to help Adams Atoms cover the additional school expenses some families cannot afford throughout the school year.

If you know of a student who could use help, please fill out the following and return to the PTO mailbox via Mrs. Matcheck in the Adams office.

Student Name: _____ Teacher: _____

Please select from the following:

- ☐ School supplies*
- ☐ Classroom headphones
- ☐ Shoes for gym class*
- ☐ School photos
- ☐ Food for the weekend (distributed through our Backpack Buddies program)
- ☐ Book Fair
- ☐ Clothing* (Please use the Friends of Adams Closet form to request specific sizes.)
- ☐ Personal care items*
- ☐ Information on available resources in the community
- ☐ Other: _____

(If winter clothing is needed, please contact Mrs. Matcheck to request items from the Circle of Warmth.)

*Additional information will be needed to insure correct sizing/item request. Please check below to give us permission to contact the parent/guardian:

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

The PTO will review requests as they are submitted and do its best to fulfill all requests equally. The PTO cannot guarantee all requests will be granted. Please direct any questions to Christy Plishka at cgplishka@icloud.com.



DONATION FORM

The Friends of Adams Fund was established by the PTO as a way to help Adams Atoms cover the additional school expenses some families cannot afford throughout the school year.

The Friends of Adams Fund helps students pay for the following:

- ☐ School supplies
- ☐ Classroom headphones
- ☐ Shoes for gym class
- ☐ School photos
- ☐ Book Fair
- ☐ School Clothes
- ☐ Personal care items
- ☐ Other items as the need arise

If you would like to donate to the Friends of Adams Fund, please make checks payable to the Adams PTO and note in the memo line Friends of Adams Fund. To donate material needs and/or volunteer to assist with distribution, please provide your contact information:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

If you know of a student who could use help with school expenses, please fill out the form on the opposite side and return to the PTO mailbox via Mrs. Matcheck in the Adams office.

Keep up to date on the PTO and the Friends of Adams Fund by joining our Facebook Group "Friends of Adams Elementary PTO."

Thank you for helping to make every day a great day at Adams!



Friends of
Adams Closet

Student Clothing Request

The Friends of Adams Closet is available to any student in need of clothing. Please fill out the information below and we'll do our best to fulfill all requests.

Student Name: _____ Teacher: _____

Please select from the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> T-Shirts | Circle size: 4-5 6 7 8 10 12 14 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Long sleeve shirts | Circle size: 4-5 6 7 8 10 12 14 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pants | Circle size: 4-5 6 7 8 10 12 14 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shorts | Circle size: 4-5 6 7 8 10 12 14 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sweatshirts/sweatpants | Circle size: 4-5 6 7 8 10 12 14 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adams Spirit Wear | Circle size: 4-5 6 7 8 10 12 14 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shoes for gym class | Size: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Request: _____ | |

Return form to the PTO Mailbox. Questions? Contact Christy Plishka at cgplishka@icloud.com.