Upcoming Events

MARCH
5-22  Book Fair
15  No School
19  PTA Market Day
19  PTA General Assembly Meeting
5:30pm PTA/SBDM Nominations
19  PTA Family Fun Reading / Science Night
22  PTA Art Store (Qtr #3)
22  Awards Assembly
27  Teacher Treats
28  Panther Spirit Day
29  No School

APRIL
3  Panther Night Out – Hebron Grille
8-12  No School/Spring Break
18  PTA General Assembly Meeting 7:00pm PTA/SBDM Election Meeting
18  Ice Cream Social 7:00pm after meeting
23  PTA Market Day
26  Panther Pride Spirit Day
26-27  PTA 12th Annual Spring Carnival

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Governor's Cup

Congratulations and Good Luck to our Governors Cup Participants!

Governor’s Cup was founded in 1986 as a way to promote, reward and recognize outstanding academic achievement. Since then, over a quarter of a million students have taken part in the event. Governor’s Cup has become the state’s premier academic event, involving over 20,000 students, nearly 1200 schools, and thousands of coaches, administrators, parents and community leaders who see the rewards gained from encouraging academic performance through properly structured and professionally administered academic competition. Please join us in welcoming our latest round of amazing North Pointes students.

The following North Pointe students have advanced to the Regional Governor’s tournament after their outstanding individual performance Saturday, March 2, 2013. Please join us in congratulating Holly Hendrix and Theodore Durden who both qualified in Mathematics. Luke Pinkowski, Will Hanak, and Wyatt Mason will move on to compete in Science. Sage Chamberlain will represent North Pointe in Language Arts, and Genesis Harris will represent North Pointe in Arts & Humanities. Additionally, both Genesis Harris and Sage Chamberlain will get an opportunity to represent North Pointe’s outstanding writing program as they compete in Composition. North Pointe’s quick recall team will be advancing on to regional competition to battle for top honors. Our students won’t have much time to celebrate their victories on Saturday, March 23 they will compete with other champion students from across Northern Kentucky to win a trophy for their school.

Good Luck! Panthers! WE are PROUD of you!

Building Lockdown

On Friday, March 8 at approximately 10:15 a.m. we initiated a building lockdown as a precautionary measure. The situation was resolved quickly and without incident. The students, staff and Deputy Curry are to be commended for the exemplary way in which they handled the situation. We conduct drills periodically for lockdowns, fires, tornadoes and other emergency circumstances and the students and staff demonstrated that practice makes perfect. Way to go!

Panther Night Out….April 3rd

North Pointe PTA is partnering with Hebron Grille for Panther Night Out fundraising opportunity. On April 3, visit Hebron Grille and they will donate 15% of their entire day sales to us! We are very fortunate to live in such a supportive community. Please mark your calendars now!
KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS Raise $828.58!
SHOP - SWIPE - EARN!

Dear Parents,
While we have a wonderful business partnership with Remke Markets, we realize that you may shop at multiple locations. When you are not shopping at Remke, if you choose to shop at Kroger you can help raise money for North Pointe! Whenever you do your regular shopping, you can swipe your Kroger Plus Card (or enter your Alternate ID) to earn North Pointe up to 4% of most or all of your purchases. It's that simple! Just follow the simple directions below to register your Kroger Plus Card with North Pointe Elementary and you are ready to go! Don't forget that grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc. can register as well. The more people that are registered, the more we can earn.

IF YOUR CARD IS ALREADY REGISTERED ONLINE WITH KROGER:
- Login to the Kroger Community Rewards website (www.krogercommunityrewards.com).
- Choose Kentucky stores.
- Under "Find your organization," input either North Pointe Elementary or the NPO # 81906.
- Select North Pointe and then SAVE your changes. You are ready to go!

IF YOU HAVE A KROGER PLUS CARD BUT HAVEN'T REGISTERED IT ONLINE:
- Click on Sign In/Register
- Click on SIGN UP TODAY in the “New Customer?” box.
- Sign up for a Kroger Rewards Account by entering zip code, clicking on favorite store, entering your email address and creating a password, agreeing to the terms and conditions.
- You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
- Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
- Update or confirm your information.
- Enter NPO number or name of organization, select organization from list and click on confirm.
- To verify you are enrolled correctly, you will see your organization’s name on the right side of your information page.

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A KROGER PLUS CARD, THEY ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CUSTOMER SERVICE DESK.

Remember you must swipe your card at check out for your purchases to count! So far, 52 families have linked their cards. These supporters (52 households) who shopped at Kroger between 11/01/2012 and 01/31/2013 have contributed to our $828.58 total donation

Thank you for supporting North Pointe!

In order to meet expectations of privacy, Kroger has adopted a simple policy to never share a customer’s personal information. Their privacy policy applies to Community Rewards participation as well.

Calling All Runners and Walkers
Girls on the Run is a positive youth development program that inspires 3rd-8th grade girls to stay true to themselves and live free from social stereotypes. Girls participate in a 12 week curriculum that culminates with a non-competitive 5K event. It is time to start thinking about the spring 5K. Girls on the Run is already accepting registration for their May 5K If you, your family, or friends are planning on running/walking the 5K with our North pointe team, pre-registration is only $15 until March 11th. Then, it will be $20 until May 10th. After that, it will cost $25. Sign up at: http://www.gotrcincinnati.org/programs/5kRun/index.asp

North Pointe Energy Report Card for December 2012
Once again North Pointe topped all elementary schools for energy reduction in December and placed second in the district. We have posted a 20% reduction so far for the 2012-13 school year, saving the school district $10,620!
BOOKS Galore and a little weird science thrown in for FUN!

You won't want to miss this! The Reading/Science Night committee has been hard at work planning amazing activities for the event on Tuesday March 19th. We will have experiments and stories Galore; Prizes and a Planetarium! To top off the night; find out if our students met the Read 100,000 minutes challenge and if Mrs. Craven does something CRAZY! There is sure to be fun for everyone of all ages!!! It all starts at 5:30 pm (after the 5 pm PTA meeting).

DON'T MISS OUT!!!
ATTENTION ALL NORTH POINTE PARENTS:
Do you delegate well? Do you have a knack for thinking up creative activities? Are you a worker bee? Organized? Energetic? You may just be a perfect fit for the PTA Board. The PTA needs board members and the nominations are right around the corner- March 19th. The positions are President, 1st VP of Programs, 2nd VP of Membership, 3rd VP of Ways and Means, Secretary, Treasurer, Student Services and Teacher Services. The rewards of the smiles, waves, high fives and hugs in the hallways make these positions worth every second. Please contact Deanne.Corbino@insightbb.com if you are interested or have any questions regarding a position.

Help We Give Books and Leap Frog give books to North Pointe

Please join members of the North Pointe Elementary community in this exciting opportunity to earn books for our school library, for free! We Give Books and Leap Frog have partnered up to give you and your kids the chance to support the important role that school libraries play in the lives of our children, by reading online during Read for My School. Together they are sharing 150,000 books with schools across the country.

Read for My School kicks off on March 19, 2013! Our school community will join readers across the nation to read online from We Give Books’ digital library. For each book read on behalf of our school, we will receive a printed Leap Frog book for our school library. 150,000 books will go fast, so register today at ReadForMySchool.org. Once the books are gone, we can keep reading for the chance to receive a visit from the We Give Books Read Mobile for our kids!

We Give Books is available all year, but this is our only chance to earn books directly for our school!

Teacher Treats:

Help us celebrate our favorite North Pointe Staff by donating something fun for Teacher treats...Once a month, the PTA provides food for the teachers/staff to nibble as a way to show our appreciation for all they do to make North Pointe a wonderful learning environment for our students. Please consider donating a store bought, homemade snack, dip or sweet to this cause. The next Teacher treats dates are:

**Wednesday March 27th (during school) and Friday April 19th (afterschool)**

If you can help sign up on the website www.northpointepta.org or let us know by email northpointepta@gmail.com Items can be dropped off in the office the afternoon before or the day of the event. **Thank you!**
North Pointe's Spring Carnival

Rides

4/26 5-9 pm
4/27 1-6 pm

Games

Food & Drinks

North Pointe Elementary
875 North Bend Road, Hebron, KY 41045
Site Based Decision Making Council
2013-2014 Parent Council Member

SBDM council is the governing body for NPE. It determines school policy for curriculum, staffing, discipline, scheduling, instructional practices, extra-curricular activities and other matters pertinent to the operation of the school. It brings together people who know best what all students at NPE need to learn and succeed. Those people are parents, teachers, and administration!

NPE will have one Parent Council Member vacancy for the 2013-14 school year for SBDM council. This position is a 2 year term. Nominations will be held at the PTA General Assembly Meeting on March 19th at 5:00 pm. Each nominee will be given time to speak to the membership. Elections will be held on Thursday April 18th from 8:30 am - 7:00 pm for this position. The results will be announced at the PTA General Assembly Meeting at 7:00 pm if possible. If you have any questions about the application process or information on this flyer, please feel free to contact the PTA President, Deanne Corbin at northpointepta@gmail.com or 859-991-2174 for assistance.

**SBDM Council**
The SBDM Council is made up of the following:
(1) Principal
(2) Parent Representatives
(3) Teacher Representatives
There is only one Parent Rep on this year's ballot.

Council members are elected for a 2 year term* and shall serve from July 1 of a year when elected until June 30 of the second year.

**Who May Run for Council?**
*Answer: Any parent, stepparent, foster parent or legal guardian of a NPE student. Parent must have at least one child who is attending the school during their term. Though council members are elected for a two year term, individuals can opt to serve for one year and then the council would hold a special election finding a parent to complete the term*. Meaning, you at least must have a student at NPE during the 2013-2014 school year to run during this election.

*Note: A parent is ineligible to run for this position if he/she is an employee or a relative of an employee of NPE, district central office, or a local school board member. These same parameters also apply as to who can vote for a SBDM Parent Council Member. However, a teacher may cast a vote for a parent representative if they have a child registered for the specific school year in question.

**When do we vote?**
The election process for a SBDM Parent Council Member is fairly simple.

**Step #1: Nominations** solicited before April 12th.

**Step #2: Vote on Election Night**
All candidates who have submitted nomination form will be invited to speak during the March 19th PTA Meeting at 5:00 pm if they would like. They will each have up to 2 minutes to speak and if time allows, to answer questions.

Candidates and qualifications will be listed in Panther Post communications and posted on the SBDM board in the school lobby.

Voting will take place on Thursday April 18th from 8:30 am - 7:00 pm. All votes will be taken by secret ballot. Absentee ballots will NOT be allowed. Votes are tallied up and the winners are posted and contacted within 24 hours.

**I'm Interested in Running. Now What Do I Do?**
Great! Follow these simple steps to get started:

**Step #1:** Complete a SBDM Parent Council Member Nomination form and return it to the school office no later than April 12, 2013 to the attention of: PTA - SBDM Elections.

**Step #2:** Attend the PTA Meeting on Thursday April 18th at 7:00pm. Be prepared to speak briefly about yourself and your qualifications at this meeting if you would like.
Due no later than April 12, 2013

Return completed Nomination Form to:
Deanne Corbin
c/o 875 N Bend Rd
Hebron, KY 41048
Attn: PTA - SBDM Elections

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| Introduce yourself to parents- write article about yourself and why you want to be on SBDM committee - to be published in the Panther Post |

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