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# May 2017

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## Westlane Middle School PTO

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### **Thanks for Your Support! Westlane Community Remembers Adam Goodman**

The past few weeks have been an extremely difficult time as the Westlane community copes with the loss of Mr. Adam Goodman, a beloved teacher at Westlane. On behalf of the school administration, staff and PTO, we want to say thank you to everyone in the community who has volunteered or lent their support in some capacity. From the wonderful memorial service, to food donations for the teacher's lounge – a place where Westlane staff could go to release emotions without the kids seeing them.

Though things are returning to a little bit more of a normal schedule this week, it is still going to be a very tough end of the school year. The timing for **Staff Appreciation Week** could not be better. We will kick things off this Friday, April 28 by supplying a coffee cart for staff members followed by a week full of events planned by Carrie Kirk and Lorrie Pavlack. If you have not had a chance to volunteer in some way, please check out this link: [Westlane Staff Appreciation Week](#)

Thank you!

Erika Grueninger & Shannon Thompson  
Westlane PTO Co-Presidents

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### **\*\*Upcoming Events\*\***

**May 1-5**

*Staff Appreciation Week*

**May 15-20**

*Spirit Week*

**May 16**

*8<sup>th</sup> Grade Honors Night*

**May 17**

*Spring Athletic Awards  
Breakfast*

**May 18**

*Personal Best Awards  
9:30 a.m.*

**May 19**

*Celebrate Washington Twp.  
Event at Lucas Oil  
Stadium  
7:00 p.m.*

**May 23**

*8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance  
7:00 – 9:00 p.m.*

**May 24**

*Last Day of School!*

## PTO Supplies Grants for Teachers

For the first time, Westlane PTO provided a \$150 grant for each of the teachers at our middle school. We received lots of appreciative feedback that the funds were used to purchase loads of room supplies including: pencils, pens, dry eraser markers, electric pencil sharpeners, sharpies, scissors, side chair, Kleenex, indoor/outdoor speaker for PE, kitchen timer, eraser caps, sanitizer, bean bag refills, birthday rewards, pull and stretch fidgets, electronic cleaning wipes, rugs, small group instruction for writing framework, Lysol wipes, personalized pencils, long erasers, kickball, football, aerobic super disc, tape dispenser, construction paper, Elmer's reusable adhesive, colored pencils, and folders. Here are a few of the nice comments we received:



*"Thank you so much! These fidgets and brain games, prizes and supplies will go far in my remediation class"*

*"This is Huge"*

*"Thank you!"*

*Dear PTO - "Thank you soooo very much. This is very appreciated. I'll make good use of all my purchased items."*

## Calling all Wildcats



It's hard to believe there are only four weeks left in the school year! Westlane PTO is already looking towards the 2017-2018 school year. We have many ways to get involved, so if you are interested in being a Chairperson for one of our events, holding a position on the Executive Board, or being a general volunteer please reach out to Erika Grueninger [grueninger@sbcglobal.net](mailto:grueninger@sbcglobal.net) or Shannon Thompson [smlcethompson@comcast.net](mailto:smlcethompson@comcast.net). We'd love to have you join the team!

**Check Out Your Child's Homework Assignments at:**  
**[www.westlanehomework.com](http://www.westlanehomework.com)**

**If you have questions or ideas for the PTO,  
please contact PTO Co-Presidents:  
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# TICKETS ON SALE FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL CELEBRATE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP EVENT

The 2<sup>ND</sup> Annual **Celebrate Washington Township** event is quickly approaching on **Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>** at Lucas Oil Stadium. The event is free to Washington Township teachers and staff as a way to show appreciation for their dedication to make our schools amazing!

We encourage parents to purchase tickets and join us for an evening of fun! Tickets can be purchased at: [www.cwt-tickets.com](http://www.cwt-tickets.com)

Also, please consider being a "Proud Parent Partner" which is an option on the site. With this \$130 option you get two tickets to the event (\$70 value), your name on the sponsorship list displayed at the event, and a \$25 Target gift card to designate to the teacher or staff member of your choice! This is a wonderful way to honor the hard work and dedication of one of your favorite Washington Township teachers.

