

Dear Prairie Lane Families,

Welcome back Prairie Lane families and a BIG welcome to all of the new families. I am excited to have the opportunity to work with all of you this year on the Community Club. This upcoming year you will see a couple new events as well as some of the favorites from years past (Pizza Bingo, Lancers Night, and Movie Night, etc).

I would urge you all to review the school's website and calendar. Here you will find updates to any events. The events calendar will also be available in the weekly newsletter. Mrs. Westfall is great about sending reminders for upcoming events as well. Under the Community Club section of the Prairie Lane website, we will have the minutes from the monthly PLCC meetings and the by-laws will be available.

For the Prairie Lane Community Club to be effective and truly representative of the school, each one of you is an essential piece to the puzzle. Community Club is much more than a monthly meeting. There are a lot of working parts that you can be a part of.

We look forward to working with you all this year, and would like to thank you in advance! If you have any suggestions or want to get involved, feel free to reach out to me, my contact information is below. Have a wonderful school year and we look forward to seeing you at our first Community Club meeting on August 27th after Curriculum Night.

Sincerely,

Nichole Trovato
PLCC- President, 2019-20
president.plcc@gmail.com

Look for a Prairie Lane Community Club page on Facebook. Share and Like us!!



Prairie Lane Community Club

What is Prairie Lane Community Club?

Prairie Lane Community Club is the organization where parents of Prairie Lane students meet and work together to serve Prairie Lane Elementary School, and provide communication between the parents and the school. Our energies and funds benefit the students or the school. Our mission is to bring together a council of people that work together to enhance the learning experience at Prairie Lane Elementary School.

What does Community Club Do?

We host community-building events, sponsor fundraising events, and fund staff proposals that benefit the students of Prairie Lane. Our activities include: Original Works, Read-A-Thon, Pizza Bingo, Ice Cream Social at the Student Art Show, Teacher Appreciation, and School Apparel & Spirit Items. In the past, we have used funds for field trips, support of special guest speakers, dancing classrooms, and other teacher proposals.

Who can be a part of Community Club?

Every Parent, Step-Parent, Guardian, Foster, etc. of a current Prairie Lane Student is encouraged to participate, along with all teachers and the school principal.

What are the Requirements?

There are no requirements for you to participate in Prairie Lane Community Club. We do ask for contributions of \$15 per family at the beginning of the year. The contributions, along with our fundraisers, help to fund staff proposals throughout the year. The staff proposals benefit the students of Prairie Lane and software apps for classroom use and also include:

- Chicks and t-shirts
- Sphere-os
- Various field trips
- 6th grade news expenses
- Dancing classrooms
- Walkie-Talkies
- Vests for safety patrol

How can I Participate?

Join us at ***Community Club Meetings held in the Media Center at Prairie Lane the last Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm.*** We will review upcoming events, discuss and vote on teacher proposals or other expenses, and brainstorm on different opportunities to help our students/teachers/staff in the future. We also need a Room Parent for each classroom, plus people to chair committees throughout the year.

Who do I talk to for more info or to get involved?

President: Nichole Trovato president.plcc@gmail.com

Vice-President: Megan McCall

Treasurer: Anna Lehotyak **Secretary:** Kelley Meyers

Past President: Laura Watts **School Principal:** Belinda Westfall

You're Invited to Pop in!



Prairie Lane
Community Club
meeting

Tues, Aug 27th

after Curriculum Night
presentations

6:30 - 7:30pm

In the School Gym

Popcorn will be served!

Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

Welcome

Introductions of the Board Members

Approval of minutes

Review & Vote on Approval of 2019-20 Budget

New Business & Project Proposals

Conclusion

Please review the By-Laws and Budget prior to the meeting on the school web-site (look under Community Club), hard copies will be available at the school in advance and at the meeting.

Prairie Lane Yard Sign Order Form

Support Prairie Lane Community Club



\$25.00 each

All signs are waterproof with a firmly attached, hand painted wood stake. The signs have proven that they can survive Omaha's most unique weather conditions.

Please note!!

A portion of all sign sales go to the Prairie Lane Community Club.

Name _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Student Name _____
Student Teacher _____

All orders due by August 30, 2019

Please return this form with payment to your child's teacher or Mrs. Thompson

Payments can also be made online

Please make all checks payable to: PLCC

If paying cash, please send exact amount

OR Pay via your Pay4Stuff account www.Pay4SchoolStuff.com

All questions about spirit signs please contact Kari Pokorski
karipokorski@gmail.com

Prairie Lane T-Shirt Order Form

Student's Name-

Teacher-

Phone-

Orders are due by August 30, 2019.
There will be no orders taken after
this date.

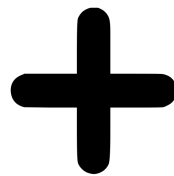


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T-Shirt	Size (circle)	Price	Quantity	Amount
Youth Short Sleeve	XS S M L	\$10.00		
Adult Short Sleeve	S M L XL	\$10.00		
Adult Short Sleeve	2XL 3XL	\$10.00		

Please note!! A portion of all shirt sales go to the Prairie Lane Community Club.



PRAIRIE LANE COMMUNITY CLUB

is excited to announce that we are partnering with Pay 4 School Stuff this year to accept credit card payments **IN-PERSON** and **ONLINE!**

This year you will have the option to pay for EVERYTHING from T-shirts to Movie Night with your credit card online or at the door! Account set-up is simple and secure. Please see the instructions below to get started and save this packet for future reference. You can email Treasurer Anna Lehotyak at annamerrick@hotmail.com with questions. We are looking forward to another GREAT year! GO PANTHERS!

To Create A New Account: 1) Open your internet browser and go to www.Pay4SchoolStuff.com .

2) Pay4SchoolStuff uses pop-up windows to display forms and other information. Allow pop-up windows for this site.

3) If using a mobile device, use the Google Chrome internet browser to access the site.

4) If you would like to set up account before purchasing an item from your school, click on "Login" located below the 'Parent Signup' box.

5) You may proceed to locate your school's Payment Menu or a specific payment item by clicking on "Marketplace" on the upper left-hand menu bar. You can then complete your account set-up (steps 6-14 following) or login when checking out and entering your billing information at the end of your session.

6) Enter your First Name, Last Name, and Email Address. Your Email Address will be used as your login/User ID.

7) Enter a Password of your choosing.

8) Enter your Phone Number and Mailing Address.

9) Read and agree to the Terms of Use, then click "Sign Up" on the bottom of the page. Activate your account by clicking the link in the confirmation email sent by info@pay4schoolstuff.com.

10) To edit student information, at the top of the page under "Parent Options" select "Your Students". Enter the First Name and Last Name of your student. Your school may require entry of the Student ID and/or your child's Teacher Name. These fields will be required if lightened during your account set-up.

11) If you do not have a student at the school, you may self-register by entering your own name, and selecting "Adult" under grade. If you are registering your child for an item or event at another school, create a new account for your child at that school. If your child changes schools, add them as a new student to the new school.

12) Select the school by specifying the State, County, and School Name from the drop-down lists.

13) Select your students' grade. Change this grade each year under Parent Options>Your Students>Edit.

14) Click "Submit" at the bottom of the page.

15) To add another student, simply repeat steps 9-12.

Shopping: 1) After logging in to your existing account, to begin shopping for your student click the "Select" link (under the "Pay For" column) next to their name.

2) A screen will appear that shows categories on the left. To see a quick preview of items offered under a category, click on the "Preview Items Available for purchase" link.

3) To begin selecting items, click on the orange "SELECT" button on the right.

- 4) If you do not see the item you are looking for, it has either sold out or is otherwise unavailable for purchase. You may search for an item in the Marketplace tab on the upper left-hand menu bar.
- 5) Select an item by clicking the box on the left side of the screen, under the "Select" column.
- 6) Specify the quantity, size, color, text entry and/or other information that may be required for this item.
- 7) If you have any questions about an item, click on the "?" in the upper right-hand corner of the item listing.
- 8) You may be asked to fill out a form, fill in your own price for an item, or select an item with "zero-cost".
- 9) Click the "Add to Cart" icon on the bottom of the screen. Continue shopping for additional items or proceed to checkout.
- 10) On the Shopping Cart page, you can review or delete your selections, shop for another student or pay.
- 11) Click the "Pay Now" icon on the bottom right corner of the Shopping Cart page to complete your purchase.

Reports and Account Services: From the "Parent Options" drop-down menu you can Edit (your) Account information, and Generate Reports showing what you've purchased. Go to "Your Students" to change their grade, teacher and/or school assignment from year-to-year.

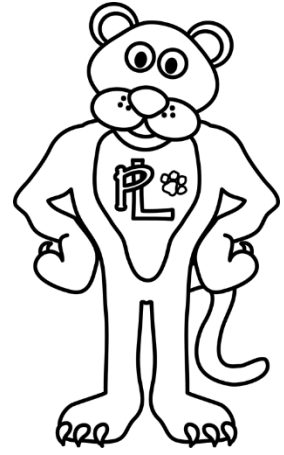
Notes: Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express credit and debit cards are accepted. For security purposes, Pay4SchoolStuff does not store credit/debit card information on the site. Card information must be entered at checkout and is securely transmitted via 256-bit encryption.

Pay4SchoolStuff does not list, track, deliver, or provide refunds for items available on the site. Questions regarding specific items, order status, changes, or item availability should be directed to the person(s) responsible for listing the items. To email the administrator who listed an item, click on the "?" in the upper right-hand corner of the item listing. Parents receive email receipts from the system for every successful transaction and have 24/7 access to online reporting. If you do not receive an email receipt, check your spam folder and add info@pay4schoolstuff.com to your safe sender list.

PRAIRIE LANE STUDENT

DIRECTORY 2019-20

PrairieLaneCommunityClub's Student Directory will be provided to you with your family contributions! If you did **NOT** choose to provide this information to Community Club via PowerSchool and wish to have this information included in the directory please fill out the following information and return to school by August 30th. Options to purchase one will also be available.



Student Name: _____

Grade/Teacher: _____

Student Name: _____

Grade/Teacher: _____

Student Name: _____

Grade/Teacher: _____

Parent's Names: _____

Preferred Address for Directory: _____

Cell Phones (Name/Number): _____

(Name/Number): _____

Email (Name/Address): _____

(Name/Address): _____

Prairie Lane Community Club 2019-20 Contributions

The Prairie Lane Community Club is asking for a contribution of \$15.00 **per family**. These funds (along with other fundraisers) will be used to cover various project expenses that come up during the year and other events/ programs like the ones we funded in past years:

- Chicks and t-shirts
- Sphere-os
- Various field trips
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Please complete the following form so that we can document your donation. Please tear off the bottom portion of this for, attach \$15 and return it to Mrs. Thompson in the office by Friday September 6, 2019. Checks can be made payable to PLCC.

Thank you so much for your participation and support!

OR Pay via your Pay4Stuff account www.Pay4SchoolStuff.com

Family Name: _____

Teacher(s): _____

Donation and Volunteer Opportunities.

Volunteer opportunities will be sent out prior to each event/activity throughout the year. We will be using Signup Genius for these communications, so please keep an eye out for those future opportunities to assist!

We are looking for volunteers to chair events.

If there is a specific event you would like to assist with or a contribution that you would like to make to the PLCC. Please contact Nichole Trovato at president.plcc@gmail.com

Listed below are **FREE** options for our school to earn money through various companies or apps.



Box Tops: YES we do collect box tops!!!! Money collected goes directly to the school's activity fund! Please encourage friends, family, and co-workers to bring in as many as possible. We will have special prizes for those class-rooms who contribute the most during various times throughout the year. Please keep in mind that Box tops is moving to an electronic process where you now scan your receipts. We will still be collecting any physical box tops as well.

Hy-Vee Receipts: Hy-Vee will contribute funds back to our school during specific times. All you have to do is SAVE THOSE RECEIPTS!!! We will send out the specific times once we receive those dates from Hy-Vee.

Shop-a-roo: Download this app right now!!!! If you haven't heard or seen this app, "roo-points" are earned for receipts from any store that sells groceries, health items, beauty products and more! These points are then converted into cash back to our school! The receipts must be your own, but please encourage family and friends to sign-up as well.

TAGG (Together a Greater Good): Download this app right now!!!! TAGG partners with local restaurants, shops, real estate agents, orthodontists, and more! Scan receipts to generate points and cash back to the school! Encourage friends and family to sign up as well.

BE A ROOM PARENT

WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF A ROOM PARENT?

- COMMUNICATION
 - Promote School/PLCC fundraisers
 - Reminders for school events and activities via email (you will receive pre-written emails that you can customize and forward on to the parents in your room)
 - Help teachers answer questions from parents regarding events
 - Encourage parents to attend PLCC meetings and events
- COORDINATING
 - Responsible for finding parents to fill needs for Halloween and Valentine parties (party coordinator and parents to work at the parties)
 - Special requests—asking parents to help support and encourage teacher (teacher's birthday, random thank-you-for-all-you-do!)
- CONNECT PARENTS
- EXCHANGE IDEAS WITH OTHER ROOM PARENTS
 - BRAINSTORM for parties and events (Due to the changes in the District's Safer and Healthier Food Policy, parties may need to incorporate more games and activities!)
 - Share good ideas and successes for connecting parents and supporting our teachers

CAN THERE BE MORE THAN ONE ROOM PARENT?

- NO, only one room parent will be appointed for each classroom to simplify the communication process. However, a room parent is able and encouraged to delegate tasks to other parents in the same room as needed.

If you have any questions, please contact Michaela Tighe at rockymountaintighe@gmail.com, Anna Lehotyak at annamerrick@hotmail.com or Nichole Trovato at plcc.president@gmail.com