

# Message from the PTO

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## UPCOMING COTTONWOOD EVENTS AT A GLANCE...



RUN4FUNDS

Cottonwood's LARGEST Fall fundraiser is THIS FRIDAY, August 26<sup>th</sup>! This year's goal is \$100 in Pledges per Student! School Goal is \$35,000.

Pledges are due on **Friday, September 2nd**

Go to [www.Run4FundsColorado.com/cottonwood](http://www.Run4FundsColorado.com/cottonwood) to place online pledges.

### What to Expect on RUN DAY!!!!

Students will run/walk as many laps as they can around the track in 30 minutes during their specials time. The track is 1/16 of a mile (16 laps = 1 mile). Students have averaged about 25 laps with a 50 lap max. Parents, you are invited to this event. Volunteers are needed throughout the day! The students will be running during their specials time. Please sign-up on the sign-up genius below!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f4eaca82ca20-cottonwood3>



### CULTURAL CONNECTIONS WELCOME BREAKFAST & KICK-OFF MEETING

Please join us on **Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00** am in the Cottonwood Cafeteria for our welcome breakfast and kick-off meeting. Meet, eat, and share a token of your cultural or global passions with other parents in the community. Light breakfast provided & little kids welcome! This has always been a wonderful opportunity to welcome and reconnect with families in our community, talk about who we are and the heritage or cultures we cherish, and make globally-minded recommendations for the upcoming year.

\*\*Bring a wrapped coin, treat, postcard or other inexpensive trinket to represent your cultural heritage or interest in a little gift exchange. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Tan (smui2@[yahoo.com](mailto:yahoo.com)) or Jennie Preece ([jenniepreece@gmail.com](mailto:jenniepreece@gmail.com)).

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<http://cottonwoodcreekpto.com/2016/08/18/mom-dad-kids-dogs-lots-of-fun-upcoming-parties/> for details and registration information for all the parties listed below.

**August 27<sup>th</sup> Bike Pub Crawl** – Grab your sitter and your bike and meet at the Cottonwood parking lot. Let's mix and mingle as we ride through the neighborhood going to local bars and restaurants for a drink.

**September 11<sup>th</sup> Doggie Dip and Dive.** Bring your dogs to Cherry Creek Vista Pool to watch them dive into the pool before the pool is winterized for the season. This event is open to all-sized, nice dogs. A baby pool available for our little pooches. Meal deals will be available

**September 16<sup>th</sup> Dudes and Daughters Dance** . Girls of Cottonwood, grab your favorite Dude and head out to a night Under the Stars at the Annual Dudes and Daughters dance. A small snack will be served. Deadline to register is September 7<sup>th</sup> .



**September 17<sup>th</sup> Mother-Son Kickball Game.** Boys of Cottonwood and their moms are invited to join other mom /son teams and play a fun game of kickball. Deadline to register is September 11<sup>th</sup> .



### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Cottonwood is a special place due in large part to our parent community. There are multiple ways to share your time and talents at school if you so choose. Please visit <http://cottonwoodcreekpto.com/volunteermanager/> to select which committees for which you are interested. You can find a description of volunteer positions at <http://cottonwoodcreekpto.com/files/2015/07/Volunteer-Descriptions.pdf>

**All volunteer selections should be made by Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, at which time volunteer committee chairs will begin contacting you.** The key to our continued success lies with our amazing group of parent volunteers. Thank you!

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT COTTONWOOD...



### Upcoming Dates:

- 8/26: *Run4Funds Fun Run Day*
- 8/27: *Bike Pub Crawl*
- 9/2: *Mixed Up Shoe Day*
- 9/5: *No School – Labor Day*
- 9/6: *School Picture Day*
- 9/9: *Run4Funds Prize Day*
- 9/11: *Doggie Dip and Dive*
- 9/16: *Dudes & Daughter Dance*
- 9/17: *Mother/Son Kickball Game*