



MORNING CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2020

WELCOME MESSAGE FROM PTA PRESIDENT & EVP

Welcome back Colts and MCES families! We are lucky to have wonderful teachers and staff who have been adapting to this new environment as well as parents who have been playing a larger role in supporting them so our children can have a "normal" school year.

A special shout out to all the new chairs and board members who have stepped up to give back to the community.

Sincere thanks to our veteran chairs and board members for providing the support for transitioning the new team. We love the diversity of our team.

To our new and returning members, donors, and volunteers - we are grateful for your support.

To our children - we love your spirit and will do all we can to ensure your safety and well being.

This year is a challenging one. Change is not easy but it helps when we acknowledge that we are in this together.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



KIM WILBERS

Chair-Super Colts and Food Drive

Kim has been working throughout the pandemic with support from Principal Taylor and kind donations from families to ensure food security for our community/families in need. Thank you for your commitment and working behind the scenes!!

THANKYOU



<https://www.ecr4kids.com/>

ECR4KIDS, a local San Diego company specialising in playtime and learning materials, has generously donated homework folders for Morning Creek Students.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sep 30 - Room Parent Orientation
- Oct 2 - Last day of Colt Fund donation drive
- Oct 7 - STEM Challenge # 4 launches
- Oct 8 - GIS Club Virtual Open House
- Oct 12 - Spirit Wear distribution

[Click here to RSVP :](#)

<https://www.mcespta.org/calendar-events>



UPDATES FROM PTA PROGRAM CHAIRS

SCHOOL SUPPLIES



This year we delivered about 176 School Supply Kits to MCES families who placed an order and chose this convenient option of ordering the SchoolKidz school supply kits. A sincere *Thank You* to the parent volunteers who helped sort the kits ,take inventory, and deliver them to the teachers.

-Cheryl Hillman, School Supplies Chair

STAFF LUNCH



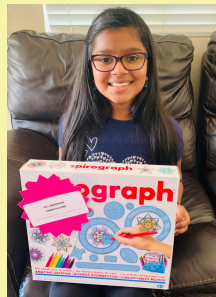
On the Monday before school start, August 31, Morning Creek PTA welcomed back our amazing teachers and staff with a grab-and-go style sandwich lunch. PTA board members Gitanjali Shinde, Lenore Joseph, and Serena Tran worked as a team to put this event together.



STEM PROGRAM



PTA STEM team has an exciting set of activities and STEM Challenges planned for our Colts this year. We had a good start with our Morning Island Logo Design Challenge with more than 20 students participating. The winning entry was selected by a voting process. Congratulations, Riya A (Gr 5) !



Our team debuted a 'Meet The Expert' virtual meets series by inviting Dr.Cheryl Wilen, an Agricultural Scientist, to meet with our students and answer their questions. Check out snippets from this session in the video included here. We had a full house with about 20 students across all grades participating.

-Jamie Lawson , STEM Chair (mcestem@gmail.com)

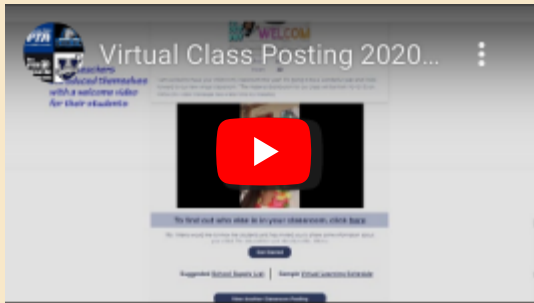


MCES PTA is fortunate to have Jamie Lawson, a computer scientist and former Lockheed Martin Fellow, as our STEM chair this year to mentor our Colts.



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WEBSITE



We are very excited to launch our MCES PTA website this year. Our volunteer team worked hard to build and launch the website with Virtual Classroom Posting. The MCES PTA website (www.mcespta.org) is our one stop portal for all PTA related information. We encourage MCES families to use the website to:

- RSVP for PTA events
- Learn about PTA board members and program chairs
- Submit information for STEM and fitness challenges
- Contact the PTA using the Contact form

-Damanpreet Singh, Website Chair (admin@mcespta.org)



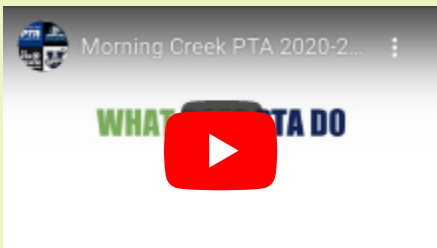
Morning Creek PTA extends a special Thank You to Daman for generously volunteering his time and expertise to help his nieces' school.

MEMBERSHIP

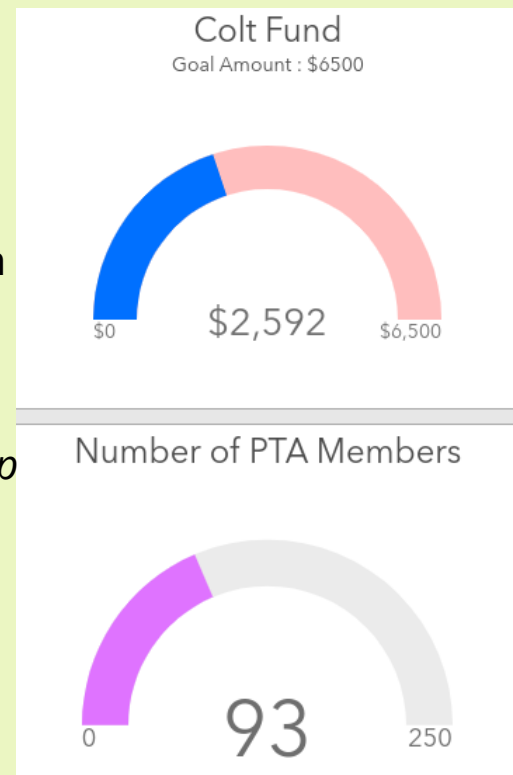
If you find value in the programs supported by the PTA, please join us by giving your time and/or donations to Colt Fund. Check out the video to get an understanding of PTA programs at MCES.

We need your help, now more than ever.

-Serena Tran, VP of Membership



Interactive Membership Dashboard



A special mention to the creator of this video, **Fernando Arroyo**. Thank You, Fernando, for volunteering your time and skill to help your sibling's school.

