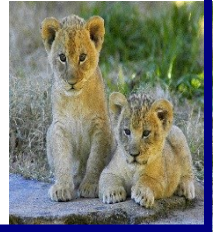




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**Our Vision:** Galway Elementary School will empower students to be valued, productive members of a global society.

**The Galway Pledge :** We pledge to respect one another, to be trustworthy and fair. We will care about each other, and be good citizens. Above all else, I will take responsibility for my actions, in a quest to build a better you...and a better me.

## Principally Speaking: "Returning to School"

Unfortunately, our children are being bombarded by uncivil actions and conversations happening around them on a daily basis. As we turn on the television, listen to the news, engage with social media networks, students hear adults or their classmates being uncivil to one another. The sad news is that our students may begin to believe this works, or that the biggest bully or the rudest person endures no negative consequence or actually benefits from their uncivil actions.

According to the dictionary, civility is formal politeness or courtesy in behavior or speech. Civility is recognizing the humanity of others and putting the common good above your own self interest. Yes, civility is showing restraint, treating people with respect and listening to others who have a different opinion without being rude. It is up to all of us to let our children know that civility to one another is a choice that should be made if we are to live peacefully with one another.

Try these tips on teaching children civility:

- ◆ Teach manners-children who learn to say please, thank you, excuse me, I'm sorry, create a positive environment around them. A major part of civility is politeness.
- ◆ Model tolerance and acceptance-teach children to accept people who are different. Showing respect for different cultures helps destroy stereotypes and increases a positive environment.
- ◆ Apologize often-our children understand that an apology does not make them weak or powerless, but shows that we care about someone else's feelings.
- ◆ Encourage empathy-when children consider the feelings of others, they are showing empathy. Ask them how they think another person feels in situations and discuss it.
- ◆ Serve the community-help children find things they can do to help in their community. The feelings of pride and accomplishment children feel when they know their actions make a difference and helps others. Let them know that this is what good citizens do.

Finally, you must practice what you preach. Let children see you being civil even when others are not. Show them that you know how to disagree, but not be disagreeable. Everyday there are multiple opportunities for us to model civility for our children.

*"Children have never been very good at listening to their elders, but they never fail to imitate them." James Baldwin*

## January

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**January 26**

Briggs Chaney Articulation Meeting  
Principal's Tea 6:00-7:30 pm

**January 27**

3rd -Materials Distribution 9:30-4:00

**January 29**

Schools Closed– Professional Day  
3rd -Materials Distribution 9:30-4:00  
End of Marking Period 2

## February

**February 2**

PTA General Meeting 7:30-8:30pm

**February 10**

Valentine Day Celebration 9:45-10:30

**February 12**

Schools Closed– Professional Day





## Marking Period 3 Material Pick-up

Wednesday, January 27 & Friday, January 29  
9:30 am-4:00 pm

Bring your child's name and id# and grade on a sheet of paper and pull up for a contactless pick-up of curriculum materials. Delivery in the car-loop lane.

## Período de marcado 3 Recogida de materiales

Miércoles 27 de enero y Viernes 29 de enero

9:30 am-4:00 pm

Traiga el nombre y la identificación de su hijo en una hoja de papel y deténgase para una recogida sin contacto de los materiales del plan de estudios. Entrega en el carril del coche-loop.



**Black History Month** is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing their central role in U.S. history. Also known as African American History Month, the event grew out of "Negro History Week, the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans. Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month. Other countries around the world, including Canada and the United Kingdom also devote a month to celebrating Black History. The theme for 2020 was "African Americans and the Vote".

The Black History Month 2021 theme, "Black Family: Representation, Identity and Diversity" explores the African diaspora, and the spread of Black families across the United States.



BRIGGS CHANEY MIDDLE SCHOOL  
INCOMING 6TH GRADE  
VIRTUAL PARENT NIGHT

**WELCOME TO  
6TH GRADE  
JANUARY 26TH  
6PM - 7:30PM**

**CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE ZOOM**  
MEETING ID: 972 3269  
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**6PM-6:30PM**  
SPECIAL EDUCATION MEETING

**6:30PM-7:30PM**  
WEBINAR SESSION FOR ALL  
INCOMING 6TH GRADE FAMILIES



## Galway Lions PTA

### News for January 2021



Happy New Year to all of our Galway Families!

The Galway Lions PTA hopes you had a safe winter break and good start to 2021! Please look out for a New Year's Greeting from the PTA in your child's bag at the next material pick up. We hope your child and family will enjoy it!

We would like to thank everyone who participated in our "Welcome Winter Celebration" and those who supported our restaurant fundraiser at "Angel's Pizza and Pasta" in December. Huge thanks to those who sent in "Notes of Gratitude". The slide show for our Galway teachers turned out beautifully. Click this link if you'd like to see it yourself: <https://spark.adobe.com/video/YQKxzBTKz9YLe>

The Galway Lions PTA is currently working on other ideas to help the Galway community. We are planning to support our youngest readers by getting a book for each K-student. Also, we need your help in putting together Galway's first recipe book "Feeding our Galway Lions – A Recipe Book from Galway's Community". Our community has so many different backgrounds, it would be fun to show our diverse culture through delicious recipes. What a wonderful idea from one of our PTA members! Please help by emailing your favorite recipe (appetizer, main dish, dessert) in a word document to [info.galwaylionspta@gmail.com](mailto:info.galwaylionspta@gmail.com).

Mark your calendars for upcoming PTA Events in February:

1. **General Membership Meeting** on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 from 7:30-8:30p.m.  
Please join us on Zoom for our General Membership Meeting. We would love to see you there and discuss what you would like to see in the PTA in 2021. Zoom information to follow.
2. **Virtual Family Fun Night:** Friday, February 26, 2021 at 7:00p.m.  
Please join us for dancing, games and a fun, virtual celebration for the whole family. Zoom information to follow.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at these events. As always, please also consider becoming a Galway Lions PTA member. This year, dues are only \$5 (plus a \$0.68 online convenience fee). Please click on this link to join the PTA: <https://galwaylionspta.new.memberhub.store/store>. We'd love to have you!

Never hesitate to reach out to the Galway Lions PTA via email at [info.galwaylionspta@gmail.com](mailto:info.galwaylionspta@gmail.com) or visit our FaceBook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/galwaylionspta>. We are looking forward to hearing from you!

Your Galway Lions PTA Officer Board 2020-2021

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## PTA Leones de Galway

### Noticias del mes de enero 2021



¡Feliz año nuevo a todas nuestras familias de Galway!

¡La PTA de los Leones de Galway espera que haya tenido unas vacaciones de invierno seguras y un buen comienzo para el 2021! Esté atento al saludo de Año Nuevo de la PTA en la bolsa de su hijo en la próxima recogida de material. ¡Esperamos que su hijo y su familia lo disfruten!

También nos gustaría agradecer a todos los que participaron en nuestra "Celebración de Bienvenida de Invierno" en diciembre y a los que apoyaron la recaudación de fondos de nuestro restaurante en "Angel's Pizza and Pasta". Muchísimas gracias a quienes enviaron "Notas de gratitud". La presentación de diapositivas para los maestros resultó hermosa. Haga clic en este vínculo si desea verlo usted mismo: <https://spark.adobe.com/video/YQKxzBTkz9YLLe>

La PTA de los Leones de Galway está trabajando actualmente en más ideas para ayudar a la comunidad de Galway. Estamos planeando apoyar a nuestros lectores más jóvenes obteniendo un libro para cada estudiante de Kindergarten. Necesitamos su ayuda para preparar el primer libro de recetas de Galway "Alimentando a Nuestros Leones de Galway: Recetas de la Comunidad de Galway". Nuestra comunidad es multicultural, y sería divertido mostrar esta diversidad a través de deliciosas recetas. Que maravillosa idea de una de nuestras miembros de la PTA. Envíe por correo electrónico su receta favorita (aperitivo, plato principal, o postre) en un documento en Word a [info.galwaylionspta@gmail.com](mailto:info.galwaylionspta@gmail.com).

Próximos eventos de la PTA en febrero:

**1. Reunión General de la PTA el martes 2 de febrero del 2021 de 7:30-8:30 p.m.**

Únase a nosotros vía zoom para nuestra reunión general del mes de febrero. Nos encantaría verlos y discutir lo que le gustaría que haga la PTA en el 2021. Los detalles del evento se los enviaremos por correo electrónico.

**2. Noche virtual de diversión familiar: viernes 26 de febrero de 2021 a las 7:00 p.m.**

Únase a nosotros para bailar, juegos y una celebración virtual divertida para toda la familia. El evento será por vía zoom, los detalles del evento se los enviaremos por correo electrónico.

Esperamos verlos a todos en estos eventos. Como siempre, también considere convertirse en miembro de la PTA de los Leones de Galway. Este año, las cuotas son de solo \$5 (más un cargo adicional por la inscripción en línea de \$0.68). Por favor vaya al siguiente enlace para hacerse uno de nuestros miembros: <https://galwaylionspta.new.memberhub.store/store>. ¡Nos encantaría que se una a nuestro grupo!

No dude en comunicarse con la PTA de los Leones de Galway por correo electrónico a [info.galwaylionspta@gmail.com](mailto:info.galwaylionspta@gmail.com) o visite nuestra página de Facebook en <https://www.facebook.com/groups/galwaylionspta>. ¡Esperamos tener noticias tuyas!

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