DEMAREST PTO WEEKLY NEWS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 8, 2025

THIS WEEK

• TUE 12/9: DMS WINTER CONCERT @ 6:30PM

• WED 12/10: LLE HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

DMS MUSICAL CAST AUDITIONS 3:05-5:30 PM

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION @ 9AM

• THU 12/11: DISTRICT NO HOMEWORK NIGHT

• FRI 12/12: CRS WINTER CONCERT:

KINDERGARTEN @ 9AM

FIRST GRADE @ 10:30 AM

LAST DAY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE

STAFF HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

• TUE 12/16: BOE COW AND REGULAR MEETING, CRS @ 7PM

• WED 12/17: PRESCHOOL WINTER CONCERT @1:45 PM,

DOORS OPEN @ 1:30 PM

STAFF HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

• TUE 12/23: HOLIDAY RECESS - HALF DAY

• WED 12/24-1/2: HOLIDAY RECESS - SCHOOL CLOSED

PRESIDENTS' HIGHLIGHTS

A big round of applause to the CRS and DMS Holiday Boutique volunteers

for spreading festive magic last week! We hope your children brought home some adorable treasures.

There's still time to add a little extra cheer to the Teacher & Staff Appreciation Holiday Luncheon.

Just visit Membership Toolkit and click the homepage link to contribute—optional, but always appreciated!

LLE's Holiday Boutique is THIS Wednesday, December 10th.

Students will shop during the school day, and
families are welcome after school from 3:15-4:15 pm.

Keep an eye out for the boutique letter heading home with
details and a handy cash envelope.

Holiday shopping plus math skills? A win-win!

-Batool & Lauren

Demarest PTO Co-Presidents president@demarestpto.org

HELPFUL TIPS & REMINDERS

- There is still time to promote your business while supporting the 2026 Read-A-Thon! Email readathon@demarestpto.org for more info! Check out the fluer below.
- Don't forget to look for the LLE Holiday Boutique letter
 & envelope coming home with your child this week.
- Join the PTO @ www.demarestpto.org, to gain access to the student directory and so much more!
- Fun fact: You can download an app to access the PTO website with just a tap! Look for this icon

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WANT TO HELP @ LLE?!
SIGN UP HERE





CREW INFORMATION Set Design

Paint and design sets, props, and publicity materials. Set design will meet on Fridays @ 3:15-5:15 PM 1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/27, 3/6 Optional Saturdays May be Added to the Schedule

Performance Crew

To be selected for Performance Crew, you must have participated in crew or set design last year. Priority given to 8th graders followed by 7th, with a maximum of 6 students selected.

If interested, email dmsmusical@demarestpto.org only after you are registered on Toolkit. You will be contacted if chosen.

Must be available: 3/4 (Wed), 3/9 (Mon), 3/11 (Wed) @ 3:15-6:30 PM and March 12 & 13, 6pm-9:30PM

REGISTRATION OPENS DECEMBER 15 AT 9 AM

Must register at Demarestpto.org Families must be PTO members to enroll. Crew Fee is \$150

Maximum 25 Students - First Come First Served

Questions? DMSMusical@DemarestPTO.org

SNOW.

Secret

We are grateful for you!

THANK YOU TEACHERS & STAFF

THIS YEAR'S HOLIDAY LUNCHEON WILL BE ON DECEMBER 17, 2025, COMPLETE WITH DELICIOUS FOOD, FESTIVE TOUCHES, RAFFLES, AND PLENTY OF FUN!

IF YOU'D LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE, PLEASE VISIT THE DEMAREST PTO MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT TO MAKE YOUR DONATION BY DECEMBER 12. AS ALWAYS, YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A PTO MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE—EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO BE PART OF THIS COMMUNITY EFFORT!

BELOW ARE THE SUGGESTED CONTRIBUTION AMOUNTS, THOUGH ANY AMOUNT IS SINCERELY APPRECIATED:

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IF YOUR CHILD(REN) ATTEND 1 SCHOOL: \$25

IF YOUR CHILD(REN) ATTEND 2 SCHOOLS: \$35

. IF YOUR CHILD(REN) ATTEND 3 SCHOOLS: \$40



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ATTENTION CRS. LLE & DMS... **GET READY TO EXERCISE YOUR MINDS AND READ!**

STAY TUNED FOR MORE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR 🜙 THE 2026 DEMAREST PTO

WINTER OLYMPICS

READ-A-THON!

JANUARY 12-25. 2026



Interested in becoming a Read-A-Thon Sponsor and supporting the Demarest PTO? We would love to partner with local families, businesses, and community members to help make this event a success. Your support directly benefits our students & school programs.

DETAILS!

If you're interested or would like more information, please email readathon@demarestpto.org for details about sponsorship levels and opportunities. Want to be featured in next week's PTO Newsletter? If so, there is still time to be a Silver or Gold level Sponsors!

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS SILVER AND GOLD SPONSORS!



GOLD SPONSORS:





Jessica and Bryan Cloonan of The Corcoran Group



SILVER SPONSORS:



Casey Halper, OTR & Audrey Kent, M.S. CCC-SLP





DEMAREST COMMUNITY & OTHER NEWS



Parent Discussion Group Families and Screens

The Famillies & Screens discussion group is a gathering of local parents, caregivers, and educators that has been created to share challenges, strategies, and resources around screen time and technology at home and at school. It is facilitated by three moms in town -- Joanna Fried, Fatemah Mamdani, and Sandhya Nankani. Joanna is a pyschiatrist, Fatemah is a pediatric anesthesiologist, and Sandhya is a children's media producer and educator.

For our December meeting, we'll be discussing the new book Power On: Managing
Screentime to Benefit the Whole Family by Ash Brandin—a practical and encouraging look
at how families can use technology in ways that support connection, health, and balance.
For how to acquire the book, go to The Demarest Library Parent Discussion Group
calendar event to learn more!

Whether you've finished the book or just want to listen and learn, we hope you'll join us for thoughtful conversation and community



