

The **BEE** **MAIL**

NAOMI L. BROOKS
ELEMENTARY PTA[®]

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TEACHER APPRECIATION SEPTEMBER



Rise and Shine!!!

We all know that every day is better with a bite to eat and (for most of us) a big cup of coffee. In past years, our community has worked to provide teacher appreciation lunches monthly through generous donations by our students and parents. This year, we want to keep our tradition, but with a pandemic-era twist.

Instead of covered dish lunches, we are going to "stuff the breakroom" with treats. For our first month, we selected Coffee and Breakfast snacks. At the request of our teachers, a new Keurig is being supplied in the staff lounge by the PTA. If you are inclined, feel free to send your favorite K-cups or breakfast treats to school for our teachers and staff to enjoy.

There is a collection box at the reception desk through Friday, 9/17. As parents aren't able to enter the building you can ask your student to drop at that location or you can also send Amazon purchases directly to the school at:

Naomi L. Brooks Elementary School
Attn: Teacher Appreciation
600 Russell Rd
Alexandria, VA 22301

Signup Genius Link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054fa5ae28a5fd0-rise>

As always, thank you so much for your generosity!

Scouting Night is TONIGHT at Beach Park

Dear Brooks Families,

You may not know it, but Alexandria's Cub Scout Pack 135 is chartered by our very own Naomi Brooks PTA. The pack is mostly made up of boys from Brooks Elementary and Mount Vernon Community School, but welcomes *ALL* families.

The pack has a fun year ahead of outdoor adventures, including camping and hikes, community volunteerism and more. **All interested boys (and their families) are invited to join the pack tonight at 6 pm at Beach Park (behind Naomi Brooks Elementary).** The pack is especially interested in new K and 1st Graders, but all grades are welcome.

For more information contact: Cub master Carlisle Campbell (carlisedcampbell@gmail.com).

Brooks Dine-Out @ Lena's is September 20!



BROOKS DINE-OUT @ LENA'S! SEPT. 20

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"NAOMI BROOKS ELEMENTARY"
AND 10% OF SALES
WILL SUPPORT BROOKS.
FOR DINE-IN AND TAKE-OUT.

Brooks Shirts for sale!

Shirts for sale! There are a limited number of extra Brooks Elementary T-shirts that the PTA is selling as a mini-fundraiser for \$7/each from our first printing.

Cash or check only. Contact Kara Macek if interested!

Kara Macek
202-470-5356
karakmacek@gmail.com

Please help our school and...

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Naomi L. Brooks PTA is an *all-volunteer* organization. We rely on our tremendous team of parent leaders to implement our many programs and activities.

Below are our current volunteer openings, but if you want to help out and none of these appeals to you, let us know and we can

find a match among our many committees.

President-Elect - This position acts as an aide to the president and performs the duties of the president if the president is unable to do so. This is a one-year term, and the president-elect automatically assumes the role of president in the coming school year. (The president presides at all the meetings, coordinates the work of all officers and committees, among other duties.) *We really need a president-elect because the president can only serve one year per the bylaws.* Current or past presidents are happy to answer any questions about the position.

Membership Lead - Do you love to meet new people, have an interest in marketing and communications, and have a knack for technology? We are looking for someone who can take the lead in marketing membership to the Brooks community and help manage member data. This position is most active in the fall when we are asking members to renew or recruiting new members.

In addition, we have a need for volunteers to lead our large fundraising events coming up in the spring for our annual gala and Spring2Action.

Contact Kara Macek karakmacek@gmail.com to learn more about these awesome public service opportunities!

Thank you to those who have volunteered to be Room Parents!

There are just a couple of spots still needed!

Parent Volunteers are essential to the Brooks community. Please consider serving as a room parent for your child's class.

We are still looking for room parents for the following classes: [King \(1\)](#); [Hojnowski \(2\)](#); [Ramirez \(1\)](#).

The Room Parents will work closely with the teacher to identify support needs such as organizing virtual events and classroom Mystery Readers, helping teachers find needed resources or materials, providing continuous communication between the teacher and parents, and supporting parents, and creating a sense of classroom community.

If you are interested in being a Room Parent for your child's homeroom teacher, please fill out the short survey found here: <https://forms.gle/vfZKZSUX53gGckY28>. I look forward to hearing from many of you soon and to working with all our wonderful Room Parents this year to make this a great school year!

Thank you,

Bryanne Cordeiro Reynolds
Naomi Brooks Room Parent Coordinator
bryanne.cordeiro@gmail.com

Join the Brooks PTA for 2021-2022



Please consider joining or renewing your annual membership. The Brooks PTA helps to foster and shape our Brooks community and works with the school's teachers and administration to fund essential programs (such as tutoring support) and support our teacher's needs. Together we can make things happen for our school. [Join the PTA for the 2021-2022 School year.](#)

Frequently Requested Links

STAY CONNECTED

- Make sure you've subscribed to Ms. Hess' weekly emails and ACPS updates.
- Get PTA updates: Just text the message "@nlbrooks" to the number 81010 to sign up for this service provided by the PTA. Email brooks-bees+subscribe@googlegroups.com to receive emails. Like our [Facebook](#) page and follow [Brooks PTA on Twitter](#).
- Miss an email? Looking for PTA meeting minutes? Catch up on our website at brooksppta.org
- Need internet access? Submit an Internet Access request.

OTHER INFORMATION

- If you are interested in receiving updates from the TAG AC, find ACPS Friends of TAG in [Google Groups](#), click "Apply for membership" and "apply to join this group." If you have trouble

joining the group, contact [Laura Rose](#).

- Need to add school closings to your calendar? Import the [Brooks PTA calendar](#)!
- Need help with [PowerSchool](#)?
- [Food access information](#) for ACPS families

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