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NAOMI L. BROOKS
ELEMENTARY PTA®

October 5, 2021

**Brooks Dine-Out Tuesdays STARTS TODAY!
Support the Brooks PTA by eating at Chadwicks,
starting today and every Tuesday in October!**



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TUESDAYS @ Chadwicks®**
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**10% OF ALL SALES EVERY TUESDAY IN OCTOBER
WILL SUPPORT THE BROOKS PTA**





Wednesday,
October 6th

All ACPS Students, Families & Staff are invited to
participate in:

National Walk to School Day 2021!

Join children and adults around the world to celebrate
the benefits of walking and bicycling.

Let's Get Moving!

We know that moving your body is important to get your mind ready to learn, so lace up your sneakers, grab a mask, and take a walk before, during, or after school!

For more information about ACPS Safe Routes to School visit:
<https://www.acps.k12.va.us/Page/3600>

Reflections Art Competition 2021
Entries Due Oct. 15



DANCE
CHOREOGRAPHY



FILM
PRODUCTION



LITERATURE



MUSIC
COMPOSITION



PHOTOGRAPHY



VISUAL ARTS

The 2021-2022 theme for this national contest is ***I Will Change the World by...*** Each year, students from across the country in pre-K through grade 12 create theme-based artwork in dance choreography, film production, literature, musical composition, photography, or visual arts. Last year, Alexandria students even placed at State!

Students may enter in 1 of 2 ways:

1. By placing [this entry form](#) and artwork in the bin by the door of the library or on the porch at 602 Johnston Place. This method is preferred, especially for visual arts, as judges get a better idea of the work when it's larger and not on a screen.
2. By completing the online entry form (In English and Spanish) <https://forms.gle/UJYzsbCUXogGdz1u5>

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<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/54-1991273>

Meet Your School Board Candidates!

School Board Forum
October 13 · 7 PM

Submit
your
Questions

Envíe sus
preguntas

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Alexandria PTAC

PTAC is proud to once again sponsor the Virtual Alexandria PTAC School Board Forum this year on October 13th at 7pm. (Zoom link forthcoming)

In addition to this virtual forum, PTAC is also hosting an informal meet the candidate event on October 2nd, 4pm at the William Ramsey tennis courts. (Rain date will be October 3rd at 4 pm). Please mark your calendars!

We are asking all PTA members to help us spread the word about these events to the broader community. In particular, we need those requiring interpretation services to register by October 2nd, to allow us time to secure sufficient interpreters.

You can find out more about these events, the election, and the candidates on the Alexandria PTAC website.

<http://alexvaptac.org/sbelection2021/>

There you will also find a flyer for the events that have been translated into Amharic, Arabic, English, and Spanish:

You can also find information on the events on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/alexandriaptac>

[Questions for the candidates? Submit them here!](#)

Additional languages:

[Arabic](#) | [Español](#) | [Amharic](#)

BROOKS SPIRIT WEAR ON SALE NOW!



Brooks Spirit Wear, now with the official Naomi L. Brooks Elementary logo is [on sale at SquadLocker.](#)

For an extra 15% off at checkout, enter code: **HARVEST15**

10% Of Your Purchase Supports the PTA!

Fall Book Fair Coming in November!

This fall we're partnering with Hooray for Books to hold an in-store Book Fair Thursday, November 4th-Sunday, November 7th at Hooray For Books at 1555 King Street.

Here's why you should come shop:

- Brooks PTA will get 20% of sales.
- There will be a larger selection than in-school book fairs.
- They are open from 10-6 so there is plenty of time for shopping.
- You can show appreciation for teachers by purchasing something from their wish list.
- We will be supporting a wonderful local business.

Bonus: Former Brooks mom and children's author/illustrator, Courtney Pippin-Mathur, will visit Hooray for Books to promote the new book

she illustrated, Happy Diwali! on Saturday, November 6th at 3:00.
Stop by and say hello!

Please help our school and...

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HELP WANTED! President-Elect - We are still in need of a President-Elect, who will automatically assume the role of President next year. 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. Current or past presidents are happy to answer any questions about the position. Please consider volunteering!

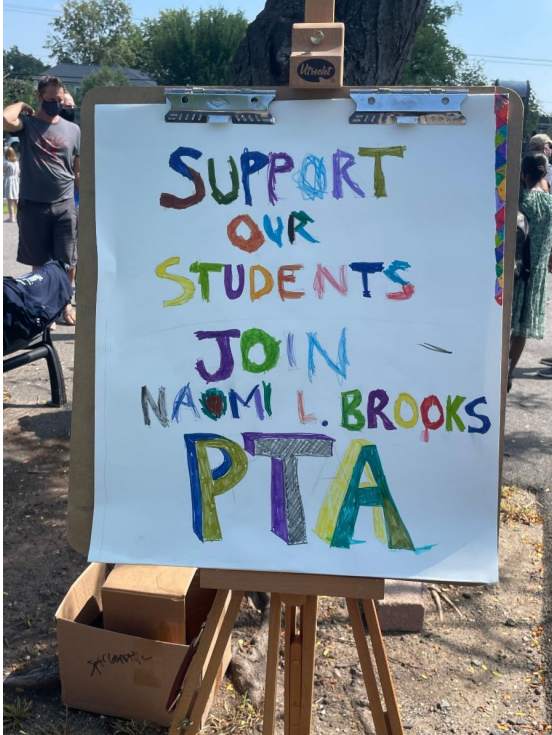
Membership Lead - Do you love to meet new people, have an interest in marketing and communications, and have a knack for technology? We are looking for someone who can take the lead in marketing membership to the Brooks community and help manage member data. This position is most active in the fall when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

In addition, we can always use help with our numerous fundraising, communications, or programming activities.

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

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.](#)

Upcoming Dates

- **October 4-8: Anti-Bullying Spirit Week at Naomi L. Brooks**
 - **10/4 - "Kick Out Bullying"**
 - Wear Fun Sneakers Or Crazy Socks
 - **10/5 - "Shade Out Bullying"**
 - Wear Sunglasses
 - **10/6 - "Put A Cap On Bullying"**
 - Wear A Fun Hat/Cap
 - **10/7 - "Team Up Against Bullying"**
 - Wear an Athletic Shirt
 - **10/8 - "Black Out Bullying"**
 - Wear Black Clothes
- **October 15: Reflections PTA Submission Deadline**

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

- Need to add school closings to your calendar? Import the [Brooks PTA calendar](#)!
- Support Naomi L. Brooks when [you shop at Amazon](#)

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