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# JRCS PTA NEWSLETTER

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Rocket News, Mission 5.0

January 24, 2019

## Committee Reports

### Advocacy

PTA gives us a voice. OKCPS launched its Pathway to Greatness (<https://www.okcps.org/pathwayproject>). Part of OKCPS, JRCS PTA will engage and advocate in the constructive dialogue.

Join us as at district-wide meetings on restructuring:

January 24, US Grant High School 6 pm (En Espanol)

January 28, Star Spencer High School 6 pm

January 29, Douglass High School 6 pm

January 30, Classen High School 6 pm

Contact PTA Advocacy Chair NaTasha Franklin at [Advocacy@JohnRexPTA.org](mailto:Advocacy@JohnRexPTA.org) or PTA President Maggie Howell at [President@JohnRexPTA.org](mailto:President@JohnRexPTA.org) if you'd like to get involved.

### Ways and Means

RUN for Office! April will bring new opportunities to serve your school with a seat on the PTA Board or a PTA committee chair position. Let us know your interest by emailing any of our Executive Board members through [www.johnrexpta.org](http://www.johnrexpta.org)!

### Health and Safety

RUN for the Marathon! To register, go to the OKC Memorial Marathon's website [www.okcmarathon.com](http://www.okcmarathon.com).

### Membership

Join JRCS PTA! Membership is \$5 for the year. You can join online at <http://www.johnrexpta.org/> (click on the "Join John Rex PTA" tab). C'mon!

### Beautification

Join us for Campus Clean Up on Saturday, March 2, 9 am at the West Gate of JRCES. Gloves encouraged. Jobs for everyone! DONUTS and COFFEE!

[Beautification@johnrexpta.org](mailto:Beautification@johnrexpta.org)

## Upcoming PTA events

Event	Date	Details
Valentine's Party	2/14/19 (Th)	Classrooms - 2:00 pm Pre-K/K -2:30 pm G 1-5
Campus Clean Up	3/02/19	JRCES West Gate 9 am
T-Shirt Sales	3/3/19 - 3/15/19	Online
Campus Clean Up	4/06/19	JRCES West Gate 9 am
General Meeting	4/18/19	JRCES Cafeteria, 6:00 pm
Fuel Up	4/24/19	TBD
Rexfest	4/25/19-4/28/19	JRCES Playground, 10 am-8 pm daily
Muffins with Mom	5/2/19 (Th)	7:00 am JRCES
Campus Clean Up	5/04/19	JRCES West Gate 9 am
End of School Year BBQ	5/23/19	5:30 pm Bedlam BBQ (?)
T-Shirt Sales	July 2019 (exact dates TBD)	Online

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5<sup>th</sup> Annual Food, Drink, Fun & Arts/Experience Auction

April 24th at the Park House at The Myriad Gardens!

VIP Reception 5:30-7:00, \$75 per ticket  
General Admission 7:00-9:00, \$35 per ticket

### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

**Committee** - email Catherine at [catherine@appcater.net](mailto:catherine@appcater.net) or call 405.924.7951 - the next meeting will be February 18th at 6:00pm

**Sponsorship** - If you work for a company or know of one OR have friends or family members that might be interested in supporting our school, call or email Catherine for forms.

**Donations** - We need raffle donations - gift cards or prizes that will go in a \$25 or \$100 raffle box, or larger items for the silent auction - call or email Catherine for donation forms.

**Volunteer** - We will need Volunteers the day of the event - stay tuned for shift info - If you volunteer for one shift, you get free entry!

### Communication

If you missed the previous JRCS PTA newsletter, or if you misplace this one, go to [Johnrexpta.org](http://Johnrexpta.org) and click the tab "Rocket News."

If you are being affected by the government shutdown, please advise how JRSC can serve you. Confidentially reach out for assistance with any of the following, but not limited to:

\*free/reduced meal applications (our website has a downloadable form)

\*weekend backpacks with food items

\*assistance with school uniforms

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Shop through [Smile.Amazon.com](http://Smile.Amazon.com) and choose John W Rex Elementary as your charity! Bring your Box Tops for Education in a plastic baggie to your teacher.

We can also raise money for the PTA by buying a new mattress! <https://www.tuftandneedle.com/givesback/>

### Give Back Night:

Tuesday, January 29, 5:00– 8:00 pm at **Social Deck & Dining**, 1933 NW 23rd Street; 10% of all sales for the night go to PTA. This is a great chance to support our PTA AND a Rocket family business.



Inaugural RexFest  
April 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> 2019  
Oklahoma City |  
Together Square

What is RexFest? An awe-inspiring immersive art experience for EVERYONE and a new fundraiser for the John Rex PTA.

Open to the public for 4 days from April 25<sup>th</sup> – April 28<sup>th</sup>, with a special event for sponsors and VIPs on April 24<sup>th</sup> (Fuel Up, see above). Over 5,000 attendees expected to walk through AOA Albesila over the four days. Set in Together Square, an extension of the Myriad Gardens, the luminarium is for everyone and appreciated by all ages. Luminaria are extremely photogenic - a selfie playground! A luminarium is a sculpture people enter to be moved to a sense of wonder at the beauty of light and color.



[www.architectsofair.com](http://www.architectsofair.com) to find out more about Albesila

Sign up to volunteer during Rex Fest! We will need over 45 volunteers a day. Contact [KellyHaikinHadsall@gmail.com](mailto:KellyHaikinHadsall@gmail.com) to volunteer. Know of a good company that could sponsor? Contact Chris or Lesley at [RexFest@johnrexpta.org](mailto:RexFest@johnrexpta.org). Plan to attend!