



KELLOGG MIDDLE SCHOOL

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy February, Knights Family.

With only 4 months left in the school year, we are continuing to work on our goal of rebuilding school community & connection.

What makes a Strong community??

Strong communities possess the local knowledge, passion and perspective to create community cohesion and resilience as well as real and lasting change.

What makes our School Community Special??

The PTSA plays an essential role in our school community. This month we helped partner with the school ASB to assist in their food drive. Thank you to all of the community members for your generous donations. With your help, the school brought in over 4,500 targeted items for the new school pantry. Amazing!

To build adult connections, we will be hosting our Spring fundraiser (in person) on Friday, April 8th, at the Aqua Club. Keep an eye out for more info to come, from our fabulous fundraising team. The theme: **"We're gonna party like it's 2019"** Back when we could connect in person.

Early this month, we had the great privilege of hearing Christian Paige speak at our GM PTSA meeting. Christian shared some powerful & motivating stories on examining our biases and healthy ways of communicating. A great take away quote that we all admired, was:

"I want somebody who wants community to work for everybody"
-Christian Paige

SO good. As we continue to learn & grow, as your PTSA team, we will provide school community connection and support for students & staff, these next 4 months of school.

As always, Go Knights.

~Casie Tubbs

Kellogg Strong.

We had the privilege of hearing and learning from Christian Paige (educator, poet, communicator/public speaker) at our February PTA Meeting.

Christian is Black History in the making and we loved having him as a speaker and teacher, particularly in honor of Black History Month!

He invited us to examine our biases (that we all have) and learn healthy ways about communicating when difficult experiences or conversations occur. Here are some gems we took away from our time with him:

“Are we more committed to being right, or more committed to being in relationship?” -Christian Paige

Main point: “I want somebody who wants community to work for everybody” -Christian Paige

RESOURCES: click these links to learn more 

* [CHRISTIAN PAIGE'S WEBSITE](#)

* [Book: Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria?](#)
[By: Beverly Daniel Tatum](#)

* [WONDERFUL YOUTH PROGRAM THAT CHANGED CHRISTIAN'S LIFE](#)

* [Book: The Sum of Us By: Heather McGee](#)

* [Rosa Parks: in an effort to change the given narrative taught in U.S. Public Schools about who Rosa was in history: Rosa Shirt: "Nab"](#)

* [Helpful Tool: Understanding Impact/9 healthy ways to communicate by: Lee Mun Wah](#)

* [SONDER DEFINITION: SONDER — NOUN. THE REALIZATION THAT EACH RANDOM PASSERBY IS LIVING A LIFE AS VIVID AND COMPLEX AS YOUR OWN." - THE DICTIONARY OF OBSCURE SORROWS.](#)

* [LEARNING FOR JUSTICE](#)

FUNDRAISING

Kellogg PTSA is excited to announce that its annual Trivia Night, an evening of socializing, community building and fundraising, will be taking place **Friday, April 8** at the Aqua Club in Kenmore! Leave the stress of the past two years behind us because the theme is:
Throwback Trivia – Party Like It's 2019!

If you have items or experiences you'd like to contribute to the silent auction, or if you'd like to join a small group of organizers, please email the Kellogg PTSA fundraising co-chairs **Liz Labrum and Saul Clifasefi** at fundraising@kelloggptsa.org.

Everyone, please save the date and look out for more info about ticket sales. All proceeds support Kellogg PTSA's community programs, events and student enrichment.

FOOD DRIVE

THANK YOU!



Thank you to ALL who participated in the Spread the Love food drive!

Every single donation is greatly appreciated!