

Briarwood Newsletter


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Get Your Auction Tickets Now!

BRIARWOOD PTA PRESENTS



**THERE'S NO
PLACE LIKE
BRIARWOOD**

AUCTION TO BENEFIT BRIARWOOD ELEMENTARY

MILBURN COUNTRY CLUB
7501 W. 69TH STREET
OVERLAND PARK, KS

FEB
25
6:30PM

\$50 PER PERSON-CASH BAR
HEAVY HORS D'OEUVRES
DRESSY CASUAL ATTIRE

PLEASE RSVP BY FEB 11

The Auction is less than two weeks away, but you can still purchase tickets! Click here to buy them today:
<https://www.myschoolanywhere.com/directory-cart.a5w>

At the [MySchoolAnywhere](#) link you can also purchase tickets to the Auction After-Party! With Taco Bell and a continuation of the auction fun, it's an event that shouldn't be missed! The After-Party will be immediately after the auction at the home of Molly and Roger Nail and tickets are \$20 per person.

Purchase a Time Capsule Envelope

There's also still time to purchase an envelope for the time capsule to benefit the Briarwood Auction! Each student will be part of the time capsule as every class will be putting something in the time capsule. But now is your chance to buy an envelope and include letters, photos, etc., that your child will see when the time capsule is opened in 20 years. Each envelope is \$25 – you can buy multiple if you have multiple kids. To purchase time capsule envelopes send payment of \$25 (per envelope) to Amy Prendiville at 4433 W. 90th Terrace, Prairie Village, KS 66207 or send to school "Attention Amy Prendiville". **Checks should be made payable to Briarwood PTA.**

Important Upcoming Dates

- Tues. Feb. 14:
Valentine's Classroom Parties – 2:30pm
- Fri. Feb. 17:
No School for Staff Development
- Mon. Feb. 20:
No School for President's Day
- Sat. Feb. 25:
Briarwood Auction
- Wed. March 8:
**Preschool Story Time
Planet Sub Dining Partner**
- Fri. March 10 – Fri. March 17:
No School for Spring Break
- Thurs. April 6:
**Skating Party - 4-6pm
Culver's Dining Partner**
- Wed. April 12:
Preschool Story Time
- Fri. April 14:
No School for Staff Development
- Tues. April 18:
Kindergarten Enrollment – 6:30pm
- Sat. April 22
Progressive Dinner
- Wed. April 26 – Fri. April 28:
Used Book Fair
- Thurs. April 27:
Open House – 6-7:30pm
- Thurs. May 4:
**Early Dismissal – 12:30pm
Carnival – 5:30pm**
- Fri. May 5:
No School for Staff Development

Get Ready for Mobile Bidding – New to the Auction!

We're excited to launch mobile bidding at the Auction this year. You'll be able to view all of the auction items before you even get to the event. Sign up now and start planning out your bids!



Event Link: <https://casbid.com/briarwood>

How to register and bid:

1. On your mobile phone, click the [Event Link](https://casbid.com/briarwood) or type it into your browser.
2. Add first and last name.
3. Add email address.
4. Enter the mobile phone number that you plan to bring to the Auction.
5. Select your preferred notification method.
6. Enter a password of your choosing.
7. Click "Create CAS" account.
8. Once you receive the confirmation that your registration was successful, click on "CART" from the top menu.
9. Click "Add Credit Card."
10. Enter your email address, card number, expiration date and security code.
11. Click "Authorize."

You are now ready to browse the items and will be ready to place bids once bidding opens the night of the Auction!

Bidding on the Night of the Auction:

1. After you've registered and placed a credit card on your account you're ready to bid.
2. Select "Items" from the top menu to view the auction categories.
3. Select the category you wish, then click on the item on which you wish to bid.
4. In the Bid Amount box, the current incremental bid is displayed.
5. Click "Place Bid" and confirm.
6. You can also enter a MAX BID amount. Click on "Place Max Bid" and enter the maximum amount you would pay for this item. Click "Place Max Bid" again and then confirm. The system will then place auto-bids for you up to the maximum amount you've set.
7. Watch your text notices for out-bid notices and winnings.

Payments:

When the Auction closes you will receive a text message indicating that you've won something. Your items will automatically be charged to your credit card on file. From the "Cart" menu, click on "View Receipt" to view your winnings. At the end of the event you can proceed to the silent auction area to collect your items by showing your paid receipt to the volunteer.

Message From Mr. Lash – Science Night

I want to thank the PTA, volunteers, and Science Night Committee Chairs Lynn Sparks, Vicki Ives, Molly Lund, and Melissa Clark for all their help to make Science Night a huge success! The hallways were full of excitement as students, parents, and patrons had fun enjoying all of the hands-on science experiments. Our extra wide hallways with collaborative learning areas made for a perfect set up for the event. This was an awesome learning experience for our students!

At Briarwood, we have increased our STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) opportunities for our students. In library, students in grades KDG-6 participated in a coding lesson using a Sphero robot during the first semester and will soon begin another coding unit using the Dash & Dot robot. In addition, teachers have been incorporating STEM lessons into their science instruction throughout the year. Now that we have moved in to our “dream school” we are excited to open our “Dream MakerSpace/STEM Lab.” We are currently in the process of ordering supplies and furniture as we begin making our MakerSpace/STEM Lab.

The MakerSpace/STEM Lab will be the heart of innovation and design at Briarwood Elementary. Students will visit the MakerSpace/STEM Lab regularly and explore how their world works. We will learn with emerging technologies such as 3D printers, robots, littleBits, and computer programming. We will also leverage traditional building tools such as Legos, Tinker Toys, cardboard, sewing, and art supplies to learn how to invent, create, and design. While the MakerSpace/STEM Lab will be housed in the flex space upstairs, the connections will be aligned with the grade level curriculum and the resources will be available for teachers to check out throughout the year and integrate into their instruction.

Mensaje del Sr. Lash – Noche de Ciencia

Yo quiero darle las gracias a PTA, voluntarios, y al Comité de Noche de Ciencia Lynn Sparks, Vicki Ives, Molly Lund, y Melissa Clark por toda la ayuda para hacer que la noche de ciencia fuera todo un éxito! Los pasillos estuvieron llenos de emoción cuando los estudiantes, padres, y patrocinadores se divirtieron disfrutando de la práctica de todos los experimentos de ciencia. Nuestros extra anchos pasillos con áreas colaborativas de aprendizaje crearon un evento perfecto. Esta fue una experiencia de aprendizaje muy impresionante para nuestros estudiantes!

En Briarwood, nosotros hemos incrementado nuestro STEM (ciencia, tecnología, ingeniería y matemática) oportunidades para nuestros estudiantes. En la biblioteca, los estudiantes de grados K-6 participaron en una clase de codificación usando a Sphero robot durante el primer semestre y pronto comenzaran otra unidad de codificación usando el Dash y Dot robot. Además, los maestros han estado incorporando lecciones de STEM en su instrucción de ciencia por todo el año. Ahora que nosotros nos hemos movido en nuestra “escuela soñada” nosotros estamos emocionados de abrir nuestro “Dream MakerSpace/STEM lab”(Soñado laboratorio de Ciencia, tecnología, Ingeniería, y matemática).Nosotros estamos actualmente en el proceso de ordenar suministros y muebles ya que comenzamos hacer nuestro MakerSpace/STEM Lab.

El Makespace/STEM Lab será el corazón de la innovación y diseño en Briarwood Elementary. Estudiantes podrán visitar el MakerSpace/STEM Lab frecuentemente y explorar como trabaja su mundo. Nosotros estaremos aprendiendo con tecnologías emergentes como impresoras 3D, robots, littleBits, y programas de computadoras. Nosotros también aprovecharemos herramientas de construcción tradicional como Legos, Tinker Toys, cartón, la costura, y suministros de arte para aprender como inventar, crear, y diseñar. Mientras el MakerSpace/STEM Lab tendrá su casa en un espacio de la segunda planta, las conexiones serán alineadas con el nivel de currículo de grado y sus recursos que estarán disponibles para que los maestros puedan darle un vistazo en el año e integrarlo en sus instrucciones.

Spread the Word About Kindergarten Enrollment

Kindergarten Enrollment night will be Tuesday, April 18. Please call the office to put your child's name on the e-mail invitation list. Incoming Kindergarten students need to be 5 on or before August 31, 2017 to enroll for the coming school year. If you know of someone in the neighborhood that has a child that is turning 5, please pass this information to them.

Help Keep Kids Safe

Please volunteer for crosswalk duty at 86th & Juniper. There are still many dates we need help. Thank you!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f4badae229-crossing>

Prep Now for the Used Book Fair

Start saving your old books for the annual Briarwood Used Book Fair coming up Wednesday, April 26 through Friday, April 28

Check Out Summer Enrichment Options from SMSD

Explore summer programs offered through SMSD for students from Kindergarten through 8th grade at this link:
<http://summerschool.smsd.org/Pages/Summer-Enrichment.aspx>

Enrollment for summer programs begins Monday, March 20.



Earn Money for Briarwood While You Shop on Amazon

Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7152153> and designate Briarwood as your charitable organization. Briarwood will earn .5% from most purchases. Use the website <https://smile.amazon.com> each time you shop Amazon. All of your account information will remain the same but you'll be raising money for Briarwood as you shop. It's easy!

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