

PTO GENERAL MEETING RECAP

ROCHDALE EARLY ADVANTAGE CHARTER SCHOOL

March 17, 2021 | 6:30pm | Rochdale Early Advantage Charter School
Meeting called to order by Ms. Brown at 6:35 PM

In Attendance: Full Executive PTO Board, Dr. Padilla, Ms. Leslie, Ms. Boyd, Ms. Muniz, and Guest Speaker: Mr. Edaly, 45+ parents.

Here is the March 17, 2021, PTO Meeting Minutes Recap

- Happy Women's Month
- The PTO gave away LED lights and a \$25 gift card during the meeting!
- More giveaways to come! Please continue to attend monthly meetings and participate!
- Please be cognizant and take extra care of the school devices that were provided for your Scholar to excel in these times. Also, please be patient when waiting for your device to be taken care of/assessed, and/or replaced.
- PTO mask fundraiser starts this month! Buy 1 for \$6 and 2 for \$10. Please see the PTO page on the school website and Facebook.
- Resources for grade-level appropriate books for scholars (provided by PTO):
 - New York Public Library – sign up for a digital library card that provides access to databases, e-books, among other resources.
 - Kidsreads2Kids.com – created and founded by kids and is a helping resource for scholars with learning disabilities, helping kids gain confidence with each chapter.
 - Google Books
 - Libby by Overdrive – free resource with a valid library card
 - Library of Congress
 - BookRix
- There was a motion passed to forgo providing annual PTO-sponsored school breakfast, for the 2020-2021 school year, during State testing.
- Graduation/transition gifts discussed at next PTO Meeting.
- Please parents, attend the Board meeting on Monday, March 22, 2021.
- No expenses for February. The bank balance is \$5,208.00. There will be a discussion on what to do with the end-of-year funds during the May meeting.
- Guest Speaker: Mr. Shockry Eldaly, ELA Coach: reintroduced directory of books for students by grade and reading level. Please lookout for the dissemination of this via Class Dojo. The directory provides audio-assisted reading, reading exercises as well as user-friendly for both parents and Scholars. Please continue to use I-Ready, but not in the place of actual reading.
- Mr. Leslie communicated issues with the report card system. If issues persist, the progress report format will be used, but with report card grades.
- NYS issued a waiver but the school has not received information that the waiver will go through not to test. The school will test the Scholars in grades 3 through 8th on the day of the

assessment. The direction is to prepare as of right now. Regardless of tests, we want our Scholars to be on and above grade level.

- Parents who would like to opt-out their Scholars, please contact their classroom teacher and I (Ms. Leslie) will follow up to confirm and go on from there.
- REACS has not determined a date for re-opening. The discussion will continue during the Board Meeting on Monday.
- The administrative team and academic committee have recommended a virtual summer school for our Scholars. The budget has to be voted on and we will know if this is possible.
- Dr. Padilla provided ANet Assessment results for REACS. Please ask your Scholar's classroom teacher for detailed information for your Scholar. Please keep up the great work!
- Ms. Muniz: 3rd-grade parents, please bring in Ipads to exchange for laptops. Operations are in the office every Tuesday from 10 AM to 2 PM.
- Scholars will remain in the same Enrichment class for the year with culminating events.
- Spring Break begins Monday, March 29, 2021, and ends Friday, April 2, 2021.
- Reminder! Please attend the School Board Meeting on Monday, March 23, 2021.
- The next meeting is Wednesday, April 21, 2021!

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Ms. Pegues.