

TUTORS FOR KIDS, INC. NEWS April, 2016

Changing our World by Educating Kids
Our hope is to see our <u>Kids Moving Forward</u>
New Website - https://www.tutorsforkids.org/



Tutors for Kids, Inc. is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit community-based organization of volunteers who support the local educational process by responding to school requests for direct classroom tutoring in reading, math, writing, and science as well as family support and activities that enhance the educational environment leading to scholastic achievement.

YEAR-END BOOK PICKUP

TUTORS – Final dates for the end-of-the-year book pickup. Please come by if you haven't yet.

"Make-up" Days (if you missed your day)

Monday, May 2, 10 − 12,

Tuesday, May 3, 10 – 12 and 3 – 5;

Thursday, May 5, 10 - 12 and 3 - 5

THE FINAL DAY is Friday, May 6, 10 – 12

If you need to make special arrangements for pickup, call Frank and Carolyn at 352-245-9709.

<u>Database Management System</u> – Development continues that will make it much easier to track teacher request for days and subjects, and will allow the School Tutor Coordinators - STCs to more easily and accurately match tutor availability/preferences to the teacher requests. The system will replace dozens of spreadsheets. This will simplify the assignment process for new and returning tutors.

New Website

Notice some new features. New postings on "what's happening," Facebook (please 'like us' to your friends), and a donation opportunity through "PayPal."

<u>New Tutors</u> – We still need new tutors for the school year of 2016 -2017. If you are interested in tutoring students in any one of our 12 schools contact us at <u>tutorsforkids@att.net</u>. We will train you! Previous teaching experience not required. Spread the word!!

<u>Speaking of Next Year</u> – If they haven't already, shortly, your the School Tutor Coordinators - STCs (formerly, school captains) will contact you to determine your plans for next year – and if you want to stay with your same teacher. PLEASE respond to your STC's email.

Board of Directors Update – The Board met on Thursday April 4:30 – in a conference room at the Sumter County Annex Building. In addition to regular business, the board started discussing the future of Tutors for Kids.

Books for End of the Year — As of Saturday April 30 tutors have picked up over 4,100 books for their classes. If you have not picked up your books please see the schedule at the beginning of this newsletter. The final day is Friday, May 6, 10 -12. Plenty of books remain!! Remember the children need these books for their summer reading. Without books children regress.

Survey - A two-question survey is in the cover email to this newsletter. It is quick and easy – and very valuable. Your input will be especially helpful to us in evaluating the tutoring and book goals of our United Way grant.

How did your VOTE go? First Book, the donor of our books, ran a contest to give away 100,000 books from First Book and Disney. In order to win schools and programs in the state that garnered the most votes would win the books. Florida started great but slipped and finished out of the running. Arkansas, Massachusetts, and Nebraska, in that order, were the winners receiving books of 100k, 50k and 25k.

BULLETIN BOARD - Help Wanted

New School Tutor Coordinators (formerly, School Captains) Needed – IF you can give some time to help the fellow tutors and our program at your school, you can be a School Tutor Coordinator. If you can help, just email. We can talk and give more details. Here's where the needs are:

Beverly Shores, Fruitland Park, Wildwood (Grades 3 and 4-5)

REPEAT - We need your expertise and interest - The Board looking to solicit help in several areas. If your expertise is in finance, grant administration, tech, training (or the training manual), speaking, communication, publicity, etc., email us.

Please HELP. These positions are not time consuming. Your help will insure that Tutors for Kids will continue to be successful.

GOOD NEWS - The two Tutors for Kids Clubs that meet monthly have three volunteers to plan and deliver the monthly workshops: Loyola Garcia, Floyd Cogley, and Maryellen Gor. They are working on the plans for next season with a concentration on hands-on, interactive workshops for tutors. THANK YOU!!

Tutors for Kids Clubs Announcements

<u>Come hear the Principals</u> – John Temple, Principal of Wildwood Elementary School, and Monica Gordon, Principal of Beverly Shores Elementary will speak at the Village's Tutors for Kids Club on Wednesday, May 4, at 3 p.m. in the Sterling Heights Rec Center. They will talk about their school and the impact tutors make in their schools. They will answer questions from attendees.

Only one thing remains to be done in order to have a successful meeting: your presence. Wildwood has 97 tutors, and Beverly Shores has 38 tutors. Let's try to "fill the room" at Sterling Heights.

Donations - During April, foundations, clubs, and individuals opened their hearts to our book program with donations of \$6.004.85:

Foundations: \$1.500 Clubs: \$1,123

Individuals: \$1,381.85

The Villages Pops Chorus: \$2,000

WOW!! In addition, the Village of St. Charles is donating \$1,200 in early May!!! These donations buy a LOT of books for your classrooms!!! Thank you VERY much!!

Amazon Smile Foundation - If you buy from Amazon, Tutors for Kids benefits as you purchase. registered as a 501(c)(3) and get a small amount when you access Amazon through this link below. Thank you. http://smile.amazon.com/ch/45-4815598

Good News Section

Math Success - One of our tutors recently reported that two of his boys who were at the bottom of their class in September have advanced to the top of their class. Tutoring does help.

Do you have a story to share? Email us.

What are your Fellow Tutors Doing?

The Villages Pops Chorus - Leesburg tutor, David O'Dwyer is a member of the chorus. He introduced Carolyn and Frank at the beginning of their rehearsal session. Bill Davis, the director, presented them with a check for \$2,000 as part of the proceeds from their April 8 and 9 concert. We are very thankful.

School Tutor Coordinators: Here are your School Tutor Coordinators (formerly, school captains): NOTE: There is a dot (.) between the first and last name.

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Grades K-2

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