

The Pioneer News

PIONEER HIGH SCHOOL · 2010-2011 · October · Issue Two

From the Principal

Dear Pioneer Families:

As the ninth grade class principal, it has been a pleasure to get to know and welcome all of the students in the graduating Class of 2014 to Pioneer High School! I am proud of the smooth transition that our students have made from middle school and look forward to supporting the goals and ambitions of each student in my class.

Academically, the Class of 2014 has demonstrated a great effort to be successful and engaged in the learning process. The ninth grade teachers are excited about the academic teaming that has been implemented this year and the students are responding positively to a more centralized method of instruction. It is our goal at Pioneer High School to prepare every student to pursue a college education at a four-year, post-secondary institution and the ninth grade students are off to a great start.

As a reminder to parents, all ninth grade students will take the Social Studies MEAP test on October 20th. We ask that parents support us in preparing students for this assessment by making sure they are in attendance on this day and well rested.

October 1st was the date for Interim Grades to be reported. Please remember that Interim Grades will no longer be mailed home to parents. Instead, students and parents are encouraged to utilize PowerSchool to track academic progress and performance. Please contact the grade-level offices at Pioneer High School to receive password and login assistance. Parents can expect to receive final marking period grades in the mail this year.

I would also like to encourage parents to attend Parent/Teacher Conferences on October 12, 2010. This is one of two conferences offered this semester and will be "arena style" between 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Finally, the ninth grade office is excited to support all ninth grade students who are running for Student Council this month. Freshmen elections will take place on October 6th during third hour. All eligible candidates will have an opportunity to campaign and speak before the ninth grade class prior to the student vote. I would like to wish all students running for Student Council good luck in this exciting process.

I look forward to continuing to provide my support and guidance to the students in the Class of 2014 as we progress through what has started off as a positive and productive academic year.

Lisa R. Anglin
Principal, Class of 2014

Class of 2011

Need help with your College Admission Essays and Applications?

Sign up for this Ann Arbor Rec&Ed class that is listed on page 52 of the Fall 2010 catalog at www.aareced.com - or contact the teacher, Liza Atreya, at liza@essayandapp.com or see the web site: www.essayandapp.com

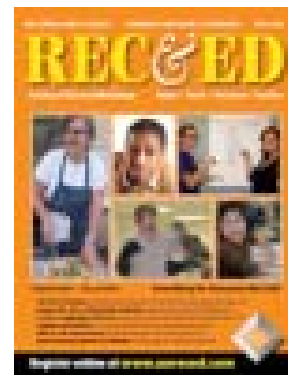
Crafting Your Best College Essay & Application

Grades 12 or 11. (Parents welcome.) With the competition for college admission tougher than ever, well-composed essays and applications can often make the difference. The instructor has helped students gain admission to UM, Harvard, MIT, MSU and many others. With actual examples, find out what makes a compelling essay and application and how to strengthen yours. Bring an essay you have started, or if you haven't begun, this class will get you going. The end of class may be spent discussing your individual essay or ideas.

Limited to 8 students. Instructor: Liza Atreya, editor and consultant. 1 class.

ID# 1338.502 October 23, Saturday
 Fee: \$45 1:30 - 3:30 Forsythe School, Media Center

(Liza Atreya is a former Huron H.S. parent and a writer and editor with over 20 years of experience. She has helped numerous students get into the college of their choice.)



Get School Information via EMAIL Subscribe to PIONEER Announcements

The Yahoo Groups Internet Announcement Service for Pioneer families is open for subscription. This FREE service allows administration the ability to send out school announcements and other information to anyone who chooses to “subscribe” to the group. To subscribe, simply send an email to:

A2PioneerAnnouncements-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
 (you do not need to send a subject nor a body to the message).

Please note that the group is for announcements only. Replies to messages sent via the group will not be forwarded to subscribers, nor will they be answered by anyone. We are very excited about the extra benefits this additional communication tool offers our Pioneer families!

PLEASE NOTE: To successfully UNSUBSCRIBE you must unsubscribe using the same e-mail address you used to subscribe. It is recommended that if you are switching e-mail carriers—unsubscribe before you make the switch.

MEDIA CENTER/TEXTBOOK DEPOSITORY

HOME ACCESS VIEW RIGHTS

Students and parents may now view their Pioneer Media Center and Book Depository loan records from home. Utilizing Destiny, a web based program, and their student log-in name and student ID number, students and parents may now review at any time what items are still on loan and what fines or obligations, if any, have been applied. Please note: obligations must still be cleared from wherever the item was borrowed – either the Media Center or the Book Depository.

DIRECTIONS FOR HOME ACCESS

From the Pioneer website home page:

- Click on the MEDIA CENTER link in the left navigation bar.
- Click on the CATALOG link in the next webpage.
- Click on the LOG-IN box in the upper right hand corner to open a new webpage.

LOG-IN using the same information that students use to access student server space. Remember that it is case sensitive.

Log In: Graduation year-last name-first name-middle initial [2012SmithJohnM]

Password: Student ID number

VIEWING THE CHECKOUT RECORD

By default, the screen opens to search the catalog of PHS Media Center. In the top navigation bar on the left side, beneath Pioneer High School Ann Arbor MI, is the MY INFO button.

Clicking on this button will allow you to view the ITEMS OUT from both the Media Center [Library Materials] and Book Depository [Textbooks].

It will also give you information on fines posted to your account. Media Center fines are 10 cents per day and max out at \$1.00 for each book that is late, while textbook fines represent replacement cost for a damaged or lost textbook. Both our Media Center and Book Depository charge for lost or damaged books. Receipts are provided for payment by cash or check only. Checks must be payable to: Pioneer High School. No credit cards are accepted at this time.

Under ITEMS OUT you will see: date due; title of item; book price and date checked out. The Pioneer Media Center and Textbook Depository utilize different due dates.

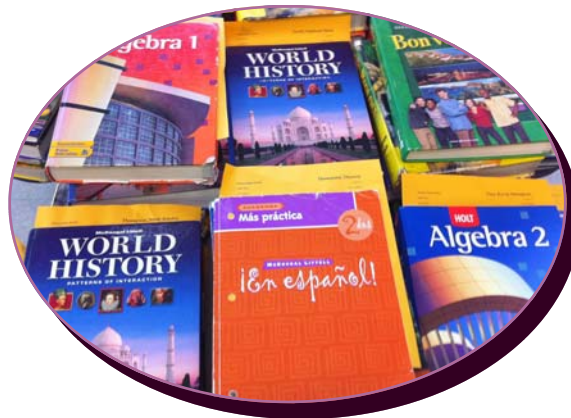
Questions or inquiries are always welcomed so please feel free to contact us during the school day at the following phone numbers for assistance.

Pioneer High School Media Center:

734-994-2160 Deborah Young

Pioneer High School Book Depository:

734-994-2186 Bill Dion



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



**Pioneer Theatre Guild's Hairspray makes its
Ann Arbor premiere on November 6.**

**Tickets are \$9.00 (students, PHS staff, seniors
65+) and \$12 (adults)**

**For more information please visit our website—
www.ptguild.org**



New Program Offerings at Neutral Zone

For the 2010-11 school year, Neutral Zone is now offering 26 programs for high school teens in the areas of Community Leadership, Education, Literary Arts, Music and Visual Arts. There are many returning favorites and some exciting new additions on the schedule.

The Building Bridges program is back after a three year hiatus. The new program is based around a partnership with Don Bosco Resource Center in Detroit. Teens from both organizations will meet monthly to engage in dialogue and create a community project to plan and implement together.



Entrepreneurship has been a hot topic at Neutral Zone lately. One of NZ's newest teen-led business ventures, Red Beard Press, has been added to the program roster. Facilitated by local author Karen Smyte and teen poet Carlina Duan, the group aims to release several anthologies of youth work this year. Newly formed Youth Owned Enterprises (YOE), will serve as an umbrella advisory group for all of NZ's youth-led businesses including in addition to Red Beard Press, Youth Owned Records (NZ's record label) and The Orpheum (NZ's recording studio). YOE will help organize business workshops and activities that will benefit all of the youth-operated businesses.

Other new initiatives include the leadership program, Getting Past Sexism (GPS), and Young People of Color (YPC). GPS is a group of young men, led by Pioneer High School senior Jon Evans and NZ staff member Danny Brown, concerned with addressing and interrupting sexism in our society. YPC is a collective of young people of color working together to develop their leadership to positively impact their community.

Neutral Zone is not just about leadership, music, and the arts; stop by Monday nights and you will find a room full of teens doing yoga and meditating. Led by NZ staff member, Natalie Berriz, the program focuses on the physical and mental benefits teens can gain from yoga practice.

Check out these new programs and many more on Neutral Zone's website, www.neutral-zone.org.

Free Tutoring At Neutral Zone

Neutral Zone continues to offer free tutoring Mondays through Thursdays, from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. NZ's dedicated quiet space accompanied by tutors and food, provides the ideal study environment. Drop-in or call in advance to request a tutor who has knowledge in the subject area of your need. For more information, call education program coordinator Rebecca Bowman at (734) 214-9995.

From the PTSO

Meetings - Please review the information below regarding the upcoming PTSO meetings. You should have received a bright green postcard in the mail listing these events.

Tues., Oct. 19: 7:30 in the Little Theater. Please join us for "The ABCs of the PSAT, SAT, ACT, AP Exams". Counselors will be presenting the newest information and details about these tests. Parents of all grades welcome.

Tues., Nov. 16: 7:30 in the Little Theater. "The Nuts and Bolts of Planning for College & Post-High School Planning".

Conferences: Arena-style conferences to be held on Tues., Oct. 12 - Gyms and cafeteria. 5:00-8:00 pm.

(More in-depth conferences will be held in November; details to come.)

Are you new to Pioneer, or just want to get more involved? The PTSO is always looking for volunteers to head up various committees through the year. Please contact Kathy Robenalt if you are interested in any of the following: Conference Planning, Registration Book-Pulling, and/or Teacher Appreciation events. Some of our key parents will "graduate" this spring and we need new folks to step up. We have always believed in the maxim: No one can do everything but everyone can do something" - when we each do a part, all of the work gets done! Call Kathy at (734) 369-3366 or email her at WRoben3357@aol.com.

Please contact any of the Board members if you ever have concerns, questions, or great new ideas about how to make Pioneer a better place for our children. Our contact information is on the last page of the newsletter. Watch for some new names! We welcome all volunteers.

Thanks,

Kathy Robenalt, . PTSO President

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Article-Info Deadline

Monday—Oct. 25 To: gsicorp@sbcglobal.net

CHOIR NEWS

The choir website - <http://pioneer2.aaps.k12.mi.us/choir/> - has an updated PHS Choir calendar (Home >> Calendar), available in Google Calendar format. Your volunteer assistance throughout the year is vital to the success of the program, and I hope you will consider how you can be involved. Please find an FOPC (Friends of the Pioneer Choirs) Volunteer form elsewhere in this newsletter. The FOPC meet once per month, with meeting dates included on the Google calendar.

October 5

Fall Choir Concert, 7:30 P.M.—Schreiber Auditorium

October 14

Chamber Concert (Choir & Orchestras) - 7:30 P.M.—Schreiber Auditorium

November 2

FOPC Meeting—7:30 P.M.—Choir Room—B108

Steven R. Lorenz

Director of Choirs—Pioneer High School

Conductor—Measure for Measure: A Men's Choral Society—Ypsilanti, MI

Office (734) 994-2189 x38534 · Fax (734) 994-2189

lorenzs@aaps.k12.mi.us

<http://pioneer2.aaps.k12.mi.us/choir/>

<http://measure4measure.org>

Important Dates

Don't Forget to Mark Your Calendar

For a complete calendar of key events at Pioneer please visit

http://www.a2pioneer.org/pioneer.calendar/phs_google_calendar



Pioneer High School Choirs

601 West Stadium Boulevard Ann Arbor, MI 48108 (734) 994-2189 FAX (734) 994-2198
www.aaps.k12.mi.us Steven R. Lorenz, Director of Choral Activities [lorenz@s@aaps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lorenzs@aaps.k12.mi.us)

FRIENDS OF THE PIONEER CHOIRS VOLUNTEER FORM 2010-2011

Student Name(s) _____ Parent Name(s) _____

Choir _____ Family E-mail address _____

Parent's Home Phone _____ Parent's Cell Phone _____

- _____ Robe Maintenance
Ongoing. Repair, maintenance, inventory following concerts, schedule cleaning of robes, collars, & stoles.
- _____ Red Apple / Morley Candy Sale
Sept & Oct: Verify order forms before orders placed (2-3 people, 3:30-5:00pm Mon. 9/28);
Reconcile payments (4-6 people, 3:30-5:00pm, Tues. 10/27).
- _____ Vocal Parents Newsletter Editor(s)
Four editions each year, one for each concert (10/5, 12/2, 3/12, 4/28).
Information from FOPC meetings, students, & the website, due to Mr. Lorenz by Tuesday prior to each concert.
- _____ Fall Choir Concert & Reception
Tues. 10/5; Ushers (3-4 people); Videotape (1 person); Set-up (2-3 people); Clean-Up (4-5 people).
- _____ Chamber Concert & Reception
Thurs. 10/14; Ushers (3-4 people); Videotape (1 person); Set-up (2-3 people); Clean-Up (4-5 people).
- _____ Fruit Sale
Mailing: Mid-Oct: mailing (1 person); Sale begins 11/1.
- _____ Winter Sing & Reception
Thurs. 12/2; Ushers (3-4 people); Videotape (1 person); Set-up (2-3 people); Clean-Up (4-5 people).
- _____ Rotary Concert
Weds. 12/8, 11AM-2PM; Chaperones (4-6 people) to accompany A Cappella & Bel Canto to the annual Rotary mtg. @ UM.
- _____ Valentine's Day Serenades
Mon. 2/14; Place orders (mid-January); Assist on 2/14
- _____ Choral Cavalcade West
Thurs. 3/10; Ushers (3-4 people); Videotape (1 person); Set-up (2-3 people); Clean-Up (4-5 people).
- _____ District Choral Festival
Thurs. or Fri. 3/17 or 3/18 @ Northville HS, all day; Chaperones (4-6 people each day).
- _____ State Choral Festival
Thurs. or Fri. 4/28 or 4/29 @ Holt HS, all day; Chaperones (4-6 people each day).
- _____ Spring Sing
Tues. 5/3; Ushers (3-4 people); Videotape (1 person); Set-up (2-3 people); Clean-Up (4-5 people).
- _____ Choir Banquet
Mon. 5/16; Set-Up & Clean-Up (4-6 people); Decorations (2 people); Check-In Table (2 people).
- _____ I am unable to volunteer at this time.



Pioneer PTSO/ASAN

GROCERY PROGRAM ORDER FORM

THE PIONEER PTSO/ALL SENIORS ALL NIGHT (PTSO/ASAN) GRADUATION PARTY provides our seniors with a safe, drug & alcohol-free, supervised, fantastic celebration at the school on graduation night.

Why should I participate in the grocery program if my student isn't a senior? To ensure the ASAN party continues, so it will be available when your student *is* a senior. *The* major source of funding for the party is this grocery program. Year-round participation in the program helps cover party costs. **No other group at Pioneer uses this fundraiser, so ALL of our families can contribute to making this night SAFE and SUCCESSFUL.**

If this is at no cost to me, how is it a fundraiser? Participating grocery stores donate a percentage to ASAN calculated from grocery sales each month.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ **ZIP:** _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

- **MEIJER'S Community Reward Program.** Register online at www.meijer.com/rewards. Organization name: Pioneer High School, code number: 992136

- **KROGER'S Plus Card Reward Program.** Register online at - www.krogercommunityrewards.com with this program you must re-enroll every year. For organization enter NPO number 82622 or Pioneer High School. Kroger is willing to give a lot to the program if you register your Kroger plus card today! Instruction's on the back!

- **Rechargeable cards. (Add more \$ at the store, no need for another card when balance is done.)**

BUSCH'S _____ cards @ \$5 each \$ _____

HILLER'S _____ cards @ \$5 each \$ _____

- **Not rechargeable cards. (Order a new card when used up.)**

WHOLE FOODS - _____ cards @ \$100 each \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE \$ _____

Complete order form, make check payable to: **PIONEER PTSO/ASAN**

Turn in at registration or Mail form & check to:
Judy Kaplan 1893 Snowberry Ridge Ann Arbor, MI 48103
Questions call 734-995-8370 or email judykapa2@aol.com

Thank you for your support!

Cash _____ Check # _____ Given @ reg _____ Mailed _____ Delivered _____ Picked-up _____

PLEASE help so the ASAN party will continue for class of 2011 and beyond!

All Senior All Night Party Fundraising!

Kroger Program has changed please read below!

(If you don't already have one, Kroger Plus cards are available at any Kroger customer service desk. If you use a phone # at the register, call 877-576-7587 to get your Kroger Plus card #.)

Note there's a pop-up screen often during the following process. Click so that **all** content is shown.

TO REGISTER YOUR KROGER PLUS CARD:

- Go to ***www.krogercommunityrewards.com***
- Click *Michigan*.
- Click *enroll* under Participant.
- As a new online customer, click ***Sign up today!*** in the '**New Customer?**' box on the right.
- Under Preferred Store, enter zip code, click *find*.
- Pick preferred store, click *select*.
- Enter email address, create a password, click *confirm*.
- Agree to the terms and conditions, click *confirm*.
- You will get a message to check your email and click on the link within the body of the email.
- Enter your email address and password, click *sign in*.
- Click *Edit Kroger Community Rewards information* and enter your Kroger Plus card number
- Click save changes.
- Update or confirm your information, click *save changes*.
- For organization, enter NPO number **82622** or **Pioneer**, select from list and click *save changes*.
- To verify correct enrollment, *Pioneer High School ASAN* should be on the right side of the page
- Logout

Although it may take a few minutes to register, it will now be so easy to support ASAN using just your Kroger Plus card every time!

If you have any questions or need a new card please contact Judy Kaplan 734-995-8370 or email judykapa2@aol.com

Study Skills Fall 2010

Learn to Study and Take Tests! - Grades 6-8 & Grades 9-12.

Do you have difficulty taking tests? Learn various study and test taking strategies that will help you prepare for upcoming test and quizzes. This class will teach the effective skills you need to prepare test day! Parents are strongly encouraged to attend class with you during the last meeting period. Instructor: Great Lakes Educational Group staff. 5 weeks. No class 11/2.

ID# 1327.501	(Gr. 6-8)	10/12-11/16	Tuesday
FEE: \$95 (\$114)		5:30 PM – 7:00 PM	Pioneer, Room D117
ID# 1327.502	(Gr. 9-12)	10/12-11/16	Tuesday
FEE: \$95 (\$114)		7:30 PM – 9:00 PM	Pioneer, Room D117

ACT Practice Exam and Parenting Meeting—Grades 10-12.

This ACT Practice Exam will help students prepare for the real thing. Learn proven, effective strategies for acing the ACT. Achievement on the ACT exam impacts choice in colleges and the ability to secure valuable scholarships. ACT practice test will prepare students for the ACT exam and help them reach their potential. Provider: Great Lakes Educational Group. The minimal \$25 fee includes the cost of the practice exam on October 4 and parent meeting on October 25.

PARENT MEETING: Parents will be provided with information about the state's ACT requirements along with their free custom analysis of their child's test score Register with ID#1329.511

Pre-Registrations for Practice Exam and Parent Meeting are required.

ID# 1329.500	10/4	Monday
FEE: \$25 (\$30)	5:00 PM – 8:30 PM	Pioneer, E107
ID# 1329.511	10/25	Monday
FREE	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	Pioneer, E107

ACT Preparation Workshop—Grades 10-12.

Enrolling in the ACT Preparation Workshop helps you prepare to successfully take the ACT test. This workshop is for students taking the ACT during the remainder of the calendar year. The best method for scoring well on the ACT and replacing anxiety with confidence is to be knowledgeable and well prepared. Information and strategies for each section of the test are included. Bring a CALCULATOR and a WATCH WITH A SECOND HAND. A manual is provided for each participant as part of the fee. Scholarship recipients pay \$20. Instructor: Great Lakes Educational Group staff. 1 class.

ID# 1329.501	10/16	Saturday
FEE: \$79 (\$95)	9:00 AM – 12 Noon	Forsythe, Media Center
ID# 1329.502	12/7	Tuesday
FEE: \$79 (\$95)	6:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Pioneer, Room D117

SAT I Test Preparation Workshop—Grades 10-12.

Students find the SAT test less intimidating after taking this workshop! Develop test-taking strategies, work on fundamental SAT skills and practice with real SAT questions. This workshop is for students taking the SAT I. Please bring a calculator. A manual is provided

for each participant. Scholarship recipients pay \$20. Instructor: Great Lakes Educational Group staff. 1 class.

ID# 1330.501	10/30	Saturday
FEE: \$75 (\$90)	9:00 AM – 12 Noon	Forsythe, Media Center
ID# 1330.502	11/30	Tuesday
FEE: \$75 (\$90)	6:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Pioneer, Room D117

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SAT/ACT Essay Workshop—Grades 10-12

Learn how to organize and write a persuasive essay within the allotted time. The scorer's rubric will be analyzed so you will understand exactly what is expected within your essay. You will practice writing an essay and receive instructor feedback about ways to improve your writing for the test. Scholarship recipients pay \$20. Instructor: Great Lakes Educational Group staff. 1 class.

ID# 1335.501	10/2	Saturday
FEE: \$75 (\$90)	9:00 AM – 12 Noon	Forsythe, Media Center

ID# 1335.502	11/20	Saturday
FEE: \$75 (\$90)	9:00 AM – 12 Noon	Forsythe, Media Center

Crafting Your Best College Essay & Application—Grades 12 or 11.

(Parents welcome.) With the competition for college admission tougher than ever, well-composed essays and applications can often make the difference. The instructor has helped students gain admission to UM, Harvard, MIT, and many others. With actual examples, find out what makes a compelling essay and application and how to strengthen yours. Bring an essay you have started, or if you haven't begun, this class will get you going. The end of class may be spent discussing your individual essay or ideas. Limited to 8 students. Instructor: Liza Atreya, editor and consultant. 1 class.

ID# 1338.501	9/25	Saturday
FEE: \$45 (\$54)	12:30 PM - 2:30 PM	Forsythe, Media Center

ID# 1338.502	10/23	Saturday
FEE: \$45 (\$54)	1:30PM - 3:30PM	Forsythe, Media Center

Finding the College that Fits Parents & Students—Parents & Students (Grades 9-12) together.

Parents and students are faced with a myriad of choices about college. Let John help you and your student find and identify the resources in your family's search for the right college. Discussion will include what your student needs and wants from school, location, admissions possibilities and finances. This class is intended for parents and students to attend together. Instructor: John B. Boshoven, M.A., M.S.W. 1 class.

ID# 1337.501	10/12	Tuesday
FEE: \$29 (\$35)	7:00 PM – 8:30 PM	Community, Room 213

Paying for the College that Fits—Parents & Students (Grades 9-12) together.

Find out where money for college comes from and how to get your fair share. Families will learn about sources of aid, the FAFSA, the College Scholarship Search Profile (CSS), and scholarship searches. Instructor provides resources to help find financial assistance for college. Instructor: John B. Boshoven, M.A., M.S.W. 1 class.

ID# 1341.501	10/19	Tuesday
FEE: \$29 (\$35)	7:00 PM – 8:30 PM	Community, Room 213

How to Write a Winning College Application Essay—Parents and Students Grades 9-12.

Walk out of this class with a jumpstart on writing a compelling, appealing and personally meaningful college application essay. Well-written essays help students get into their first choice college, clarify their strengths, and stimulate thoughts about college goals. Discussion will include the characteristics of a winning essay, determining an essay theme that highlights a student's positive and unique qualities, essay examples, and writing tips. Instructor: Debbie Eisenberg Merion. 1 class.

ID# 1339.501	9/30	Thursday
FEE: \$29 (\$35)	7:00 PM – 8:30 PM	Community, Room 213

Enroll online at aareced.com. Any questions, call Ivy Juan at 734-994-2300 x53248.

PTO THRIFT SHOP NEWS

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Promote the PTSO Thrift Shop in your publication and earn \$100-\$500

Don't send your poster or program to press without taking advantage of this offer!

Find out more at www.a2ptothriftshop.org under "Fundraising" then contact the Fundraiser Coordinator: volunteer@a2ptothriftshop.org

New Parent Representative needed!

What's a rep? S/He acts as liaison between Pioneer PTSO and the AA PTO Thrift Shop:

- 1) Communicates information and reminders from the Thrift Shop to the school PTO and school community, via newsletter or announcements;
- 2) Attends three Thrift Shop Board meetings per year when checks for volunteer hours are distributed;
- 3) Delivers the payout check and distribution list to the school PTO treasurer.

This position is rewarding because you facilitate the delivery of thousands of dollars of support to school organizations. It is NOT time consuming, and can be done in the evening. Please read more at www.a2ptothriftshop.org and contact me!

Parent rep: Martha Kershaw 663-5957 mdkershaw@sbcglobal.net

It's not too early to create your unique Halloween costume!

Please visit the AAPTO Thrift Shop at 2280 S. Industrial

PTSO STORE PIONEER WEAR ORDER FORM

Fill out this order form and mail it to the address below,
- or - take it to the General Office or email it to Jane Thompson

Name _____ **Phone** (_____) _____

Date of Order _____ **E-Mail** _____

Address _____

Item	Price	Color options	Size	Logo	Total \$
			S,M,L, XL,XXL	AA Pioneer or Pioneer	
T-shirt s/s	\$12	Gray, Purple			
T-shirt l/s	\$17	Gray, Purple			
Hooded Sweatshirt	\$36	Gray, Purple Black			
Sweatpants	\$20	Gray only	M/L only		
Girls Shorts	\$14				
Lanyard	\$3				
Shoe Laces	\$4	Purple, White Letters			
Travel coffee mug	\$18	Stainless steel			
SPECIALS					
Crew Neck Sweatshirt	\$36	Gray, Purple Black			
Hooded Windbreaker	\$40	Purple, Black			
Jacket	\$36	Purple, Black			
Fleece Jacket	\$30	Purple			

Want a name or class year on the back of your shirt or under Pioneer on the Windbreaker?

\$12.00 per item.....\$ _____

Print name or class year clearly please. _____

Grand Total \$ _____

Payment must be made with the order.

Please make checks payable to **PIONEER PTSO STORE**

You can mail orders to: Patricia Kalosa, 809 Edgewood Place, Ann Arbor 48103-4860

Email: pkalosa@comcast.net

You will be called or e-mailed when orders are ready for collection.

Special _____ In stock _____ Paid _____ Check No. _____ Collected _____

Welcome Pioneer's newest Transfer students and Foreign Exchange students!

It was with great excitement and enthusiasm that we met during this years registration process. How wonderful to see so many newcomers from all parts of the world. Some came from private and parochial schools in and around Michigan, some came from other states, such as California, Illinois and Virginia and still others travelled from Azerbaijan, Brazil, Dubai, Egypt, France, Germany, Ghana, Japan, Korea, Lithuania and Turkey.

With e-mail addresses, I reached out and invited the group to meet on September 2nd, just prior to the beginning of school to help make the first days a little easier. With the help of some wonderful OG's, we played icebreaker games and shared details about ourselves so we would no longer be strangers.

On September 12th, I made approximately 150 phone calls to inform and remind new families of the importance of Capsule Night which was September 13th.

September 14th and 15th, these new students were given invitations and asked to attend a Pizza Luncheon in their honor on the 16th of September. This was Homecoming and as a special surprise, all attendees were offered a FREE ticket to that nights football game against Skyline. Thank you to Lorin Cartwright for your generosity. There were close to 75 attendees. One group not mentioned to this point was the USA Hockey team...boy can they eat pizza! Colleen Creal was good enough to take photos of this event and we should have them posted in the school shortly. Surveys were handed out to see how they were adjusting to their new school and I'm happy to report that of the 14 I received, all stated that they were enjoying school and some went so far as to say it was great, awesome and amazing. Obviously the staff and administration are doing something right. Kudos!

If you are new to the District and I have missed welcoming you, I apologize and hope that you will contact me. I know what it is like to be new and I know what it is like to have a child that is new at such a large school.

I will be planning another get together shortly at the Neutral Zone. If you would like to attend, please be sure to send me an e-mail at zinserb@hotmail.com so that I can include you and send details of date and time.

It is my pleasure to volunteer for this program that I hold near and dear to my heart. All the best to the newest Pioneer students and their families. Please let me know if you need anything.

Sincerely,

Barbara Zinser, Parent Volunteer

Athletic Booster Club



The Pioneer Booster Club's mission is to support athletic and academic excellence in all student athletes. There are over 30 sports teams available to the students. These create smaller communities, afford a way for parents to get to know each other, and help students develop discipline and make long-lasting friends.

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Pioneer Band Association General Meetings

October 19th—7:30 P.M.
In The Pioneer Band Room

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Gerry Humes
