Garrisonville Elementary PTO TRUNK OR TREAT ALTERNATIVE PLANS

Gator families,

With the current state of COVID in our community, PTO must announce that we will have to revamp our current Trunk or Treat plans.

In place of our traditional Friday night, ticketed Trunk or Treat event, rather than have to cancel it altogether, we have decided to switch gears and have a FREE Fall Fun Friday event for Garrisonville Elementary School families ONLY. This event will take place on October 29th DURING the school day with the help of GES administration and staff. A daytime event will allow ALL GES students to participate as well as allow us to implement all COVID mitigation strategies to the greatest extent possible, as required by SCPS.

While we understand that this may disappoint some of you, we hope that families understand that our main priorities are ensuring that the kids are safe and able to enjoy a seasonal event in the most "normal" way possible. We are also hoping that, with enough notice, parents and younger siblings will be able to participate by decorating a themed trunk and/or joining their gator(s) at their class-assigned time to explore the trunks on Oct. 29th.

More specific details about the schedule breakdown will be made public as they are available.

In the meantime, we would like to begin registering trunks so we can better plan for the day. There will be no fee to register and prizes will be awarded for the top 3 trunks as voted on by the students. NO CANDY will be distributed at the trunks. Students will receive a favor from PTO to take home at the completion of the event.

Timeline will be solidified in the coming weeks, but please see the tentative schedule below to determine your availability to set up a trunk.

Friday, OCTOBER 29 (Rain Date NOV 5) DURING the school day

• 8:30AM-9:30AM or 9AM-10AM (TBD) - Trunk Setup in back parking lot

• 9:30AM-12 or 10:00AM-12:30 (TBD) – Classes will be scheduled to come through and view the trunks as well as participate in other activities. Parents will be invited to join their Gators during this time. Trunks do not need to be attended while you are participating with your student(s). No candy will be distributed at the trunks.

• 12PM-1:00 or 12:30PM-1:30PM (TBD) - Trunk Cleanup and Lot Clearing

If you would like to sign up to decorate a trunk, please fill out the google form on our website by Friday, October 15th. Spaces will be awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please remember to keep all trunks family-friendly. Unfortunately, Halloween-related themes will not be accepted during this daytime event.