OCTOBER 2021

# THE SCCPTA SCOOP

## In The Know...

### Seminole County Public Schools
### Upcoming Events

October 12 - School Board Meeting

October 16 - Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration

October 23 - SCPS School Choice Expo

October 26 - School Board Meeting

October 19 - Dec. 2 - Orlando Museum of Art Student Exhibit

## Celebrating our PTA / PTSA of the Month
## Winner for September 2021

Seminole County Council PTA

United as One

# LOCAL UNIT DUES

Reminder: The 2021-2022 Local Unit dues payment were due onThursday, September 30 on the SCCPTA MemberHub site here: https://seminolecounty.memberhub.com/store/items/60579

Please consider a donation to our Senior Scholarship Program! We award scholarships to SCPS seniors each year and the amount of donations we receive determines how much we have to disburse. Go to seminolecounty.memberhub.com/store/items/60834 to donate.

Thank you for your support!

**Would your local unit like to recommend a vendor for an upcoming SCCPTA meeting/event? Please feel free to email us their info at sponsors@sccpta.com**

# Looking to Celebrate?

**Here are a list of Holidays & Celebrations Perfect for Socia Media Engagement**

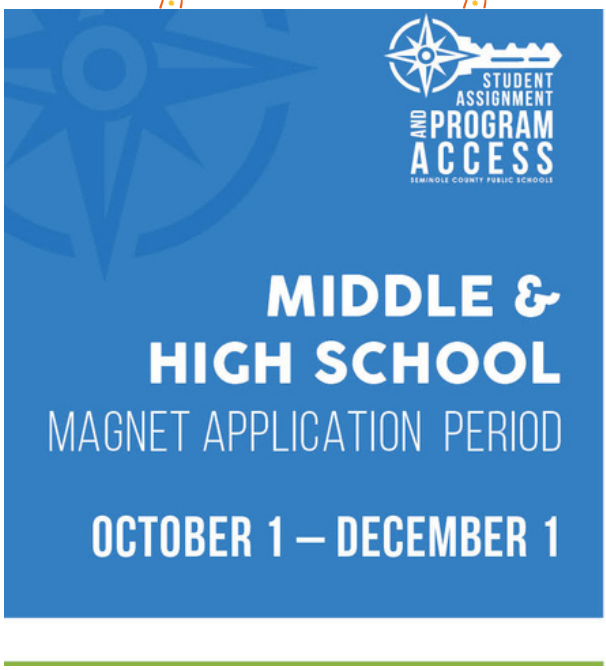
## October

13 – National Stop Bullying Day
15 – National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day
15 – Global Handwashing Day
17 – Black Poetry Day
17 – International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
19 – National LGBT Center Awareness Day
20 – National Youth Confidence Day
22 – National Color Day
23 – National Make a Difference Day
26 – National Day of the Deployed
27 – National Civics Day
28 – National First Responders Day
29 – International Internet Day
30 – National Speak Up for Service Day
31 – Halloween

## November

1 - All Saints' Day
2 - Dia de Muertos
4 - Diwali
5 - National Redhead Day
8 - National STEM/STEAM Day
11 - Veteran's Day

Hispanic Heritage Month (through 10/15)
Breast Cancer Awareness Month
Celebrating The Bilingual Child Month
Down Syndrome Awareness Month
Dyslexia Awareness Month
Eat Better, Eat Together Month
Emotional Wellness Month
Filipino American History Month
German-American Heritage Month
Global Diversity Awareness Month
Head Start Awareness Month
Health Literacy Month
Italian-American Heritage Month
International Walk To School Month
LGBT History Month
National ADD/ADHD Awareness Month
National Arts & Humanities Month
National Book Month
National Bullying Prevention Month
National Cyber Security Awareness Month
National Dental Hygiene Month
National Depression Education & Awareness Month
National Domestic Violence Awareness Month
National Dropout Prevention Month
National Fire Prevention Month
National Learning and Development Month
National Principals Month
National Protect Your Hearing Month
National Reading Group Month
National RSV Awareness Month
National Sensory Awareness Month
National Work and Family Month
Polish American Heritage Month
Positive Attitude Month
Rett Syndrome Awareness Month
Self-Promotion Month
Tackling Hunger Month
Vegetarian Month
World Blindness Awareness Month



[Click here to learn more! !]

Join us for Seminole Sessions!
Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.
meet.google.com/gya-jgdf-zcg

Follow SCCPTA Facebook Events for the complete schedule of events!

October 14 - Treasurer Check-in
Compliance, 990's, & more
October 21- Reflections Chairs Meet-up
Judging, deadlines, & more
October 25 - President Meet-up
(Will be on Monday)

Register for LegCon

Local units - consider helping by donating a gift basket, items for the auction, or making a monetary donation!

## SCSO Technology Solutions
## Cyber Safety Newsletter Fall 2021

News headlines are constantly reporting data breaches. What exactly are data breaches? This newsletter will explain what a data breach is, what you need to know, and what you should do.

**What is a data breach?**

A data breach is a cyber-attack in which sensitive, confidential, or protected data may have been compromised by unauthorized and unlawful access.

Common data breach exposures include personal information, such as credit card numbers, Social Security numbers, driver's license information, and healthcare histories, as well as corporate data, such as customer information like email addresses and phone numbers.

**Potential causes for a data breach:**

While the types of data breaches are quite varied, they can almost always be attributed to a vulnerability or loophole that cybercriminals use to gain access to the organization's systems or protocols. Potential causes for a data breach include:

- Weak network infrastructure security
- Weak logon credentials (easy to guess, use the same password for multiple websites)
- Malwares delivered via phishing email

**What you need to know:**

Many organizations have been breached. Equifax, Target, Yahoo, and Adobe are some of the larger organizations that have been breached and data stolen. HavelbeenPwned is a free site (link) that reports if your email addresses or phone numbers have been breached. Many credit card companies have free services to monitor your credit information and notify you of inquiries made.

**What you need to do:**

Use complex passwords, 8 to 10 alpha-numeric plus special characters. If you were notified of a breach with your personal information, change your passwords to your important accounts immediately. Advanced authentication, 2FA/MFA is highly recommended. Setup second factor to text or email an authorized phone number or email address with a code. Use a One Time Passcode app like the Microsoft Authenticator. In Outlook, report suspicious phishing emails by clicking on the "Phish Alert" button.

We hope you found this newsletter informative. Please email the Cyber Security team at CyberSecurity@seminolesheriff.org for additional information.

**EMAIL SAFETY GUIDELINES:**

**Do:**

Setup a monitor and alert service with credit card company

Change passwords immediately if you were notified of a breach involving your information

Use complex passwords – 8 to 10 digits alpha numeric and special character

Use 2FA/MFA

Change passwords every 90 days or less

Secure passwords within spreadsheet/document with a password

Report suspicious phishing emails by clicking on the "Phish Alert" button in Outlook

**Don't:**

Do not click on links or open attachments without verifying the sender

Do not leave passwords unprotected

Do not use the same password on multiple website

Do not use words from the dictionary or family, pet names

*Share with your membership!*

## Home Safety Events and Observances

- National Drug Take Back Day- 10/23
- CO Awareness Week - 10/31-11/6
- Daylight Savings Time/Smoke Alarm Check - 11/7
- National Injury Prevention Day - 11/18

# PTA BUSINESS

## Money Matter$

The IRS 990 form for the 2020-21 fiscal year needs to be filed by November 15, 2021.
All filings must be digital this year. If you have any questions, contact us at treasurer@sccpta.com

## Membership

State and national dues should be sent to Florida PTA monthly. Payments can be submitted through MemberHub or mailed in.

## Running Your PTA

Various forms to assist you with running your PTA can be found on the SCCPTA website - www.sccpta.com/forms--templates.html

## Reflections

The deadline for local units to submit their entries to SCCPTA is December 4, 2021.