Condit International Festival – Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. What is the Condit International Festival?
 - a. For more than five years, Condit has held an International Festival in the school gymnasium to celebrate the diversity of our students, teachers and staff. All students were able to represent their country's heritage through the Parade of Nations and other projects. In the past, we've had a sampling of food from different countries, traditional dances, in-school art contests and projects, a Brazilian drum circle, plus more.
- 2. Why is the program different this year?
 - a. Due to COVID we cannot hold our annual traditional Condit International Night and Parade of Nations inside the school building. Instead, we are planning an outdoors socially distant 'festival' throughout the neighborhood. We ask that everyone follows the CDC guidelines to socially distance and always wear their masks when interacting with others.
- 3. When is the International Festival?
 - a. **Friday, February 26th from 4 to 6 pm.**
- 4. How can I participate?
 - a. Choose to *Host a Country* or be a *Traveler*.
- 5. How do I *Host a Country*?
 - a. Country representatives will represent their heritage in the convenience of their front lawn. Get creative when representing your country! Wear your country's dress, decorate your lawn or table, show pictures, flags, items, etc. Try to make sure that your items are visible from the street.
- 6. How many people can pick a country?
 - a. One country can be represented by more than one family, e.g. six families could represent six different versions of Holland or five families could represent five different versions of Japan. There's no limit!
- 7. What if I don't want to host a country at my house?
 - a. Sign up to set up a 'booth' at Condit and show your country pride at school from 4-6.
- 8. What does a *Traveler* do?
 - a. *Travelers* will start from their own households and will drive by each country. Families are encouraged to visit the countries that they are interested in and to visit at least 5 different countries. There are no specific routes or starting points, just visit as many as you like from the safety of your car. We will distribute a printed and virtual map, so that you can plan your journey. Please remember that this is a drive by festival, so please stay in your cars for the safety of your family and the host countries.
- 9. Can I dress up?
 - a. Of course! Students can dress up on Friday, February 26th at in-person school or virtually. You can also dress up as a Traveler based on the country of your choosing. Or if you are hosting a country, we would recommend dressing up as a family.
- 10. How do I sign up?
 - a. Sign up to *Host a Country* on the Sign Up Genius on the PTO website that will be highlighted in Class Dojo and Condit Happenings.
 - b. No need to sign up as a *Traveler* just travel to as many countries as you'd like from 4 to 6 pm on **Friday**, **February 26**th.