
PTA September 1 Newsflash

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**President's Update**

Welcome and welcome back! For those of you new to our community, we are excited to have you here and look forward to meeting you. For those of you who are returning, we look forward to catching up!

We cannot start a new year without looking back on last year's great accomplishments. The 2016-2017 school year was a great year for students, staff and parents and the PTA cannot thank everyone enough for their generous contributions of time and money. The PTA can do what we do because of the generous support of parents and staff. **The gift of time is what makes our PTA successful and that starts with all of you. We thank you for your generosity.**

So, really, what is the Fair Haven PTA and what do we do?

The PTA supports great programs for our schools.

It's true. For the 2016 – 2017 school year, the PTA funded K-8 curriculum and cultural enrichment experiences including author visits, assemblies and workshops. We are proud to support our teaching team through these unique experiences that bring learning to our children in tangible ways.

We harness the power of parents to contribute both time and money to our community.

Wow! Do we ever! Last year our generous parents volunteered thousands of hours in our schools. Some baked cookies for the Teacher Cookie Exchange, some chaired volunteer committees, some were class parents and some filled ice buckets for Field Day. All of those volunteer hours made a huge impact for our children.

In addition to the volunteer hours, you were generous with your financial support as well. Last year alone, our community raised over \$100,000 to support the curriculum enriching activities of the PTA. It is through that continued generosity that we are able to bring great assemblies, new technologies and enriching school activities to our staff and children on a regular basis.

We provide enriching opportunities for students

The PTA underwrote various programs including It's OK to Be Different and Bricks for Kidz. Students participated in Art Appreciation, the District Art Show and Sickles Art Day. We support Field Days for grades K-8, the 8th Grade Dance, VIP Day at Sickles and a host of other memory making days for your children during the year!

We are very proud of the contributions made by our vibrant parent body and we hope you agree and share in our passion. We ask you to join us for a great school year by contributing in a way that is personal and meaningful to your family. We need you, our schools need you and, most of all, our kids need you!

On behalf of the entire 2017-2018 PTA Board, we look forward to a great year! Together we can do more!



Christine Hayden

2017-2018 PTA President

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Harvest Fest Scarecrows - LAST CALL!

Did you miss the scarecrow sale last year?! TIME IS RUNNING OUT!!! Here's your chance to get one this year! The deadline to purchase a scarecrow is SEPTEMBER 8. Scarecrows are \$75 and are ALMOST SOLD OUT. Scarecrows can be purchased by check payable to the Fair Haven PTA or by credit card at www.fairhavenpta.com.

1st Day School Supply Orders

All school supplies have been delivered to Sickles and Knollwood. If you ordered school supplies in June, the boxes will be delivered direct to your child's classroom in time for the first day of school.

PTA Membership Info

PTA membership for the 2017-18 school year is available for purchase now! Your support helps bring curriculum-based programs to our schools, and keeps you connected to friends-new and old-with the Paperless PTO Directory App. Join or renew the PTA at www.fairhavenpta.com.

Class Parents for 2017-2018

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to be a PTA Chairperson and/or Class Parent this year! Class Parents will be notified after all volunteers have been finalized. There will be a mandatory meeting for Class Parents on Thursday, September 14th at 7:00 PM in the Knollwood APR, followed by a mandatory PTA chairperson meeting at 7:30 PM.

Family Portrait Fundraiser

Once again the PTA will be offering our Family Portrait fundraiser. This annual event sells out quickly, so start thinking about your dates. This year we will be offering a choice of three photographers with three different locations. The Sign-Up Genius links will be sent out in an email blast on Tuesday, September 5 at 7:00 pm. Be on the lookout for your email. Remember, you must be a paid member of the PTA to be included on the email blast!

Shop & Give Back Partners

Chef Covas Catering



Upcoming Events

Class Parent Meeting - September 14

All class parents are expected to attend this meeting at 7:00 pm in the Knollwood APR. The meeting will review your roles and responsibilities as class parents. Because things may change from year to year, we ask that you attend regardless of whether or not you have served as a class parent in prior years.

Committee Chair Meeting - September 14

All committee chairs are expected to attend this meeting at 7:30 pm in the Knollwood APR. The meeting will review your roles and responsibilities as committee chairs. Because things may change from year to year, we ask that you attend regardless of whether or not you have served as a committee chair in prior years.

Chipotle Night - October 4

Don't cook on October 4 and support the Fair Haven PTA! Dine in or order out at Chipotle in Red Bank from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, October 4 and a portion of proceeds will be donated back to the PTA. Look for a backpack flyer during the first full week of school.

PTA General Membership Meeting - October 12

Join the PTA to kick off the 2017-2018 school year on Thursday, October 12 at 7:00 pm upstairs at Nauvoo. There will be a meet and greet with Mr. McNeil, Mrs. Cuddihy and Mrs. Romano as well information on ways to get involved with the PTA this year.

Harvest Fest - October 14

Save the date for this year's Harvest Fest at Knollwood. Join us for this fall family tradition of games, inflatables and the annual pumpkin decorating contest. Look for more information when school starts.

PTA Funded Programming

It's OK To Be Different

The PTA's It's OK To Be Different committee is currently looking for volunteers to help with next year's curriculum. To sign up for the 2017 - 2018 committee, please click on the Sign-Up Genius link:

Collections & Drives



Box Tops

We will once again be collecting Box Tops to raise money for the PTA. The class with the most Box Tops at the end of each semester will win a prize, so don't forget to send them to your classroom teacher.

If you prefer not to receive future email notices [click here](#).