

THE SKYHAWK SCOOP

The Sacajawea Elementary PTA Newsletter

PTA NEWS 2015-2016

Hello and welcome to the newest edition of the Sacajawea PTA newsletter. The 2015-2016 school year is about to begin and your PTA has already been busy planning another great year. There will be a festival, a carnival, fundraisers galore, spirit wear for the well-dressed Skyhawk, book fairs, a math and science fair, partnership nights and much, much more.

Putting together all of these exciting events takes a lot of planning, time and hard work. Your PTA can always use an extra hand or two. Attend a meeting, volunteer at an event, become a card carrying member of your PTA. Joining the PTA is easy and fun. Fill out the flier that will soon be coming home with your student and return it to school. Membership is just \$11, that's less than a \$1 per month, what a deal.

You do not have to be a PTA member to attend meetings and we'd love to see some new faces. Attending meetings is an easy way to find out about school events before anyone else and also a great way to learn about what is going on behind the scenes at your favorite elementary school.

Of course, attending meetings and volunteering your time is optional but anything you can do to help is always greatly appreciated.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 2—School Starts/Welcome Breakfast (in the Media Center)
Aug. 31st—Sept. 30th—Spirit Wear Sales
Sept. 11th-25th— Fall Fund-raisers
Sept. 16—Learning Fair 5:30-7:00 pm
Sept. 19—WSPTA Leadership Training
Sept. 20— Weed Pulling Party 10-11 am
Oct. 7—National Walk to School Day
Oct. 18—Weed Pulling Party 10-11am
November 6—Harvest Festival

Harvest Festival

The annual Fall Harvest Festival is a favorite event at Sacajawea. This year, the event will be on November 6th, and plans are in the works for some new activities.

Speaking of planning... Do you like throwing parties? Entertaining hoards of excited children? Shopping? Decorating with tissue paper and tape? Do you like managing a group of talented volunteers? If you said yes to any or all of these questions than Harvest Festival Coordinator might be the perfect job for you.

Contact your favorite PTA member or sacpta@yahoo.com as soon as possible, November 6th is just around the corner.

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PTA EXECUTIVES

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PTA MEETINGS

- September 9
- October 14
- November 18
- December 9

All meetings are held in the Media Center from
6-7 pm.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

WANTED:

Volunteer Coordinator

Job description:

Send email and coordinate the schedules of a group of eager volunteers for upcoming PTA events

Time commitment:

a few hours per event

Salary:

Many happy volunteers happily volunteering because of your hard work

Interested? Contact your nearest PTA member for more details.

GOT SPIRIT?

Spirit Wear sales start August 31st and end September 30th. If you want to show your school spirit check your child's Friday Folder for more details. Go Skyhawks!

The Legislative Corner

Congratulations to the Vancouver School Board for passing a budget for the 2015-2016 school year and therefore starting school this year on time and with funding. Yea VPS School Board you rock.

Attention 5th Grade Parents

It is only September but 5th grade graduation will be here before you know it. It's never too early to start planning the end of year celebration.

5th Grade Committee is responsible for planning and putting together the 5th Grade Year-End Celebration, the Legacy Gift, the Class T-Shirt, the Yearbook, Dilly Bar sales, the Snack Shack, and popcorn and licorice sales. That's a lot of volunteer opportunities just waiting to be filled.

The 5th grade can't graduate in style without some fabulous volunteers. Contact sacpta@yahoo.com for more details.

A Very Special Thanks

The Sacajawea PTA would like to extend a special thank you to outgoing PTA Treasurer Zuka Haarberg for her outstanding effort for the past two years. We couldn't have counted all that money or balanced the checking account without you. Thank you Zuka!

Goodbye and Hello

Thank you to Mrs. Judkins for your years of service as PTA Faculty Representative. We'll miss your enthusiasm for door prizes at PTA meetings. Welcome to Mrs. Church our new PTA Faculty Representative, we can't wait to get to know you.

FUNDRAISERS ARE FUN

It's almost Fall and that means fundraiser time. This year, like last year, the PTA is selling Payback books. Payback books are coupon books full of useful coupons for local businesses. More information will be coming home with your student soon. Don't miss out on a chance to save tons of money, buy a Payback Book or two or three.

When is a fundraiser not a fundraiser at all? When it's a Phantom Fundraiser. No scary costumes are required for this fundraiser and it's easy. Just write a check, send it to school with your student and that's all. Fundraising complete. 100% of the proceeds from this fundraiser go to the school and it's tax deductible too.

Fundraising starts September 11th and ends September 25th. Let's go raise some funds!

No animals were harmed in the making of this newsletter. Written and edited on location in Vancouver, Washington by Brianna Welburn. Special thanks to Microsoft Publisher 2010, and your Sacajawea PTA for letting me write this newsletter.

Today the PTA newsletter, tomorrow... another newsletter... Do you have something to contribute? Please contact the editor, by the 25th of the month. Come back next month for another exciting edition of the Skyhawk Scoop!

Contact Information

Have a PTA related question? Need something to read? Want to add something to the newsletter? These four places are here to help: **PTA Email:** sacpta@yahoo.com **PTA Website:** sacpta.yolasite.com, **Facebook:** www.facebook.com/sacajawea.elementary.pta and **Newsletter:** bwelburn@hotmail.com. We are eagerly awaiting your questions and comments.