

Crestview Elementary School

PTA Newsletter



Dear Crestview Families,

With the first few weeks of school behind us, I hope everyone is settling into their new routines and getting excited about the year ahead. Many thanks to everyone who attended Back to School Night and to the teachers and PTA volunteers who pulled it all together. As you could see, every helping hand made a big difference. Knowing what to expect from your child's teacher and understanding how you can get involved in your child's educational experience are important to a successful school year. I would love to hear your feedback about Back to School Night – please email me at president@crestviewpta.org.

This time of year is a very active time for the local, state and national PTA and I encourage you to become a member because your voice and support counts. It's not too late to sign up and help us reach our 2011-2012 goal. For more information, please contact our Membership Chair Maureen McBride at membership@crestviewpta.org.

Thank you for the active role you play in our PTA.

Valerie Abbott

President, Crestview PTA

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CRESTVIEW ELEMENTARY MISSION STATEMENT

Crestview Elementary School is committed to student achievement guided by innovative teaching through infusion of interactive 21st Century Skills that make connections to diverse life experiences. We collaborate with home and the community to provide and maintain a safe and nurturing learning environment.

2011-2012 YEAR BOOK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Seeking 1 or 2 volunteers to coordinate this year's Crestview Yearbook.

If you are interested please contact PTA President Valerie Abbott at president@crestviewpta.org by October 15. The yearbook must have volunteers to happen, so don't delay! Sign up today!

Congratulations to

Elizabeth Brown!!

**She won The Drawing for
4 tickets to Busch Gardens
for joining the PTA on
Back To School Night!!**

**The next Drawing will be
for the class with the most
participation!!**

**See the membership
form on page 4**

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From The Principal's Desk

Well, it sure has been an exciting school opening this year! During these opening weeks, we have placed an emphasis on safety, and our students and teachers have or will practice fire, weather, bus, and intruder drills. I would ask parents to please review transportation safety with your child, especially bus safety. Walkers are reminded to only cross at the crosswalk by our Crossing Guard. Our main parking lot is not a drop off area, and is only used for those who are parking to come into the building. As we develop independence in our students, we appreciate parents saying their good-byes in the main lobby in the morning and allowing students to walk to class on their own. In the afternoon, we ask that parents of walkers and car riders please wait outside of the main lobby, as our lobby gets quite congested. Thank you for your assistance in keeping every child safe.

Our special Oct. 5 event, "International Walk to School Day," is quickly approaching. For details or additional information, please refer to my letter in last month's PTA Newsletter, the student permission form, or call the school. This event will be the "kick-off" for our Virtual World Race and healthy lifestyles/fitness initiative. When sending food items to school, we are encouraging parents to provide healthy snacks and birthday treats for classrooms as part of our initiative. We appreciate your assistance in this matter as we build happy, healthy, fit children in mind and body.

As we settle into our routines for the year, I encourage all parents to get involved and volunteer to help in some way. Our PTA is still in need of volunteers to help with several committees. Please support our wonderful SCA by purchasing an item in their annual fundraiser.

I invite you to contact your child's teacher with any concerns you may have and as always, thank you for sharing your children with us and helping to make every day a great day for learning something new at Crestview.

Warmest Regards,
Mrs. Karen H. Rawlyk
Principal

FAMILY FUN NIGHT!!!

The Crestview PTA would like to thank BJ's Wholesale Club and Famous Dave's for hosting last month's Family Fun Night!!

**We raised \$86 at
BJ's Wholesale Club!!**

Thanks to all who participated in our Family Fun Nights!!

**Chick-Fil-A
At Willow Lawn
October 20
5:30 - 8:00 pm**



Counselor's Corner

My name is Mary Anne Dellinger and I am Tera Koch's school counselor substitute. Mrs. Koch had a beautiful baby boy on Monday September 12. Calvin Augustus Koch weighed 7lbs 5oz. and is doing very well at home with his mom and dad.

As the former Crestview school counselor, I am enjoying being back here at this great school! Please let me know if I can help you or your child in the coming 3 months. I look forward to meeting you.

Mary Anne Dellinger



I will be answering Mrs. Koch's email.

Crestview Is Green!!!

This year Crestview has partnered with SP Recycling to recycle paper here at school!!! Each classroom has a recycling bin to collect paper products at school such as lined paper, envelopes, and magazines. This program will run through June!

Please do not send recycling to school, we plan to only recycle school materials. Join us in educating our students about recycling and encouraging them to be "green" in every aspect of their lives. Thank you for your support.

Tera Koch/Mary Anne Dellinger

Crestview Counselor

HOSPITALITY!!

The Hospitality Committee will be having their first "event" of the year on Monday, October 3rd for all of the teachers and staff at Crestview. They will be providing a breakfast of seasonal muffins, breads and fruit. Kindergarten and first grade parents will be asked to donate items such as pumpkin, zucchini, apple cinnamon, banana bread/muffins and assorted fruit. Please put this on your calendars! If you are able to donate, please email Bridget Cunningham at hospitality@crestviewpta.org.



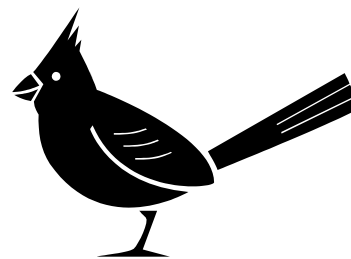
**PEOPLE
ENCOURAGING
ACCEPTANCE
COMPASSION
EQUALITY**

Your
Secretary
Says:



Check the website!!
Last month's General Membership Meeting Minutes are posted. We will be voting to approve them at the next General Membership Meeting.

**Crestview Elementary School
PTA Officers and Committee Chairs
2011-2012**



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Individual Member Form

Thank you for your interest in joining the PTA! Please fill out the form below and return it to school with your \$5.00 dues payment. When PTA gets involved, children benefit. When you get involved with PTA, the child who benefits most is your own.

First Name

Last Name

Contact Phone #

E-mail address

Street Address

Apt.#

City

State

Zip

Teacher

Child's Name

International Walk to School Day!!!

Crestview Elementary is excited to participate in International Walk to School Day, a way to encourage and prompt health and fitness!

Students will be walking from Christ United Methodist Church, at the Corner of Charles Street and Horsepen Road on October 5th to Crestview Elementary. Permission forms were

sent home 9/21 along with directions and information. Parents are welcome to participate, as long as permission forms were signed. We also welcome volunteers to help throughout the day as classes will participate in different health, nutrition and fitness activities. If you are interested in volunteering,

Please contact Jenn Atkinson at 467-8243 or walktoschool@crestviewpta.org.



Virtual World Race!!!

The Virtual World Race is a motivational program designed to encourage health and fitness, enhance student achievement and combat childhood obesity.

Goal

Students from local schools will participate in a contest to virtually Race around the World - 25,000 miles.

Activity

Students will log their daily activity and chart their progress with a goal of riding the circumference of the world. Miles will be added as a student completes cycling, running, walking and swimming activities - more time equals more miles.

Progress

Each school will track their progress and highlight milestone destinations around the globe on physical and web-based maps. Progress will be compared to other schools and elite cyclists.

Awards

Students will be eligible for awards and prizes at designated milestones around the world and at the end of the contest.

For more information, visit www.virtualworldrace.com





Save 10% on your next purchase at OfficeMax—including supplies, furniture, ink & toner and Print Center services.

As a PTA member, you now receive exclusive savings at OfficeMax all year long. That means you can stock up on school supplies for the kids, organization essentials and furniture for your home or office, and ink and toner for all your printing needs.

Saving is simple: [click here](#), print the coupon and bring it to any OfficeMax location nationwide. Or, log on to the [PTA Member Benefits Page](#) and get your online coupon code for purchase on www.officemax.com.

And, be sure to pass along this great offer to all the PTA members you know. Savings will be available throughout the year and always accessible on the [PTA Member Benefits Page](#).

Save The Date

October 4 General Membership Meeting
International Walk/Virtual World Race Kick-Off
October 5 International Walk to School Day
Virtual World Race
October 10 Student Holiday
November 1 General Membership Meeting
Program: “Second Grade Performance”
November 18 Family Game Night
November 23 Half Day for Students
November 24 & 25 Thanksgiving Holiday
December 6 General Membership Meeting
Program: “Fifth Grade Performance”
December 9 Winter Wonderland
December 19 Winter Break Begins

The Deadline for Items to be included in the November Newsletter is Monday, October 17.

Contact Lisa Kubyako: newsletter@crewstviewpta.org

What is the Silent Auction?

The library is host to the Silent Auction, which is one of our biggest fund raisers of the year. During the next couple of months we will be soliciting donations from local businesses to be auctioned off. Some of last year’s items included a marble countertop, a child’s birthday party at Core Kids Academy, and gift certificates to many local restaurants and businesses. In addition, the teachers at Crestview donate their time, for example, a pizza picnic for your child and a friend, getting to be principal for a day, or lunch at McDonald’s!! And last but not least, every grade puts together great gift baskets to auction off as well!! Sound like fun?? It is, but we can’t do this without your help. Visit the website at www.crestviewpta.org to download a solicitation form, or use the form attached to this newsletter, and the next time you go out to eat, bring a copy and drop it off with the manager. Going to get your haircut, give them a copy. Any donation helps!! If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Kubyako or Valerie Hendricks at silentauction@crestviewpta.org