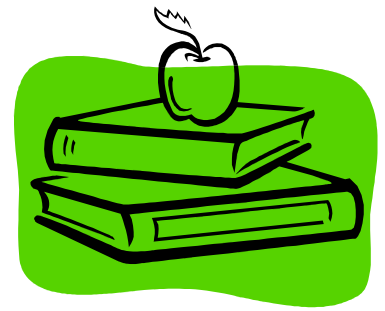


PTA NEWSLETTER

CRESTVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 2009



President's Notes...

Welcome students, parents and staff! Your PTA is excited about the upcoming year, and we hope you are, too! We kicked off the new school year with watermelon and popsicles on the school's front lawn. The turnout was great, and the enthusiasm was even greater! I hope you didn't miss it! This month's newsletter is full of info you really do need to know.

- ◆ **Back to School Night** is Wednesday, September 23. After a brief PTA business meeting at 7 p.m., parents will go to their child's classroom where the teacher will review important information about expectations, procedures, and much more. Please make every effort to attend.
- ◆ Our first **Family Fun Night** of the year will take place on Monday, September 28 at Chuck E. Cheese's. The restaurant will give a portion of its proceeds earned that day to Crestview PTA. Please try to join us. The kids will love it, and you will have an opportunity to get to know other Crestview families in an informal setting.
- ◆ Other important news included in this issue gives details of upcoming **After-School Enrichment** opportunities; the National PTA's arts program, **Reflections**, membership and *The Cardinal Club*; Henrico County Public Schools debut on **Twitter** and much, much more!

The slogan for PTAs across our nation is "Every Child. One Voice." Please be a part of that voice. Get involved in the Crestview PTA today!

Ali Brown, PTA President

president@crestviewpta.org



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

IS

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

7:00 PM

Please come!



**IT'S HERE!
MORE INFO
COMING SOON**

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Family Fun Day & Night



Monday, September 28

9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

At Chuck E Cheese's

9030 W. Broad Street

SCHOOL IS OUT ON THE 28TH!



ATTENTION PARENTS



For the continued safety of our students, we have been advised to implement a new morning arrival procedure. Beginning September 14, parents driving students to school and arriving AFTER 7:50 A.M. MUST park in the main parking lot and walk their child into the building and sign them in at the clinic. We appreciate your cooperation and working together to keep our children safe.

From the Principal's Office

We're ready to start an amazing school year! Cardinals, are you ready?



Welcome back as we begin another great year of exploring, discovering and creating in "Big Red Country." Our school theme this year is "P.E.A.C.E." and we plan to weave this theme throughout everything we do. "PEACE" stands for "People Encouraging Acceptance, Compassion, Equality", and is our new anti-bullying message. Crestview students and parents will be involved in many school events, working together to ensure kindness and respect towards one another at all times. Information on this program will be sent home and shared in classrooms. We encourage all families to participate and read/discuss the materials at home. Our parent "kick-off event" will be a night to remember, so mark your calendar for Tuesday, October 20, 7:00 PM. Students will even have the opportunity to purchase a P.E.A.C.E. T-shirt like the teachers!

At Crestview, we are "coming together, sharing together, working together, and succeeding together." I appreciate each and every one of you, and look forward to hearing about your summer adventures. I hope many of you read a lot of books and wrote in a journal.

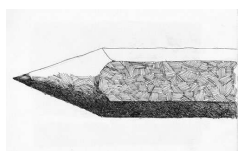
Remember, at Crestview Elementary, every day is a great day for learning something new! Parents, thank you for sharing your special children with us. Don't hesitate to call or stop by to discuss any questions, comments, concerns, or pats on the back for our amazing, dedicated staff.

FALL AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT CLASSES



Kaboom Kickball

Grades 3-5
Wednesdays
10/7, 10/14, 10/21, 10/28,
11/4, 11/11
2:15-3:15 \$60



Young Rembrandts

\$54
(includes all supplies)

Drawing Classes

Grades K-2
Thursdays
10/8 - 11/12
2:15-3:15 p.m.



Yoga

Grades 1-5
Wednesdays
11/4 - 12/16
(No class 11/25) \$36

Questions about After-School Enrichment? Contact Treva Thomas enrichment@crestviewpta.org

HENRICO COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS COMMUNICATES THROUGH TWITTER

Henrico County Public Schools announces its presence on Twitter.com. Through the use of the social networking tool, HCPS intends to keep patrons informed and highlight the accomplishments of the school system.

Followers can expect regular updates regarding news releases, event information and reminders. Follow Henrico County Public Schools on Twitter at the user name HenricoSchools. Visit <http://twitter.com/henricoschools> to follow HCPS or create a Twitter account.

A link to the Twitter page can also be found on the HCPS homepage, <http://henrico.k12.va.us/>. For additional information, contact Mychael Dickerson, director of media relations and safety liaison at: 652-3724 or dmdickerson@henrico.k12.va.us.

*From the HCPS's News Release
September 11, 2009*

REFLECTIONS

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Students who participate in the arts do better in school. The nationwide PTA Reflections Program gives students an opportunity to receive recognition for their artistic endeavors. Encourage your child to create an original work of art based on the 2009-2010 Reflections Program theme, "Beauty is..." The six program categories are: Literature, Musical Composition, Dance, Visual Arts, Photography, Film Production. Awards are given at the local, council, district, state, and national levels.

The deadline for submitting Reflections entries is October 23, 2009. For more information, contact Donna Bowen or Ellie Mayo Speer (reflections@crestviewpta.org or 282-4919) or visit the Reflections page on our website: <http://www.crestviewpta.org/id23.html>.

FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS ARE AVAILABLE
IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH AT

<http://www.crestviewpta.org/id23.html> AND <http://www.pta.org/2033.htm>

OR BY

DETATCHING AND RETURNING LOWER PORTION
TO SCHOOL TOMORROW

Reflections Program

2009-2010 Theme: *Beauty is...*

My child is interested in receiving guidelines for the Reflections project in the following area (s):



- Art
- Photography
- Writing
- Musical Composition
- Choreography
- Film/Video Production



Students may participate in more than one category.

Please complete this form today!

Name _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____

Return to teacher or PTA box in office.

Questions ? Contact Donna Bowen or Ellie Mayo Speer (reflections@crestviewpta.org or 282-4919)

2009-2010 PROPOSED BUDGET

The Crestview PTA finance committee has developed a budget for the 2009-10 school year which it plans to present to the PTA Board at its September 23 meeting at 6 p.m. If approved by the board, the proposed budget will be presented at the General Meeting taking place at 7 p.m. Through your support, the PTA supplements the library with additional books and accelerated reader tests, funds the weekly reader for all grade levels, Reading is Fundamental (RIF) and many other programs as well as supports and appreciates the wonderful work of our teachers! This year, we won't be asking you to buy/sell wrapping paper and other items where only 40% of your money actually makes it back to the school. The Cardinal Club Fund drive debuted last year and replaced the annual fall fundraisers of the past. Now 100% of your donation will stay right here at Crestview to support our students and faculty! In addition, the full amount of your donation may be tax deductible! Find out more about the Cardinal Club in this newsletter and at the upcoming Back to School Night program.

Receipts

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Membership | \$ 800.00 |
| Winter Dance | |
| Silent Auction | 2,000.00 |
| Ticket Sales/Bake Sale | 1,600.00 |
| Cardinal Club Fund Drive | 4,245.00 |
| Bake Sale | 150.00 |
| Other Fundraising | |
| Family Fun Nights | 1,500.00 |
| Penny Drive (Int'l Dinner) | 400.00 |
| International Dinner (drink sales) | 200.00 |
| Ukrops Golden Gifts/Kroger | 250.00 |
| Boxtops for Education | 450.00 |
| T-shirts sales | 200.00 |
| Popcorn Sales (various events) | 100.00 |
| Misc. Fundraisers | <u>250.00</u> |
| Total Income | <u>\$12,145.00</u> |

Expenditures

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Annual County Council Banquet | 90.00 |
| State and Local PTA Dues | 400.00 |
| Moody Scholarship Donation | 25.00 |
| Hospitality/Teacher Apprec. | 1,100.00 |
| Reflections | 50.00 |
| Weekly Reader/Scholastic News | 1,500.00 |
| Library | 1,900.00 |
| Accelerated Reader | 900.00 |
| Teacher Supplies | 700.00 |
| Postage and Supplies | 50.00 |
| Programs | |
| International Dinner | 125.00 |
| Dare | 250.00 |
| Music/Harmonicas | 250.00 |
| P.E. | 200.00 |
| Other PTA Programs | 500.00 |
| Yearbooks | 200.00 |
| RIF | 500.00 |
| Room Parents | 300.00 |
| Safety Patrol Picnic | 50.00 |
| Bank Charges | - |
| Winter Dance | 1,000.00 |
| Fifth Grade Party | 500.00 |
| Liability Insurance | 230.00 |
| PTA Conference | 100.00 |
| Membership | 25.00 |
| 2-Two-way Radios for Teachers | 500.00 |
| Fitness program | 200.00 |
| Other: prizes, fund drive | 500.00 |
| Total Expenses | <u>12,145.00</u> |

Income (Loss)



If you have any budget-related questions, please contact Megan Williams, Treasurer (treasurer@crestviewpta.org).



MEMBERSHIP SIGN UP

Cardinal Club Selection: Please make checks payable to Crestview Elementary PTA.

| | | |
|------------------------------|------|-------|
| Community Membership | \$25 | _____ |
| Family Membership | \$50 | _____ |
| Big Red Clubhouse Membership | \$75 | _____ |
| Individual PTA Membership | \$ 5 | _____ |
| Additional Donation Funds | | _____ |

Member Information: Must be completed in full for all registered members.

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|----------------|----------------|
| Name: _____ | Name: _____ |
| Address: _____ | Address: _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| Email: _____ | Email: _____ |
| Phone: _____ | Phone: _____ |

Student Information: Please list all enrolled Crestview Elementary Students.

| | |
|----------------|----------------|
| Student: _____ | Teacher: _____ |
| Student: _____ | Teacher: _____ |
| Student: _____ | Teacher: _____ |
| Student: _____ | Teacher: _____ |

Total Due \$ _____

Please contact me about volunteer opportunities with the PTA! I'm interested in:

- Hospitality Winter Wonderland Dance Fundraising Silent Auction International Dinner
Coin Drive Reflections RIF Fun & Fitness any way I can!

Questions about the Cardinal Club?

Contact Annie Andrews, V-P Membership: membership@crestviewpta.org

**Crestview Elementary School
PTA Officers Members
2009-2010**



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|-------------------------|---------------------|--|
| President | Ali Brown | president@crestviewpta.org |
| 1st VP - Programs | Kim Hynes | programs@crestviewpta.org |
| 2nd VP - Membership | Annie Andrews | membership@crestviewpta.org |
| Recording Secretary | Courtny Kuester | secretary@crestviewpta.org |
| Treasurer | Megan Williams | treasurer@crestviewpta.org |
| Corresponding Secretary | Anne Carroll Ezelle | correspond@crestviewpta.org |

**Johns Hopkins University
Center for Talented Youth**

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Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth (CTY) searches, identifies, assesses, and recognizes students with exceptional mathematical and/or verbal reasoning abilities throughout the United States. Students in grades two through eight can participate in the Talent Search by scoring at the 95th percentile or higher on nationally normed, standardized tests, or at the top levels on state tests. For detailed information about applying for the Talent Search and testing dates, visit the Johns Hopkins University website at www.cty.jhu.edu. For applications and brochures, please call 1-800-548-1180, or email a request to ctyinfo@jhu.edu.

**PEOPLE
ENCOURAGING
ACCEPTANCE
COMPASSION
EQUALITY**

SAVE THE DATE

- September 3 (4 - 6:00pm) Open House
- September 8 SCHOOL OPENS
- September 23 (6:00 pm) PTA Board Meeting
- (7:00 pm) General Membership Meeting & Back-to-School Night
- September 28 STUDENT HOLIDAY
- Family Fun at Chuck E. Cheese
- October 7 Kaboom Kickball (1st class)
- October 8 Young Rembrandts (1st class)
- October 12 STUDENT HOLIDAY
- October 13 Student Picture Day
- October 14 Family Fun @ 5 Guys Burgers & Fries Meeting & 5th Grade Concert
- Parents Kick-Off Project P.E.A.C.E
- November 3 STUDENT HOLIDAY
- Morning Parent Conferences
- November 4 Yoga (1st class)
- November 11 Kaboom Kickball (last class)
- November 12 Young Rembrandts (last class)
- Evening Parent Conferences
- Family Fun @ Cheeburger Cheeburger
- November 17 (6:00 pm) PTA Board Meeting
- November 24 Terrific Kids Award Assembly
- November 25 HALF-DAY HOLIDAY
- November 26 & 27 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Contact Ellie Speer: newsletter@crestviewpta.org or 282-4919