



September 2009

June 11th, 2009

Welcome Back Staff and Parents!

I would like to welcome you all to the new school year. This past June the Trent Elementary PTA was disbanded. The decision to become a PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) was made and so here we are. I am going to explain some of the differences that you will see this new school year with the re-organization of our parent-teacher group.

One of the main driving issues for this change was the closure of Trent Elementary. The parent-teacher group was going to have to change somehow. Either create a new PTA for the new school, or look into becoming a PTO. As a PTA, dues are collected from the membership fees that are paid by the members and part of that money is sent to the national PTA and the state PTA to be a part of their organization. With those monies, the PTA lobbies at the national and state level, for issues that they feel are important. Last school year, we sent off \$801.00. Looking at that dollar amount, and realizing the hard times the economy

is going through, the board this year voted to become a PTO. We have complete control over the monies that we raise as a PTO. We do not have to send our money that we have raised off to someone outside of our community.

With creating this new organization, the executive board members wrote up the Bylaws that spell out how the organization will be run. Another thing that we decided was to have a larger board of executives. The PTO board will now consist of the following positions: President, Two Co-Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, Fundraising Coordinator, Communications Coordinator, Volunteer Coordinator, and a Staff Representative. With a great number of parents returning to the work force yearly, it is important to have a larger number of executive board members to share the work load.

Sincerely, Martha Hardy

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Meeting Agenda:

- Call To Order
- Treasurer's Report
- Staff Input
- New Business
 - o Lice Checks
 - o Health Screening
 - o Jog-A-Thon
 - o Open House
- Volunteers
- Open Discussion
- Prize Drawings
- Superintendent Input
- Adjournment

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H1N1 Prevention Tips

and other info....

Join Us for our First Meeting Sept. 15th

Our first Member Meeting is Tuesday, September 15th at 2:30 pm in the library. The Agenda for this meeting is on the side of this newsletter. Mr. Scurto will be joining us around 3:15 that day.

We will be having refreshments, and also a drawing for one lucky staff member, and parent. We hope that you will join us as we

have a great year planned for the students and staff of Pleasant Hill Elementary.

If you can't make this meeting, you can check out the minutes that will be posted on our website:

www.pleasanthillelementary.org



**Pleasant Hill
Elementary
Organization
Has A New
Website!!!**

**www.pleasanthillele
mentary.org**

**Please check it out for
the latest updates and
volunteer
opportunities!**

2009-2010 Executive Board Members

President- Martha Hardy

Co-Vice Presidents- Julie Larson & Sarah Crabtree

Treasurer- Dana Parrish

Secretary- Nicole Sharr

Communications Coordinator- Darlene Baker

Fundraising Coordinator- Lisa Jones

Volunteer Coordinator- Kelly Michlanski

Staff Representative- Mary Beth McCoy

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Back to School H1N1 Flu Information

How can I protect my child against flu?

Get a seasonal flu vaccine for yourself and your child to protect against seasonal flu viruses.

Take everyday steps to prevent the spread of all flu viruses. This includes:

Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.

Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. If soap and water are not available, alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective. *

Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Germs spread this way.

Teach your child to take these actions too.

Try to keep your child from having close contact (about 6 feet) with sick people, including anyone in the household who is sick.

Keep surfaces like bedside tables, surfaces in the bathroom, kitchen counters and toys for children clean by wiping them down with a household disinfectant according to directions on the product label.

Throw away tissues and other disposable items

used by sick persons in your household in the trash.

(This information is from the Center for Disease Control Website)

