



HAMMOND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA

THE TUFFY TRIBUNE

SEPTEMBER 2016

MEMBERSHIP



Calling all Super Heroes! The membership drive, which runs from August 24-September 14th, is in full swing and we need your help to make this year awesome. Look for Membership forms in your student's folder the first week of school, fill them out and send them in so that your child's class can win an extra recess. Mrs. Guide's 4th grade class already has 12 members. Members will also be entered in a drawing for a gift card to Amazon at our first PTA meeting on September 14th. After a fantastic week of Back to School nights, the Open House and delicious Ice Cream Social, we have 346 members, which is getting closer to our goal of 440 members. Please help us reach our goal by joining the PTA today!

SPIRIT WEAR SALE

Show your school spirit! Hammond spirit wear is now available. All ordering is done online and items are shipped directly to you. Go to www.hammondspiritwear.com and check out what there is to offer. Get FREE SHIPPING between August 24 and September 12, 2016. The discount will be automatically applied during these dates; no code is necessary. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Fahrendorf at sfahrendorf1@comcast.net.

NEW FAMILIES NIGHT



New to HES? Welcome to the Hammond Elementary Community. A New Families Night has been scheduled for **September 20, 2016 at 6:30 PM.** It is a meet-and-greet event. All new families and the ambassador families

are invited. A Spanish interpreter will be there too! Please check out this [flyer](#) for more details and [CLICK HERE](#) to RSVP. We look forward to seeing you there!

FALL FESTIVAL!



HES PTA Fall Festival is on Friday, September 30th from 4:00 to 7:00pm. It's a few short weeks away. It is always such a great community event and our amazing HES volunteers are a big reason it's so successful. Sign Up to volunteer is listed in the Volunteer Opportunities section. If you have any questions, please contact Michele Johnson at chelejohnson2@yahoo.com.

SHOPPING SUPPORTS YOUR PTA

Please tell the cashier during checkout to add Hammond Elementary to your shopping cards. Remember to relink your shopping cards at the following stores:

- [Harris Teeter](#) Code #8583
- [Giant Code](#) Code #00388



Search New and Used
amazon.com.

Are you an amazon.com shopper? Shop through our link and your school's PTA will earn money! Yes, it's that easy! Make all your usual purchases using this [link](#) or select HES under your account settings at Amazon.com.

<http://www.amazon.com/?&tag=hpoegc-20&linkCode=ws&>.

You will know that you are correctly set up when you see Hammond Elementary PTA list as "Your Charity" on the AmazonSmile website.

TUFFY'S PRIDE AWARD



Do you know of a teacher or staff member who went above and beyond to make the children feel welcome and included during the back-to-school transition? If so consider nominating that person for the September Tuffy's Pride Award. Nominations can be made [here](#) and only take few minutes of your time. The teacher or staff person selected will receive a certificate of appreciation and a small gift card.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Help our school raise money for student activities by collecting Box Tops for Education! For each Box Top collected, our school will receive 10 cents from General Mills. Our goal this year is to raise \$1,000 for our school! Begin collecting Box Tops now in preparation for our Box Top's Collection Drive happening Sept. 19 - Oct. 14. Watch for more information the week of Sept. 12 about the collection drive with a prize for the top collecting class! For more on where Box Tops can be found visit:



<http://www.boxtops4education.com/>.

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES



Volunteering is one of the best ways to be a part of the HES Community! This year we are connecting families to volunteer opportunities that fit their lifestyle. Please bookmark the HES PTA Volunteer Website at www.hespta.org/volunteering.php for information on current opportunities and how you can get involved.

In addition to filling out the volunteer interest form ([click here](#)), please be sure to do the following training and forms:

A. HCPSS Volunteer Training
<http://www.hcpss.org/parents/volunteer-information>

B. HES Volunteer Training
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=akLdbQS589c>

C. Enter Name here to confirm you watched HES Volunteer Training - <http://bit.ly/2bIZ554>

RESTAURANT NIGHT (AND DAY)

Why should a restaurant fundraiser be just for a few hours at night? Well, Chick Fil A certainly agrees! We kick off our monthly restaurant night fundraiser at the local Chick Fil A on Johns Hopkins Road on September 26, 2016. The difference this year is instead of it only being at night, you can use our flier to order breakfast, lunch, AND dinner throughout the day and a percentage of the proceeds will be donated back to our PTA. Be sure to keep an eye out for the flier coming home in folders in the near future. It can also be downloaded from our HES PTA facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/Hammond-Elem-PTA-576579195721593>.



FALL FESTIVAL HELP - [CLICK HERE](#)

Date: 9/30/2016

Time: 4pm-7pm

It's almost here.... Fall! What does that mean? FALL FESTIVAL!! In order to ensure its success, we are asking all families to please consider volunteering for at least 1 hour.

Here's the schedule:

2:45pm - 4:05pm - Set up

4:00pm - 5:05pm - Games/Food Booths (Hour 1)

5:00pm - 6:05pm - Games/Food Booths (Hour 2)

6:00pm - 7:05pm - Games/Food Booths (Hour 3)

7:00pm - 8:00pm - Clean up

NEW FAMILIES AMBASSADOR - [CLICK HERE](#)



In order to assist families who are new to HES community with their transition, we need your help to volunteer as a HES Ambassador. You and your kids can make new friends and help a new family feel welcome in our wonderful community. Ambassadors would attend a couple of evening meetings and a few playdates. Details for the first event are listed in the New Families Night section.

RECAP - ICE CREAM SOCIAL

It was so great to see so many HES families at Open House and the PTA was happy to be able to provide ice cream from "Scoop and Paddle" to any and all that braved the heat!! It was a yummy treat and a fun way to reconnect with friends after the summer break and hopefully make some new friends!!

RECAP - BACK TO SCHOOL TEACHER LUNCHEON

The PTA welcomed back the staff of Hammond Elementary by treating them to a delicious lunch from Wegmans. After working hard getting their classroom ready for their new students, the staff was able to enjoy some yummy sandwiches, fruit, salads and more - even Superheroes have to eat!

PTA WEBSITE & FACEBOOK

On the web: hespta.org

Facebook: search "Hammond Elem PTA"



UPCOMING EVENTS!

- 9/14 1st General PTA Meeting at 7pm
- 9/20 New Families Night at 6:30pm in the Media Center & Cafeteria
- 9/30 Fall Festival ~ 4 to 7pm



HES families wait patiently in line for ice cream from "Scoop and Paddle" at the ice cream social welcoming kids back to school!