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HARDIN VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL- PTA

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President's Message: PTA Budget Approved

On Tuesday September 9, PTA meeting attendees built and approved this year's budget. We are really proud of it! This year's approximate \$75,000 PTA budget will support the following: new belts for our Safety Patrol, total funding for the new climbing wall in P.E., a projector for the gym and 15 more iPads (making a complete set for use school-wide). The budget also provides funds for our continual support of clinic needs, the Cultural Arts Contest, mulch for playground safety compliance, maintenance of the two defibrillators, two to three book giveaways, Second Harvest Backpack Program, t-shirts for our track team and Safety Patrol, the All Pro Dads Program, the Spring Art Show, and much, much more.

Your support of our two fundraisers, the Hoe Down (remember, Friday 10/17, 5-8:30pm) and Hawk Walk (Spring 2015), makes this ALL happen!



Tarah Bolas

SAVE THE DATE!

Hoe Down Fri 10/17!

Hoe Down Friday October 17, 2014, 5-8:30pm

It's BBBBBAACCCCCCKKKKKKK! The **Hoe Down** is less than a month away. It is the Friday after we return from Fall Break, and this year, tickets will be worth 50 cents versus the 25 cents from previous years. Pre-ticket sales packages and individual activity costs remain equivalent (so a 4 ticket event from last year is now 2), so the only change is the decrease in the number of physical tickets that everyone has to handle.

- **FREE TICKETS** for volunteering. Shifts are: 4:30-5:45pm (10 free tickets), 5:30-6:45pm (15 free tickets), 6:30-7:45pm (20 free tickets), & 7:30-8:45pm (25 free tickets). Look for a signup form in a Tuesday folder or contact Michelle Sitton at mesitton@gmail.com or phone/text: 865-456-3735. We happily welcome students needing volunteer hours; we will complete any documentation needed for verification of hours worked.
- Our **FOOD** options are pulled BBQ pork sandwiches, hot dogs, chips, slaw, chips & queso, popcorn, funnel cakes, cotton candy, and Coke products. Ticket prices range between 1-14 tickets.
- All of the **ACTIVITIES** from last year are making a return appearance (ticket prices range between 1-4 tickets). All **INFLATABLES** are 2 tickets.

- Remember to ride the Bus from HVA!
- Don't forget to attend our **SILENT AUCTION**. It is always amazing!

Because of Fall Break, **CHICKEN CHANGE** will be collected the week before: Mon 10/6 – Fri 10/10. The winning classroom will have their pizza party the day of the Hoe Down!

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| Mon Oct. 6: | Hat Day |
| Tue Oct. 7: | PJ Day |
| Wed Oct. 8: | Dress Tacky Day |
| Thu Oct. 9: | Crazy Hair Day |
| Fri Oct. 10: | Hat Day |

We will collect baked goods for the **CAKE WALK** Wed 10/15 through Fri 10/17.

Be looking in a future Tuesday folder for our new **SPIRIT WEAR** designs that will be for sale.

Hoe Down Sponsorship Opportunities

If you or someone you know has a business and is interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact us at **HVES-PTA@att.net**. We have several opportunities that include advertisement and other benefits for your business! We'd appreciate your support!



Front Sign Beautification

Thank you to the known and unknown volunteers who pulled weeds from the front sign before the start of school! Also, a big THANKS to Providence Church who added mulch and did other landscaping.

PTA Meetings

PTA meetings are the **2nd Tuesday of the Month** at 5:30pm in the library; however, due to Fall Break, the October meeting will likely be held October 7 or 28. Stay tuned for potential children's activities at this meeting (and when it will be!).

PTA Has a Facebook Page

We don't post any selfies, but we do post information. "Like" our page *Hardin Valley Elementary PTA*.

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Why Isn't Our Clinic Open?

The Red Cross announced that they are no longer able to support school clinics; this is across all Knox County Schools (KCS). KCS is investigating how to handle the administrative and insurance, but no plan has been determined yet. Even though the PTA has funds to support HVES' needs, we have to wait and take direction from KCS. For now, as in past years when we were short volunteers to keep it staffed for an entire day, the children are sent to the office.

PTA Webpage

The school website changed, so that means the PTA page of that website went away. We are working on rebuilding our page. Thank you for your patience during this page construction. You can find it under the PTA tab on the HVES website: <http://www.knoxschools.org/hardinvalleyes>.

PTA Membership – Please Join!

Thanks to all of you who have taken the time to join PTA! We are SO VERY CLOSE to making our goal of 900 memberships for the year!

If you have not yet joined, please take the time to do so. There are some great benefits, including:

- Chick-Fil-A Coupon for a FREE Sandwich with purchase*
- FREE HVES PTA "Mood" Pencil (changes color with heat)*
- FREE Appetizer from Texas Roadhouse*
- And much more!

*while supplies last

With a family membership, members receive a reusable HVES PTA grocery bag or car magnet and 5 times the coupons!*

What does your membership do? It helps support HVES!!! Here are just a few things that PTA provides for our school:

- Technology
- Encore Supplies
- Playground Supplies

PTA Email Distribution

If you are interested in receiving emails with information on upcoming school PTA activities, please send an email to hvesptaemail@gmail.com and we will add you to the email distribution list (please only do this if you are *not* currently on the list).

Teacher Tailgate

Thank you to all who helped our Hospitality committee provide a BBQ Tailgate Luncheon on Friday, September 12. Our staff has helped get our kiddos back into the swing of another school year, and it was wonderful to show them a little love through food!

