

Paw Prints

West Hills Elementary School PTA Newsletter

Hello West Hills Families!

My name is Shannon Reynolds and I am the new PTA president for the 2017-2018 school year. I can't tell you how excited I am to work with the PTA, teachers and staff this year. When I accepted this position, I did so knowing that I have the full support, and enthusiasm, of a hard working PTA that has achieved so much over the last few years. Our executive council is dedicated to helping make West Hills Elementary School the best school in the nation, a long-term goal for our principal Ms. Harrison. I have seen such a positive change in environment and attitude with our teachers, staff and parents in the few short weeks we have been in school. We hope to ride this enthusiasm, and ask all parents to jump on board with getting involved! We have several fun events planned for our families, along with some actionable goals we would like to achieve. I hope each of you will join PTA, participate in PTA events, and lastly support our children's school experience by actively participating in their education.

In health,

Shannon Reynolds

More News

Welcome New Principals

We'd like to extend a very warm welcome to our two new principals, Ms. Harrison & Ms. Jackson! This dynamic duo is already busy making changes and upgrades to the school. Planned upgrades include new carpeting, fresh paint on doors & windows, and new sod for the playground areas.

Water Fountains

New, modernized water bottle refill fountains have been installed at West Hills! Clean, safe & accessible drinking water can now be used to fill up reusable water bottles, reducing the need for wasteful plastic and encouraging our children to drink water instead of sweetened beverages.



Dates at a Glance

Fall Festival

Saturday, October 28th
West Hills campus

Family Game Night

Friday, November 17th
from 6pm – 8pm

International Night

February 2018 – Stay Tuned!

Dine Out Night

Wednesday, 9/27, 4pm- 10pm
Quaker Steak & Lube
10% of sales go to WHES

Hat Days

Bring \$1 on the 1st Friday of each month to support our West Hills Special Olympics athletes!

This year's Hat Days are:

October 6th
November 3rd
December 1st
January 12th
February 2nd
March 2nd
April 6th
May 4th



Volunteers Needed for Box Tops!

The PTA needs volunteers to clip & sort box tops. Any amount of time you can spend doing this task will be appreciated! This is a good opportunity for parents in the corporate world to help out! Funds go directly to the school budget from this ongoing fundraiser. If you are able to help, contact Sheena Ayers (sheenaayers48@gmail.com).

Fall Festival – Saturday, October 28th

Save the date for this year's West Hills Fall Festival on the West Hills campus! We are looking for local business sponsorships to provide the games & food, as well as auction items!

This year's festival will feature a costume parade, live music, food trucks, lots of games & prizes and a petting zoo! We will also be resurrecting our haunted house attraction – a favorite from previous years among young ghouls & ghoulettes! Please also consider volunteering for a 2-hour shift. Please email Jennifer Borth at jenniferflemming@bellsouth.net to sign up for sponsorships and volunteer opportunities!

Family Game Night

Family game night will be replacing Family Movie Night at West Hills this year. Our first Family Game Night will be on Friday, November 17th from 6-8pm in the West Hills Gymnasium. Please join us!

International Night

Our 2nd annual International Night will be in February 2018. This educational and delicious evening features all of the cultures represented at West Hills from around the world. Come learn about the beliefs, values traditions, and foods from other nations worldwide! We need volunteers to make this event a success again this year! Email Shannon Reynolds at tnShannon@gmail.com to help.

Help West Hills just by shopping!

If you shop at Kroger or Food City, you can help West Hills earn a portion of the hundreds of thousands of dollars given away each year to Tennessee schools.

Detailed instructions here: <https://www.knoxschools.org/Page/10603>

OR

West Hills home page > For Families > General Information > Support Your School

Social Media

We are trying to reach 500 likes on Facebook! Search for West Hills PTA and add your voice!

We are also live on Twitter at @WestHillsElem

PTA Membership Drive

If you haven't already, please consider joining the PTA! Our goal this year is 400 individual memberships and 20 business memberships!

As of the last week of September, we have 177 individual / family memberships and 3 business memberships!

We've still got a way to go!
Please help us reach our goal this year!

Want To Get Involved in PTA? Have questions? Suggestions?

PTA Needs Parents!

It's a community effort! Great schools have involved parents!

Email us at talktoWHESPTA@gmail.com