



HORIZON PTO NEWSLETTER

**BACK TO SCHOOL
2015**

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The PTO mission is to provide all students at Horizon the opportunity to excel in academics and in life by providing committed volunteers and supplemental funding for supplies and programs that will enhance the learning environment at Horizon Elementary

WELCOME TO SY 2015-16

The PTO strives to create a learning community at Horizon that includes ALL families AND family members. Each PTO event is held for families to come together and show their support for their children and their children's school. It is a great opportunity to meet your child's classmates, teachers, and parents or guardians. The families you meet this year become next year's friends!

PTO fundraising is essential to fund the supplies and programs that benefit your child. The PTO's goal is to keep fundraising to a minimum; make them as easy and painless as possible. PTO funds the Accelerated Reader program, various assemblies, library books, teacher room supplies, and more.

The PTO Board extends a warm welcome to all new families and hopes they will join with the returning families for a successful school year.

SEPT PTO MEETING

**THURS
9/17/14
6:30PM**

Guests
PreSchool Staff

**HORIZON
LEARNING
CENTER**

Horizon's 3rd Annual Harvest Fest

Friday, September 25th from 4PM-7PM!

Temp Tattoos Hay Rides 3 Inflatables Food Games
Pumpkin Decorating Spiritwear Sports Activities DJ

AND MORE...

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HORIZON SHINES BRIGHTER WITH YOU

The PTO recognizes the many constraints on family and personal time these days. But, the PTO wants you! Your contribution to the Horizon learning community is invaluable. Studies show that when parents/guardians show they value the school and their child's education by volunteering, their students do better in school. Build a solid academic foundation today.

There are many ways to help. You don't have to go to PTO meetings, watch for newsletters or emails anymore! The PTO has created an interactive Volunteer Sign-up List at www.signupgenius.com. [The instructions are in the box to the right.] All the current PTO volunteer requests are listed with date, time, and a description of the job to be done. **Please Volunteer Today!**

Note that individual classroom volunteering is still handled with the teacher.

VOLUNTEERS

Go to.....
www.signupgenius.com

Click on.....
'Find a Signup'

Enter.....
PTO Email address
(horizonpto@yahoo.com)

Pick an event..Enjoy!



PTO Membership

Everyone is invited to join the PTO. PTO membership dues are \$5 per year. You will receive a school directory and PTO voting rights with your membership. You can only get the directory with membership!

Look for the form in the backpacks! Meetings are the 3rd Thurs of each month at 6:30 at Horizon.



WHAT'S NEW

- ✓ 5 new full day pre-K classes
- ✓ 16 new staff
- ✓ 536 K-6 students
- ✓ 80 pre-K students
- ✓ 1st CAC Meeting is 9/10
- ✓ New building HVAC
- ✓ No More Market Day :(
- ✓ Cash Raffle Kickoff at Harvest Fest :)

**PTO
Board
&
Chairs**

Please consider joining! Many parents will be leaving Horizon at year end. We need YOU!

Name	Position	Horizon Kids
Co-Presidents	Tammy Hopkins Lisa Medendorp	2nd 4th, 5th, 6th
1st Vice President	Dan Scire	4th
2nd Vice President	OPEN	OPEN
Treasurer	Aaron Codak	6th
Secretary	Barb Goetzke	6th
Yearbook	Diane Hansmann Nicole Murphy (In Training)	6th - Last School Year! 4th
Book Fair	Jeanine Bukowski	4th, 6th
Accelerated Reader	Pam Murdoch	6th
Web/Social Media	OPEN	OPEN
Bingo Night	Julie Bowers	6th
Fundraising Collections	Tammy Hopkins	2nd
Family Movie Night	OPEN	OPEN
School Supply Kits	Chris Leo April deHaan (In Training)	6th 4th
Spirit Wear	Kim Piper	None -Teacher



ACCELERATED READER PROGRAM

Horizon PTO promotes literacy by funding & administering the Accelerated Reader Program. Students read books listed in the accelerated reader database and take computerized quizzes that test their knowledge about the book. As they pass tests they move along the *Wall of Fame* in the library. As students reach new levels within the program they receive prizes and certificates of achievement. Teachers will send home a letter with log in information.

Book information can be found at www.arbookfind.com
Parents can log on to the Renaissance Learning website to view their student's test history.

Volunteers are needed to log the AR successes for the following teachers:
Mrs. Weathers—both classes, Mrs. Zurek, Mrs. Witt, and Mrs. Schiffbauer
Please contact Pam Murdoch to volunteer pams211@live.com





YO-YO Assembly

On Sept 9th, The NED Show is coming to Horizon. Prior to the show you can order a yo-yo for \$8-\$15. A separate flyer will come home in the coming weeks.

If you purchase a yo-yo, it will be delivered to your child after the assembly at school. The kids will be able to play with their yo-yos on the playground for a week after the assembly! You can also order a yo-yo for a week after the assembly if your child is interested.

www.thenedshow.com/kidz



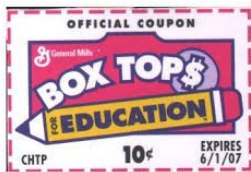
HORIZON ONLINE CALENDAR

Bookmark it today at
http://www.edline.net/pages/Horizon_Elem_School

Horizon PTO participates in 3 fundraising collections and 2 shopper card programs

Box Tops, Labels for Education (aka Campbell Soup Labels), and My Coke Rewards

Send the tops, labels, and rewards to school in a marked envelope with your student—ANYTIME!
 To allow for counting and packaging Box Tops, please be sure to send them in by **Aug 31st** this month.
 You can enter Coke Rewards directly and donate them to Horizon Elementary at
<https://donate.mycokerewards.com/>



Send in Before
Expiration Date

Labels for Education Brands

My Coke Rewards Brands			
Barq's	Fresca	Powerade	Sprite
Coke	Fuze	Pibb	Tab
Dasani	Minute Maid	Seagrams	
Fanta	Mello Yello		



Target and Meijer

Register your Meijer Credit Card in the Meijer Community Rewards program using Horizon's 487817 code
 or
 Apply for the Meijer Community Rewards shopper card and pay with cash or debit to earn rewards.
 Go to https://www.meijer.com/mcr/choose_card.jsp for details

Register your Target RedCard or RedDebitCard in Target's Take Charge of Education Program
 Go to <https://www-secure.target.com/redcard/tcoe/home> and select Horizon to earn rewards.

LIBRARY HELP

The Horizon Librarian, Heather Fagan, needs help shelving books on Tuesdays anytime from 9am-Noon and Wednesdays anytime from 8:30am-Noon.

TIA!

Reach Ms. Fagan at
heatherfagan@u-46.org.

DAYS OFF

Sept 7th—Labor Day
 Oct 12th—Columbus Day
 Oct 23rd—Parent Teacher Conferences
 Nov 23—27 Thanksgiving

REPORT CARDS

End of 1st Trimester—Nov 6th

GET CONNECTED

Throughout the year, PTO sends email with reminders of upcoming events, last minute requests, and general information. If you would like to receive PTO email, please email horizonpto@yahoo.com with the subject line "PLEASE ADD ME".



First Day of School

Welcome Back

