



In The Know - The PTO Home Communication

August 23, 2010

PTO Executive Board Meeting, 6pm, Tuesday	8/31	Curriculum Night (3-5), 6:30pm, Tuesday	9/14
Labor Day Holiday, Monday	9/6	School Holiday, Friday	9/17
PTO Meeting, 8am, Tuesday	9/7	Early Dismissal, 12:30pm, Friday	9/24
Curriculum Night (PK-2) 6:30pm, Thursday	9/9	PTO Executive Board Meeting, 6pm, Tuesday	9/28
Cookie Dough Sales	9/13- 9/24		

From the Principal's Pen

Dear Poe Families,

Welcome to the 2010-2011 school year! This year, our Poe team is looking forward to an "All-Star" Year! So break out the team spirit and throw on your rally cap! I hope that everyone has had an enjoyable and restful summer vacation. We can hardly wait for the halls an classrooms to be filled with the laughter and smiles of our Poe students!

Please mark your calendars for our Curriculum Nights in September. This will be a time for teachers to talk to parents about the expectations of their classrooms. Additional information will come home in Monday folders soon. We hope you can come join us on this night! We look forward to visiting with you.

I have a few reminders as we start of the school year:
 * We will continue our Breakfast in the Classroom program beginning Monday, August 23rd. Keep in mind that there is no student supervision prior to 7:15am. Upon arrival, students should gather in the cafeteria. At 7:15am students will wait at the following locations: PK/Kinder-cafeteria; 1st/2nd-PE Room; 3rd-art room; 4th- science room; and 5th-cafeteria stage. As soon as the 7:45am bell rings, students will be dismissed to their classrooms for Breakfast in the Classroom.

* We are asking parents to wait until the third week of school to visit their children during the lunch. We need this time to get our students acclimated to the cafeteria procedures and rules. You can begin joining your child on September 7th. We appreciate your cooperation with this matter.

*If you are dropping off your child in the morning or picking up your child from school in the afternoon, please remember that car riders pick up and drop off on Hazard (north to south); busses pick up and drop off on Wilton; and day care vans pick up on South Blvd. Let's all keep our students and families safe by following these procedures.

Ms. Ondruch and I are very excited to begin another year with our Poe families. Your continued support and dedication to our students and staff help our school be a wonderful place for students to grown and learn. We have another great year ahead of us as we work diligently to fulfill our goals....."Batter Up!"

C. Gonzales

PTO President's Email Blast list

Want to be kept in the loop regarding Poe and PTO news, deadline, volunteer opportunities and HISD happenings? Enter your email address on the PTO website homepage at www.poepto.org to join the President's Email Blast.

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PTO Web Site www.poepto.org

POE Web Site <http://eshoustonisd.org/poees>

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Uniform Store Hours

The Uniform Store will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. the first week of school from Monday August 23rd through Friday August 27th. The remainder of the year Uniforms may be purchased on Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. The uniform store is now located in the back hallway of the school near the second grade classrooms and the loading dock.

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POE CARNIVAL

62 years and still going strong

Volunteers are needed for the 62nd Annual Poe Carnival! The Carnival is our second largest fundraiser, and it takes many volunteers to make the event a success. We need committee chairs, committee members, and volunteers to work the day of the event on Saturday, October 30! The Carnival is a great way for new parents to get involved and meet other volunteers. If you are interested in helping out, email us at carnival@poepto.org

Inputting your Poe Directory Info online

We're hoping to collect as much Poe directory information electronically as possible, this year. This will ensure all information is reflected accurately and exactly as you want it to appear. We highly recommend you update your information using the online survey, which is fully secure:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PoeDirectory2010>

The deadline is Sept. 17.

Please consider being a sponsor of your child's page for \$15 per child. Thanks for your help in putting together a great directory, and here's looking forward to a fantastic school year! Please contact Che' Smith cwsmith@usa.net for any questions.

Join PTO

You are invited to join the PTO as we help the students of POE achieve success in 2010-2011 by providing them a strong foundation for learning. The purpose of the PTO is to assist the teachers and staff through enrichment programs, classroom materials, and facility improvements through fundraising and volunteer work. PTO membership is an excellent way to become involved in your child's glowing future. Membership is available for as little as \$10. Check out membership levels and pay for your membership online at www.poepto.org or download a membership form and by check made out to Poe PTO.