



MLK Elementary School PTO Summer 2011 Newsletter



Play Date for Kindergarten Students

**Tuesday, August 23
5:00 - 6:30 pm**

Our youngest students love meeting their new classmates during the summer for this play date where best friends are made! Kindergarten students and their families are invited to this play date at the MLK School playground on Howell Street (behind the school building). Principal Ciesla and teachers will also be there to meet new students.



Mark Your Calendar!!

Aug. 20 ~ MLK Campus Cleanup
Aug. 23 ~ Kindergarten Orientation Play Date
Aug. 30 ~ First Day of School Celebration
Sept. 5 ~ Labor Day Holiday (No School)
Sept. 14 ~ School-wide PTO Meeting
Sept. 27 ~ Harvest Fest



News and Updates from the PTO . . .



**PTO Meeting
Wednesday, September 14
5:30-7:00pm**

Parent and Family Engagement Makes for a Great MLK, All members of the MLK school community are encouraged to attend the first PTO meeting of the year. This meeting will highlight the importance of parent and family involvement for our students. We will also discuss exciting upcoming events including Harvest Fest, the fall Book Fair and a Parents Night Out Fundraiser.



**Back to School Campus Cleanup
Saturday, August 20
9:00 am – 1:00 pm**

Join us on Saturday, August 20 for the MLK Back-to-School Campus Cleanup. We are excited about the start of another school year and want to make sure the grounds around MLK are ready to welcome students on the first day of school. Please bring your energy, excitement and enthusiasm along with any of your friends and family, any plants you think would make the MLK campus “pop,” garden/work gloves and gardening tools you want to use for weeding, cleaning and spreading mulch.

Box Tops for Education

Earn cash for MLK by clipping Box Tops from hundreds of your favorite products. Each Box Tops coupon is worth 10¢ for MLK—and that adds up fast! Send Box Tops to the office in an envelope marked PTO. Our goal is to collect 5,000 Box Tops!!



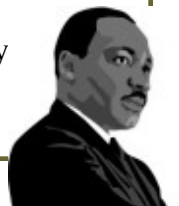
First Day of School Celebration Tuesday August 30

The first day of School is Tuesday August 30! We are so excited about the start of the new school year! Please plan to stay at school after dropping your student(s) off to meet other parents and chat with Principal Ciesla. Refreshments will be served!



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MLK Parent Teacher Organization

The mission of the MLK PTO is to support and enhance the academic experience of every student at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School. We do this in collaboration with teachers, staff, and administrators by supporting a variety of academic enrichment initiatives including providing supplementary classroom resources, funding field trips, and ensuring equitable access to the benefits of our community, city, and state.

2011-2012 PTO Leadership

President

Corey D. B. Walker

Vice-President

Helen Dukes

Immediate Past Presidents

Jill Davidson & Kim Rohm

Secretary

Lorraine Lalli

Treasurer

Laura Cavanaugh

Parliamentarian

Richard Purnell

Volunteers are always welcome (and needed)!

To become more involved in the PTO, please join us at our PTO meetings and events.

Please consider these great volunteer opportunities with the PTO:

- ***Academic Affairs Committee*** – Are you committed to ensuring that all MLK students achieve the highest academic standards? Then this is the committee for you.
- ***Beautification Committee*** – Enjoy gardening, decorating, and just making MLK beautiful? Then this is the committee for you.
- ***Communications Committee*** – Want to help get the word out about all the exciting events, programs, and opportunities at MLK? Then this is the committee for you.
- ***Community Engagement Committee*** – Have a talent for getting folks together to collaborate on activities, events, and programs to make MLK the best? Then this is the committee for you.
- ***Events Committee*** – Like being a part of a team to create fun and exciting activities for MLK students and families? Then this is the committee for you.
- ***Fundraising Committee*** – Willing to go that extra mile to ensure that the PTO has the necessary financial resources for its events, programs, and initiatives? Then this is the committee for you.
- ***Hospitality Committee*** – Do you like meeting new people and making them feel a right at home in the MLK community? Then this is the committee for you.

Contact Us:

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