

# Highland Hawks

PTA Newsletter

August/September 2013

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

Aug. 20	Ist Day of school
Aug. 26	Band and Orchestra begin
Aug. 27	Ist Day of Kindergarten
Aug. 29	Hearing Screenings
Sept. 2	Labor Day – No School
Sept. 4	Hawk Walk Kick-Off Assembly
Sept. 18	Vision Screenings
Sept. 20	Hawk Walk
Sept. 25	Fall Pictures with Life Touch
Sept. 27	Dads and Donuts
Oct. 2-3	Parent Teacher Conferences

## Message from the PTA President

We are so excited about our upcoming new school year! We would like to introduce our new PTA Board!

<b>Pam Wilson</b>	<b>President</b>
<b>Kristen Lee</b>	<b>President Elect</b>
<b>Nikky Johnson</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
<b>Kaley Quist</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Brittany Bills</b>	<b>Legislative VP</b>
<b>Rachael Hoffman</b>	<b>Leadership VP</b>
<b>Chris Ivie</b>	<b>Membership VP</b>

This year we are trying to improve the technology at our school. We want to raise money for a new iPad cart for Highland Elementary. This money will come from the money we raise at our Hawk Walk. We love our Hawk Walk! It gives the children the

opportunity to work for the money and enjoy being outside and being active! We would encourage each of you to donate generously as this is the main fundraiser for our school. The wonderful thing about this way of fundraising is that 100% of the money raised stays at our school and you don't have cookie dough or wrapping paper cluttering your life! ☺ Along with the iPads each teacher will receive money for each individual student. This money is for the teacher to buy whatever he/she needs for his/her own classroom!

At our Back to School Night we had sign ups for the many activities throughout the year. If you were not able to come to Back to School Night and would like to help then please email [pamsmail2@yahoo.com](mailto:pamsmail2@yahoo.com). Let us know what you are interested in helping with and we will get your name to the correct person. We need all the help we can get! Whether you have one hour or several hours to volunteer, we would love to have you!! You can choose from Reflections, Red Ribbon Week, Bully Free, Book Fair, Teacher Appreciation, Hawk Walk, Book Fair or helping in the classrooms for a party or whatever the teacher might need.

We are trying to get companies to sponsor Highland Elementary so we can buy more iPads for our school. If you are an owner of a business or know an owner of a business that would like to donate money for this

cause then please let us know. We have a few different options for advertising in return!

We are looking for someone to be over Awards and Grants. If you know anything about writing Grants or would be willing to learn how to write Grants we need you! Please email us and let us know!

Thank you for raising such amazing children! Please let us know how the PTA can be of help to you! We look forward to a wonderful school year!

Pam Wilson  
PTA President  
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## **PTA on Facebook and Twitter!**

For more up to date information "Like" us on Facebook at "Highland Elementary PTA" or follow us on Twitter at "Highland Elementary".

## **Hawk Walk**

"Let's Get Ready to Rumble!" Now is the time for ALL of our Highland Hawks to start training for our 12th annual Hawk Walk. We will have our kick off assembly on September 4th and the Hawk Walk will be on Friday September 20th. It's never too early to start talking to your family and neighbors about sponsoring you for this, the only fundraiser our school participates in. All the funds raised from the Hawk Walk go into the classrooms of our students. We are hoping to use a portion of the proceeds to purchase a portable iPad Cart that will be available for all of our

students. Don't forget..."Let's Get Ready to Rumble!"

## **SCC News**

We have 4 parent openings on the SCC this year. If you are interested, let Mr. Hodson know by September 3rd and we will be holding elections September 4, 5, and 6th. We meet once a month on the second Thursday at 3:45 PM for about an hour.

## **Dads and Donuts**

Our first Dads and Donuts will be on Sept. 27. The last names of those who will attend will be announced shortly after school starts.

## **Highland Hawks Spiritwear**

If you are interested in ordering spiritwear please turn your order form and money into the office by Friday, August 23, 2013. We have T-shirts, zip hoodies, and spirit sleeves. Remember that if you pay for a PTA family membership (\$10) you receive a \$2 discount on *each* item of spiritwear that you order except for spirit sleeves.

## **Reflections**

Get your creative juices flowing around this year's theme "Believe, Dream, Inspire!" The categories are visual arts, dance choreography, photography, film production, musical composition, literature, theater production, and 3D. Entries will be due mid October. More information to come!

## **Smith's Earn and Learn**

Join the Smith's Earn and Learn Program! It is free to join and Highland Elementary will get a portion of the money that you already

are spending at Smith's. Go to [http://www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/COMMUNITY/Pages/earn\\_learn.aspx](http://www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/COMMUNITY/Pages/earn_learn.aspx) to enroll in this program!