



THES PTA Newsletter

<http://thunderhillespta.weebly.com>

March 27, 2018

WE NEED YOU!

Did you enjoy bingo? Did you win big at the silent auction? Has your child enjoyed an after school activity such as Spanish Immersion or Abrakadoodle? In order to continue to offer these activities next school year, we need help. Any and all jobs can be shared with someone, so grab a friend! Contact Abby Wedeking at president.thespta@gmail.com for more information.

MANDATORY POSITION -

Corresponding Secretary (Board-level position)

This position retrieves and reports on any incoming PTA correspondence. The person in this position also purchases and delivers staff recognition cards, as needed. This is a minimum one year, board-level commitment that requires a PTA vote.

2018-2019 VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

After School Activities Coordinator

This position works with our existing providers to coordinate activities. Our providers have been selected for the year and most reservations have already been secured. This is a great year to volunteer for this job, since most of it is already done!

Family Bingo & Silent Auction Coordinator

Have you enjoyed our Bingo & Silent Auction night? Please help us keep this event going by volunteering as the event coordinator. Help solicit donations for the auction, plan fun bingo prizes, and run the event. Grab a friend or two to make the job easy. This is a event planning job that requires a moderate amount of work leading up to the night.

CALENDAR

- April 9** PTA Meeting, 6:30 PM
THES Media Center
- May 14** PTA Meeting, 6:30 PM
THES Media Center
- June 10** 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run

Did you know ?

Anyone can contact the PTA with questions about THES by email at ask.thespta@gmail.com

Family Movie Night Coordinator

Have you enjoyed our Family Movie Nights? Step up and help coordinate one movie experience. Distribute/process ticket order forms, promote movie, plan concessions, and host evening at school. This is one-time job that requires a moderate amount of work.

Restaurant Night Out Coordinator

Plan monthly restaurant fundraisers. Contact restaurants either by email or in person. Coordinate distribution of flyers and shirt labels. This requires a minimal-moderate amount of time throughout the school year.

Spelling Bee Coordinator

This is a one-time event position. The Spelling Bee Coordinator plans the yearly Bee in conjunction with administration and staff. This person also reviews and enforces rules and regulations at the yearly Spelling Bee. This is a one-time job (Bee usually is held in February) that requires a low to moderate amount of work.

MEMORY BOOK COVER CONTEST

Attention artists! All Thunder Hill students are invited to participate in this year's Memory Book cover contest. All entries must be submitted by Friday, April 13, so you can perfect your cover over Spring Break. A flier and blank page for your entry appear later in this newsletter.

Save the Date for the 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run! June 10, 2018

Join us for our annual 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run. Registration details, volunteer needs, and sponsorship information coming in the next few weeks.

Anyone interested in volunteering for 5k steering committee, please send an email to thes5kfun@gmail.com

FROM THE MEDIA CENTER

STEAM DAY co-presenters needed!!!

I am still looking for about 3-5 parents who would like to participate in three sessions for 5th graders on STEAM Day, which is April 12th. The session will be all about "**STEAM-ing across Asia,**" and focusing on the cultures (Visual Arts, Dance, Foods, Music, Education, etc.) of countries on the continent of Asia. If you are available that day to help out and share your knowledge, please let me know! One parent from Pakistan has already expressed interest and is excited along with me, to work together!!! If you can get in touch with me as soon as possible, that would be so appreciated! You can contact me at: leah_mcilvain@hcpss.org

The "**Battle of the Books**" among the county's 5th graders is approaching! On April 13th, Thunder Hill ES will be represented in the competition by 9 teams. That's an amazing number of teams of 5 students that will make our school proud! The teams and their coaches have been preparing for "the Battle" since November, reading and becoming experts on 12 selected books. Moreover, Battle of the Books is a very exciting event, filled with good sportsmanship and inclusion of all who want to participate. The annual event is sponsored by the A+ Partnership between HCPL and the HCPSS.

I am **looking for copies of the books** from the series of **AMAZING ANIMALS**, that were given with kids' meals at a local restaurant a couple of years ago; pictured at the bottom of the screenshot on the right are the fronts of the books for reference. There are other animals such as elephants, koalas, parrots, sea turtles, hummingbirds, giraffes, whales, monkeys, and sea lions that you might have copies of as well.

Thank you ahead of time for sending any extras that you have to the media center for use in lessons. Mrs. McIlvain



CALL for SUPPLIES!

The STEAM Day committee is asking for our help. They are collecting paper towel and toilet paper rolls (just the cardboard roll) for STEAM Day activities. Please help and send some in by Spring Break.

Questions? Ask the PTA at ask.thespta@gmail.com



Support the PTA with Amazon Smile!

You can support the THES PTA every time you shop through Amazon Smile. Go to www.smile.amazon.com and search Thunder Hill PTA. Or use our code 23-7111265.

3x your impact! From March 12-31, Amazon is **tripling the donation rate** on your first smile.amazon.com purchase!

Go to smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7111265 and Amazon donates to Thunder Hill Elementary PTA.



Now your support goes 3 times as far

From Mar 12 – 31, Amazon will triple the donation rate to 1.5% on your first eligible purchase at smile.amazon.com.



THES is participating in the **Casey Cares Biggest Pajama Party in History** again this year and collecting movie night supplies and PJs for families. Please see attached flyer. We'll also send the flyer home starting next week.

Send in Your Box Tops!

We need your Box Tops. Send in Box Tops in baggies or envelopes. Look for a collection sheet in your child's Friday folder or use the attached collection sheet.



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CertifiKID Savings Offer

The PTA has partnered with CertifiKid for a fundraiser/savings event! Go to www.certifikid.com and use our promo code THES at checkout and save \$5 off a \$30 order. The PTA also earns \$5 for every promo code redeemed. This offer expires June 2018. Share this offer with your friends and family. Anyone can use our code to save! For more information, read the flyer on page 6

Are you not so sure you want to buy more stuff, but still want to donate to the PTA?

Consider making a monetary donation. 100% of your money will go to the PTA, thus going to your kids, their teachers and your community! If you would prefer to make a direct donation, you can do so in one of two ways:

1. Make check payable to THES PTA and put in envelope addressed to Vera Simmons, PTA
2. Go to our website and donate online squareup.com/store/thunder-hill-es-pta

Thank you for your donations!

Like us on Facebook for event and activity updates!
www.facebook.com/thunderhillpta

Visit the THES PTA website today!
thunderhillespta.weebly.com/

Attention All THES Students and Parents!

Announcing the 2017-2018 Thunder Hill Memory Book cover contest, open to all THES students! This year's Memory Book theme is "Thundering On", based on the THES school song.

RULES:

1. Artwork must be original (no clip art, screenshots, tracing, or computer manipulated photos) and must be the work of the student without adult assistance.

2. Please include the following words on the cover:

THUNDER HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2017 - 2018

THUNDERING ON!

3. Use markers for best results. Do not use crayons or colored pencils—they do not show up as well in print.

4. Write student name, grade, and teacher on the BACK of the entry in PENCIL.

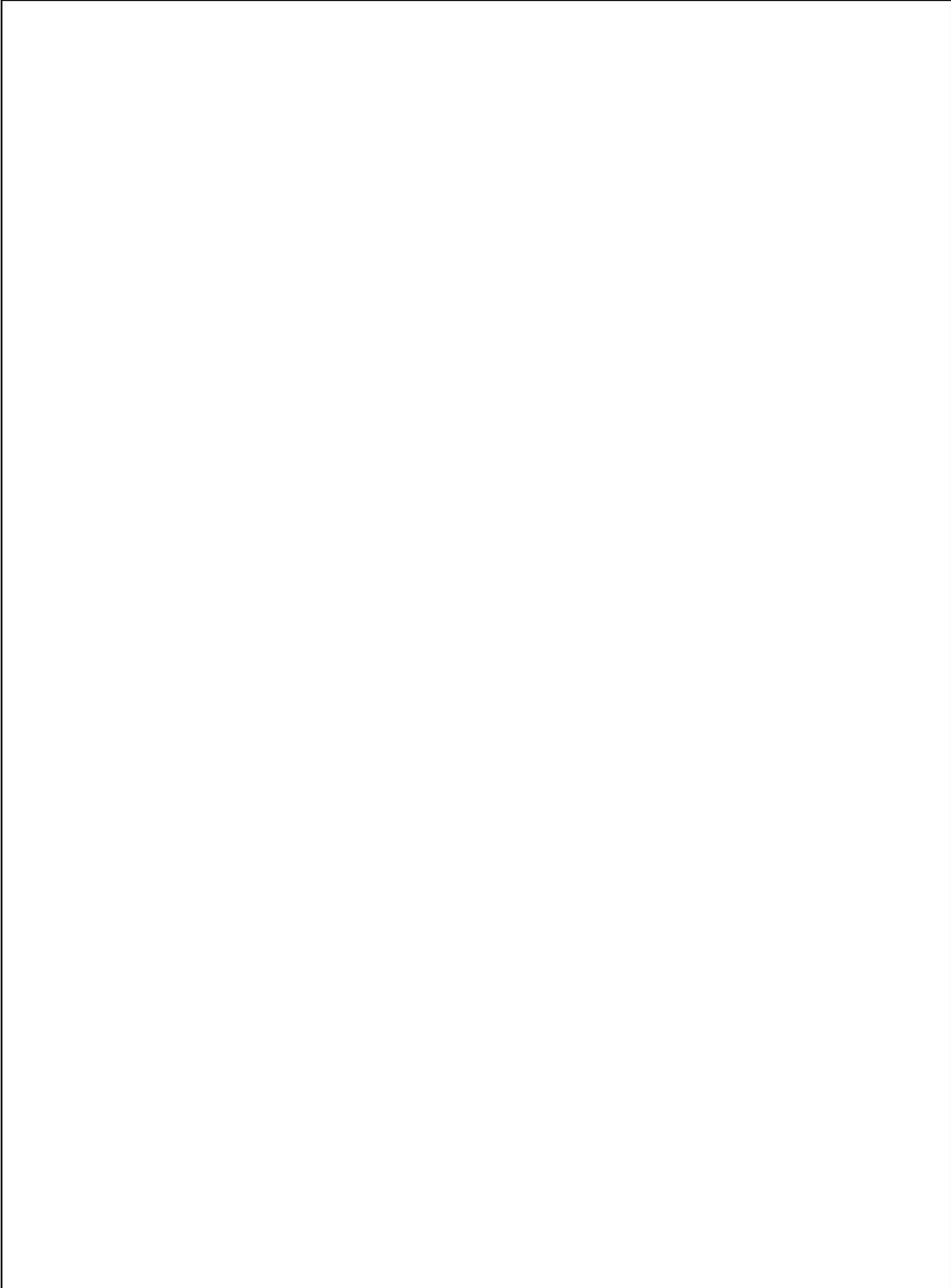
5. Please turn in your entry to Miss Atkinson or your homeroom teacher no later than Friday, April 13, 2018.

Thank you,

Pam Sikora

THES Memory Book Coordinator 2017-2018

Memory book cover template





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You will receive an **extra \$5 off your purchase** of \$30 or more. *Our organization will receive \$5 as well!*



Please share this promo code with your friends and family. There's no limit to how much we can raise! **HURRY!** This promotion ends June 15, 2018.

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You Are Invited to Casey Cares Biggest Pajama Party!



Help us help sick kids!

Please have your child bring new pajamas and gift cards to school this week or next to donate to critically ill children in your area.



What is #CaseyCaresBiggestPJParty?

April 16th is National Wear Your Pajamas to Work Day, but more importantly, it's the Casey Cares 3rd Annual Biggest Pajama Party! Casey Cares Foundation is a local charity that provides ongoing, uplifting programs to critically ill children and their families. This is our school's chance to support sick children in our area.

How will the donations be used?

Supplies collected will help Casey Cares fill PJ & Movie Night buckets! These buckets ease the isolation felt by children with cancer, severe sickle cell, cystic fibrosis and other life-threatening illnesses. These buckets help homebound families, by treating them to a family night, complete with pizza delivery, movie rental, pajamas and popcorn!

Help us fill
this bucket!



How can my family help??

1. Send in supplies for PJ & Movie Night Buckets:
New two-piece pj's (infant and teen sizes are always most needed)
\$10 movie gift cards (Fandango, Netflix, Amazon)
\$10 pizza restaurant gift cards (Papa Johns, Pizza Hut, Ledo)
2. Take a photo of your family in their pajamas and share them on social media with the hashtag #CaseyCaresBiggestPJParty and #CaseyCares

Make sure your child brings in their donations on or before April 16th! Thank you!





Thunder Hill Elementary School PTA



Start clipping Box Tops today! Each one is worth 10¢ for your child's school. They add up quickly and your school can use the cash to buy whatever it needs. For more information on Box Tops for Education, including a list of participating products and how much your child's school has earned, go to BTFE.com. Thanks for your help!

- 1** Clip Box Tops.
Don't forget to check the expiration date.
- 2** Tape or glue Box Tops on this sheet.
- 3** Send completed sheet to your school.

