



TIMBER RIDGE PTO

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News from our Parent Teacher Organization ~ Fall 2012

Timber Ridge Trimmer's Team

With the introduction of the Everyday Math Curriculum, there is an abundance of supporting games and activities that strengthen our students' math skills. Timber Ridge needs volunteers to cut and assemble the games and activities so that all of the resources are available as soon as possible. The PTO is working on setting up a schedule for the Trimmer's Team to meet on a regular basis. This is an excellent opportunity for working parents to contribute to the classroom as we will work on scheduling some evening get-togethers. If you are interested please contact Michele Cardwell, iacardwells@yahoo.com 401-4660; or Robin Ehredt, rkehredt@msn.com or 229-8172.

Donate Books for Guided Reading Library

Timber Ridge has a need for used books in very good condition for the Guided Reading Library program. If you have books that aren't being used at your home, your support of this program would be much appreciated. You can deliver your books to the TR office.

Scholastic Book Fair Begins Nov. 12

Timber Ridge PTO is happy to bring back the Scholastic Book Fair which will take place Nov. 12th through 19th. The theme is "All Stars." The Book Fair is open from 9 am to 4 pm each school day and will be open until 8 pm on conference nights, Thursday, Nov. 15, and Monday, Nov. 19. The Book Fair would not be possible without help from many volunteers. Our volunteers help children, staff and parents with book selections, run cash registers and assist with other activities. It's a great way to meet other parents and staff members. If you'd like to volunteer, visit the sign-up page at www.timberridgepto.org/volunteer or contact Megan Thompson at megtstrom@gmail.com.

Conference Meal

We are showing our appreciation to our teachers and staff by providing a meal during parent/teacher conferences on Thursday, November 15th. Our meal is a taco bar which will include taco meat, shells, tortillas and toppings along with rice, beverages and dessert. Thanks for your help and support on this project. You can sign up to bring a food or meal item, and for set-up and clean-up by visiting www.timberridgepto.org/volunteer. We just need your e-mail so that we can send a reminder notice. Thank you for your support!

Representative for Superintendent's Calendar Committee

Johnston Superintendent Clay Guthmiller has invited each elementary school in the district to identify a parent representative to serve on the Calendar Committee for the 2013-2014 school year. The focus of this committee will be to incorporate teacher/staff planning and collaboration time for elementary teachers. Right now, our elementary teachers do not have allocated planning time. Making this accommodation will most likely require designating late start or early out days in the calendar. One teacher from each school will also serve on the committee. If you are interested in serving as the TR parent representative or need more information, contact TR Principal Cheryl Henkenius at chenkenius@johnston.k12.ia.us or call Timber Ridge at 331-4379.

Visit the Timber Ridge PTO Website

Timber Ridge PTO launched a new website, and you will find announcements, general information, form downloads and some new features like PayPal payments for fund-raisers and volunteer sign-up. Visit the new website at www.timberridgepto.org.