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Welcome Back Wildcats



Ponderosa PTSA wants to welcome all of our families back to school and for those that are new families here at Ponderosa, we welcome you!!!

Here is the first of many PTSA update letters. For those of you that don't know what this is, it's our way of keeping you informed while limiting the amount of paper that comes home. We hope you find this useful and enjoy reading it!!!

If you have any questions or concerns, or would like to see something added to the update, please contact me by email or calling me. I do try to have all the information by Wednesday so I can print on Thursday, so they can go with your children on Friday.

Thank you and I look forward to a great year working with you and your children.

Brenda Sennott
PTSA President
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PTSA General Meeting
October 7th @ 6:30 PM
Childcare will be provided
Come find out what's going on!

Yes we need you at Ponderosa Elementary **BEAUTY IS.....**

The theme for this year's Reflections program! Reflections is a National PTA arts recognition program available to students (pre-K thru 12th grade) who attend a school with a PTA/PTSA in good standing. Students may submit entries in six arts categories. The categories are:

- Literature
- Music
- Photography
- Visual arts
- Film/video production
- Dance/choreography

Ponderosa PTSA is looking for a **Chairman for the Reflections Committee.**
If you are interested in learning more about this program & the committee, Please contact Brenda Sennott, thesennott6@yahoo.com

Do you want to be the first to know about what's going on at Ponderosa Elementary??? Please email Brenda Sennott @ thesennott6@yahoo.com and she will add you to our email list used for update purposes only.

PTSA Update cont.....

Fall 2009 Fundraiser

Hopefully your fundraiser packets made it home safely. If you haven't taken the time to browse through this year's selection, make sure you do. There are a lot of new things to choose from to suit just about anybody. And new this year, for every 10 items your child/children sells, not only do they get the prize they earned but YOUR name gets entered into a drawing to win a gift basket as well. So get out there and sell, sell, sell!!!!

Upcoming Events

September

- September 16-30- PTSA Fall Fundraiser
- September 22- Curriculum Night 6:30-7:30
- September 22- Leo's Individual Picture Day
- September 23- Board Meeting 3:15

October

- October 7-Board Meeting 3:15
- October 7- PTSA General Membership Meeting 6:30**
- October 9- NO SCHOOL Learning Improvement Day
- October 20- Family Photo Night 4-8
- October 26- PTSA Skate Night 6-8 Roller Valley

Ponderosa Fundraising 101

Fundraising at any school is a critical function of many daily and yearly traditions. Central Valley School district does a good job of supplying our schools with the essentials for teaching our children. Here at Ponderosa we want to surpass those essentials and give our students the best learning tools available. This requires more funds than our school currently receives from the district. Some items that we feel are important are the following:



- Extra Technology for our school
- Grants for Classrooms
- Additional Library Resources
- School Supplies
- Outdoor Improvements
- School Field Trips
- 4th Grade Rocket Program
- Quality Assemblies
- Family Fun Night
- Just to name a few!!!!

There are so many activities that the PTSA supports all done with money raised from our fundraisers. If you are curious about specific details of the projects listed above, please come to the General PTSA Meeting on October 7th @ 6:30 PM (Childcare will be provided). We would love to see you there!!!!

Walmart Bag Recycle Program

Walmart has discontinued their bag recycle program. If you have been saving bags over the summer, thank you!!! The PTSA would like you to keep the bags you saved if you can. We are hoping Walmart will restart this program. If you are unable to store them, please contact Brenda and she will take them off of your hands.

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