

From the Laurel PTO

Dear Parents:

Welcome (back) to Laurel! PTO plans for the 09/10 school year are under way which include lots of fun, educational and community-minded events and programs for our children. In planning, we have reflected on three “E”s: the environment, the economy, and efficiency. That said, we plan to greatly reduce paper, and increase **online** communication. In addition, we have diligently budgeted for the year. As the PTO is our Parent/Teacher Organization, we all need to work hand-in-hand to assure effective communication and planning. Essentially, it takes all of us to make things happen! Here’s how you can be a true PTO partner:

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

- 👉 Read the District email you will receive the week of August 10th!! This will contain all the information (or access to) you need to prepare for school.
- 👉 Subscribe to (at www.laurelpto.org) and READ the Laurel PTO Newsletter.
- 👉 Subscribe to (at www.mpcsd.org) and READ the District Newsletter.
- 👉 Go to the new Laurel *Online Arena* for your “Back-to-School” Checklist”! (www.laurelpto.org, click on Online Arena)

PLANNING AND PROGRESS

In order put the 09/10 PTO plan into action we depend on Laurel families joining the PTO at the beginning of the year. Our hopes are to continue to offer students things like field trips with bus transportation, recess programs with Riekes, music with Mrs. Beckstrom, instructional materials, the Art and Science Fair and much, much more! This also depends on your partnering with us by joining the PTO!

- 👉 Please join the PTO! Flyer enclosed. (Or go to www.laurelpto.org and join via online payment; click Join Now!)

We look forward to seeing you at the Back to School Coffee on the first day of school, if you can make it! There truly is nothing like the Laurel community. Thank you in advance for being partners with us in ways that directly impact communicating efficiently, and bringing PTO programs alive.

Sincerely,

Carla Posthauer
PTO President

FOR YOUR CALENDARS

August 21: Class Lists Posted at the school, 4pm
August 24: Teacher “Meet and Greets” in classrooms (times tbd)
August 25: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL/Back to School Coffee

September 3: Back to School Night
September 11: Fall Family Picnic, 5:30pm
September 23: General PTO Meeting, 7:00pm