



PTA Link

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Hamilton County
Council of PTAs

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Healthy Walk 2010

The 2nd annual Healthy Walk will be Friday, October 29, 2010.

This walk is sponsored by the Hamilton County Council of PTAs and supported by the Hamilton County Department of Education.

This is your local unit's opportunity to promote a PTA program in your school by supporting the PTA goal of promoting the health and well-being of stu-

dents. What better time than Healthy Habit Month to walk!

So, Get Ready, Get Set, and Go! The walk will begin at 10:00 AM and every Hamilton County school can participate!

Whether you walk around your track, playground, school campus, or just walk in place, the PTA county council wants to have everyone moving for 20 minutes. Have your community join in too!



Healthy Walk from 2009.

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Upcoming Events:

- October 6: 11 AM, State of the Schools, Dr. Jim Scales.
- October 7: Initial Membership Council membership report due
- October 29: 10 AM, Healthy Walk 2010
- November 3: Council Meeting at 11 AM
- November 15: Reflections entries due to the Council

State of the Schools Address

Hamilton County Council of PTAs will be host the annual 2010-2011 State of the School Address. Dr. Jim Scales will be our guest at our general membership meeting on Wednesday, October 6, 2010, at 11:00 am in the boardroom at Hamilton County Department of Education, 3074 Hickory Valley

Road. This will be Dr. Scales 5th State of the School address since he became Hamilton County Schools Superintendent. We are excited to hear what great things are in store for our students this year.





Hamilton County Council of PTAs website is at hcptacouncil.org!

Teacher Supply Depot Shopping Day

The Hamilton County PTA Council's Teacher Supply Depot (TSD) had a open day of shopping for registered Hamilton County teachers who were members of the PTA on Saturday, September 11.

The shopping day was covered by Chattanooga media and had hundreds of teachers taking advantage of available classroom supplies!

Here is one quote of many thank you letters from teachers : "I would like to thank you and the PTA for the wonderful shopping experience on September 11th. I was amazed at everything I was able to get for my classroom. I have been a teacher for seven years and I often spend a great deal of my income on supplies for my classrooms. I often have lessons I want to do with my

class that require certain materials, but because of a lack of money to purchase those things I am unable to do them in the way that I feel would be more engaging for the student. Thanks to the Teacher Depot and all of the great items I received Saturday, I will be able to do more in my classroom."

Find out more about TSD online at hcptacouncil.org

Reflections Contest "Together We Can"

Deadline for entries to the Hamilton County PTA Council:

Monday, November 15, 2010.

If you choose to send your entries directly to the TN PTA

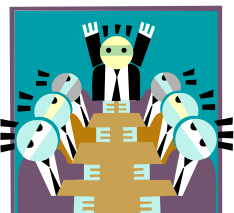
their deadline is Saturday, January 15, 2011.

Reflections

"Together We Can" is a great theme! It is so representative of what PTA is all about. We would love to see increased participation this year. Creative kids deserve this opportunity. Deadline for the

local council submission is November 15, 2010. Watch for email updates for the times to delivery your entries to the local council PTA office inside the central office off Hickory Valley Rd. Questions

contact Melanie Ozborn at mozborn66@comcast.net or Theresa Bryant at 362-1074.



Find out more about the Council online at hcptacouncil.org!

Council Board of Managers

The Hamilton County Council Board of Managers met two times in August to prepare for the new PTA school year in Hamilton County!

Who are the Board of

Managers? The board is elected officers and committee chairmen.

There are county PTA council chairmanships available for PTA leaders! Share your PTA volunteer passion with

all Hamilton County PTA members!

Interested? Contact Tim Hixson at the email address of:

hccptas@hcde.org

Initial Council Membership Report

The initial council membership report is due on October 7. Download the form and more information from the website hcptacouncil.org!

The initial Tennessee PTA membership report can be found at the website tnpta.org. You will need both forms!

Here are the steps to follow:

1. Enter members into online membership dues

reporting (OMDR) system.

2. Complete this form and the TNPTA membership initial report. Make a copy of these records for your PTA files/records.

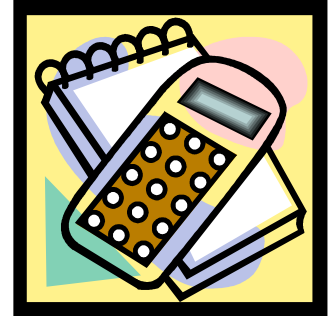
a. Attach check made payable to Hamilton County Council PTA and clearly marked membership dues. Dues are \$3.00 a member.

b. Attach two copies of a complete list of your PTA

members along with your reports. These may be printed from OMDR or from the form available online at hcptacouncil.org

3. Mail the reports, your check and two copies to the Council Treasurer:

Dana Price
907 Retro Hughes Road
Sale Creek, TN 37373



Hamilton County Council PTA will forward your TNPTA report and dues to the Tennessee PTA.

Other Important County Council Deadlines

In addition to Reflections, other county deadlines include Citizenship Essays on December 13. The theme is "We are United Because..."

The Safety Poster contest is due December 13. The theme is

"Picture the World without Bullies."

All applications for awards that are presented at the Principal's Dinner in April have a deadline of Friday, April 1, 2011.

These awards include Outstanding Principal,

Outstanding Local Units, and Volunteer hours.

Scholarships include the Eula A. Johnston Scholarship Application and the Sandra A. Black Scholarship.

"Citizenship essays and Safety poster council deadline is December 13!"

Hamilton County Council Treasurer's Corner

Previous Balance:
\$5473.36 (Aug. 1)

Deposits: 40 cents
Expenses: 35 dollars

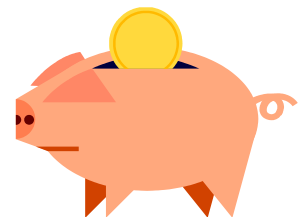
Ending Balance:
\$5440.76 (Sep. 1)

Reminders:
Must have two signatures on all PTA checks.

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Have your PTA financial books audited each year. Appoint a committee before the end of the school year!

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As the largest volunteer child advocacy association in the nation, Parent Teacher Association (PTA) reminds our country of its obligations to children and provides parents and families with a powerful voice to speak on behalf of every child while providing the best tools for parents to help their children be successful students. Great things are happening in Hamilton County Schools, please be a part of it! Parents are our children's first teachers. The success of our students begins at home. The Hamilton County Council of PTA's encourages every community member to become a member of your local PTA.

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Please submit articles and ideas to Dwight Hunter at dwight.hunter@gmail.com

PTA News and Happenings

1. Welcome the newest PTA unit in Hamilton County!

It is Bess E. Shepherd Elementary School.

2. Want to serve on the Tennessee PTA Board of Managers in 2011-2013? Board of Managers interest forms are due by October 15 in the state PTA office. Download the form from tnpta.org!

3. On Facebook? Be-

come a fan of Tennessee PTA at facebook.com/tnpta! If you are not on Facebook, you can still go the web address and see the postings!

4. Thank you the all of the PTAs in Hamilton County for providing parent involvement opportunities for our county schools! Volunteers rock!

5. Guess what 2011 means to PTA mem-

bers in Tennessee?

It means the centennial of Tennessee PTA! That's right—PTA in Tennessee for 100 years!

Plan to attend the centennial TNPTA convention in April 2011, Nashville.

6. InstantAmber is a PTA partner! Register for InstantAmber with a PTA discount. Ask your local PTA for more information.