

PTO Newsletter

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SPECIAL POINT OF INTEREST:

- **First PTO Meeting of 2010-2011 school year: Thursday, August 19, 6 PM, Odyssey Charter Cafeteria. OPEN TO ALL.** Your attendance is encouraged and rewarded with 1 hour of volunteer time.

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Big start to new school year

The Odyssey Charter Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) has already met in preparation for this year's commitment.

The PTO Board would like to thank all the new members who signed up during registration. During the two days of registration, 50 members joined the organization!

Please note that new members are welcome to join the PTO at any time during the year. And member or not, all are welcome to attend PTO meetings and to volunteer to support the various activities.

All are invited to the first PTO meeting this year on **Thursday, August 19, at 6 PM in the Odyssey Charter cafeteria.**

This is a change from the 12th to assist with back to school schedules.



The first 2010-2011 PTO request was made for an incubator. The membership and board voted on and approved the purchase of an incubator.

2010-2011 PTO Board Members

Dyana Carlos, President

Stefani Schiff, 1st Vice President

Karen Coleman, 2nd Vice President

Joann Purkerson, Treasurer

Sandra Harmon, Recording Secretary

Jennifer Shaffer, Correspondence Secretary

Committee Representatives:

Ashley Copeland, Fundraiser coordinator

Alexis Rotstien, 3rd—5th teacher representative

Angela Madden, K—2nd teacher representative

Donna Marciniak, Volunteer coordinator

Vicky Von Samon, Middle school teacher representative

Renee Grant, Wellness Committee representative

Gayle Withworth, Earth Day/ Adopt a Road program coordinator

PTO Welcome Meeting with Dinner

Please attend the first PTO meeting of this year at 6 pm on Thursday, August 19 (change from the 12th), in the cafeteria. Complimentary dinner will be provided. Please reserve your spot today by returning this form to teacher by Tuesday, August 17.

RESERVATION FOR PTO WELCOME DINNER

NAME _____

attending: _____ Adults / _____ Children



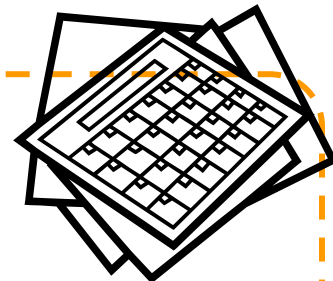
Spirit Day \$.50
Friday, August 13
Pay in classroom
Wed. & Thurs.

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Volunteers Needed To make OUR school A better place!!!



Upcoming Events



The PTO Board has developed a tentative calendar for the 2010-2011 school year. Some highlights include:

Spirit Day: Cultural Celebration: Students may wear outfits/colors that represent their cultures/nationalities.

Friday, August 13

Welcome Dinner
 August 19, 6 PM, Cafeteria

Family Reading Night
 October 20

Tween Night
 November 5

Fall Family Lunch
Grades K—2
 November 16

Fall Family Lunch
Grades 3—8
 November 23

Holiday Bazaar
 December 6—10

Parent’s Night Out
 December 10

5k Run/Walk
 February 19

*** OPEN HOUSE ***
6:30—7:30 PM
August 31 = K—2nd
September 1 = 3rd—5th
September 2 = 6th—8th

Message from PTO President

On behalf of Odyssey Charter School PTO let me start by welcoming you to our new school year, I hope summer was safe and fun for you all. We are very excited about this new year and we look forward to have the opportunity to work with you.

Odyssey Charter School PTO is a volunteer parent-teacher organization with the main focus of working together to provide our children with the best possible school experience.

It has been proven that children excel in school when parents are

involved in their education. Therefore, one of the most important goals of our PTO is to provide parents with as many opportunities as possible to fulfill the volunteer hours our school requires.

In addition, raising funds to support school projects is another important goal of the PTO.

I would like to extend the warmest invitation to all families to join the PTO. Membership is only \$5.00 per family per school year. Membership will allow you to join the board in making deci-

sions about how we invest our funds and what projects to support and will entitle you to elect your future officers.

PTO meetings are held the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm. These meetings are open to all regardless of membership.

Please join us **August 19 at 6:00 pm** and let us introduce ourselves. Complimentary dinner will be served.

Best regards,
 Dyana Carlos
 OCS PTO President

Volunteers Needed

The PTO needs your help to support our school. There are many opportunities to assist.

First, you can become a member. Membership dues are included in the fund to support specific

teacher or school requests.

Second, you can attend PTO meetings on the second Thursday of each month. In addition to providing input, you will receive a credit of one volunteer hour towards your yearly commitment to the school.

Third, you can join a committee to help support that specific activity as well as build your volunteer hours.

Your involvement is needed! Thank you!