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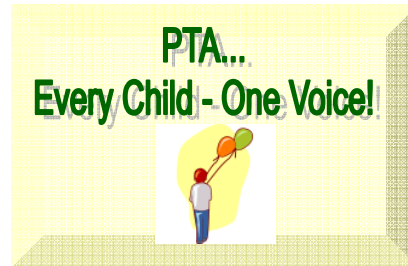
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Recognition

I'm sure that most of you know that Peggy Bauer has served as the Chase Elementary PTA President for the past 4 years. During her tenure, Peggy has spent endless hours promoting a culture within Chase Elementary that supports child enrichment as well as the orchestration of several successful fundraisers (some...single-handedly!). Peggy's philosophy toward parent-teacher camaraderie and a deep commitment toward serving others is an integral part of a strong PTA...a PTA that Peggy worked endlessly to make successful. Whether it be through organizing events or just ensuring that the school sign was changed every month, the expression of Peggy's commitment is great in numbers yet she is humble in the need for recognition. The board wants to extend our thanks to her for building a solid foundation and hopes that we can be just as successful. Thanks!

President's Message



Welcome back! As Chase Elementary's new PTA President, I am very excited to return to school this year. We have an outstanding executive board who will be working hard to recruit enthusiastic volunteers who are ready to plan some exciting events for the coming year.

First, the PTA would like to give a warm welcome to our new Assistant Principal, Barbara Lewis, and wish her much success in her new endeavor at Chase Elementary. Moreover, joining us at Chase this year will be 58 new students bringing our enrollment to 300. We're so happy to have you all – WELCOME!

As stated previously, Chase is fortunate to have a PTA executive board with officers that are incredibly dedicated to our school. They've been hard at work over the summer putting fundraisers and programs in place for our children, families and teachers. With 300 students at Chase this year, we need our wonderful volunteers more than ever. Therefore, please take a moment to stop by the PTA table at **Back to School Night** on **August 21st** to learn how you can help. The PTA really needs your support!

Also planned for **Back to School Night** is the kick-off of our **2008-09 PTA Membership Drive and Ice Cream Social**. Membership dues are \$6.00 per person this year and will cover the cost of 2 entrance tickets into our **Ice Cream Social**. Additional entrance tickets can be purchased for children for \$1.00 per child.

In closing, I'd like to personally invite every parent, grandparent, caregiver, friend, faculty and staff member to join the Chase PTA this year. The PTA's national motto is Every Child – One Voice and this powerful statement emphasizes the importance of giving every child here at Chase a voice through strong PTA membership.

-Melissa Harris

Thanks!

Thanks to all of the volunteers who helped with the Ice Cream Social. We couldn't have done it without you! Moreover, thanks to *Mars Supermarket* on Eastern Avenue who provided the ice cream at a discounted price to the school.

Sneak Peak!

Some of the things planned for the school year...
 -School Cookbook
 -Yankee Candle Fundraiser
 -Spring Yard Sale
 -Much more...stay tuned for information.

Executive PTA Board Members 2008-09

Melissa Harris President	Michelle Meagher Treasurer
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Kerri Mattes 2 nd Vice President	Amy Dorn Recording Secretary

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