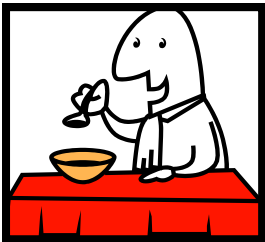


Espy PTA Newsletter

May, 2009



As of May 1st, students can no longer charge items for food service.

If your child does not have money in their account, they will be given a commodity sandwich if they do not bring their lunch. All food service charges and delinquent accounts must be cleared up before May 21st. Charges are not allowed during summer school. Funds in your child's account are available for summer school or next year. Refunds are only processed when a student withdraws from Nixa Schools for amounts above \$10. If you have any questions, please contact Espy's building cashier. Thank you.

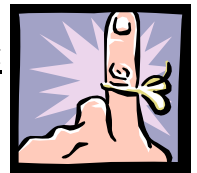
PTA - Sum It Up + + +



If you were unable to attend the April PTA meeting, important information not already written in this newsletter is summarized here:

- + An Educational Enhancement was approved for the following -\$425 for the 3rd grade to go to the Titanic Museum.; \$100 for Field Day; Up to \$100 for Presidential Challenge awards; \$400 for the 2nd grade to go to the Butterfly Palace.
- + The PTA will purchase some of the snacks for 1st –4th grade MAP testing.
- + The PTA will have representatives available during A Day in K on 4/29.

The last PTA meeting of this year is Tuesday, May 5th at 4:00 in the library.



PTA Fundraiser Winners

The PTA would like to thank all of the parents and students who sold and bought Coke products for the PTA fundraiser this year. A total of 570 cases of Coke products were sold. The PTA earned enough money to pay for a field trip for each child at Espy and cover other educational needs for our students!

The top selling classes won a Little Ceasars Pizza party. These included Mrs. Forrester's 1st grade and Mrs. Cooper's 2nd grade each selling 49 cases and Mrs. Price's 3rd grade class selling 60 cases. The top 5 selling individuals were eligible for prize drawings. Ryleigh Daum, Shelby Ritz, Madison Stowe and Jordan Jackson won a Coke pencil case w/ pencils, an electronic bank and a \$10 certificate for the Book Fair. A Dr Pepper mountain bike was donated by Coca-Cola. This was awarded to Hallie Hartwell.

All Espy students benefited from this fundraiser. The PTA thanks everyone for their time, cash donations and support!



Ryleigh Daum, Shelby Ritz, Hallie Hartwell, Madison Stowe and Jordan Jackson

MY SPACE—THE COUNSELOR

Weeks and days are quickly passing and there's no stopping. The end of the school year is rapidly approaching and once again we prepare for 4th grade to go to Inman, prepared for greater learning, and a new batch of babies coming in to learn important lessons that all have to do with self-control. In the meantime, there are a couple important items of interest: Dog tag assemblies are Monday, May 4, where students are awarded their dog tags and certificates for demonstrating Above and Beyond caring character. Everyone is invited. The schedule is as follows:

- a. 9 – 9:30, 1st grade
- b. 9:45 – 10:15, 3rd grade
- c. 1 – 1:30, 4th grade
- d. 1:45 – 2:15, 2nd grade
- e. 2:30 – 3, Kindergarten

Next, I would like to identify 10 extraordinary individuals who have demonstrated Above and Beyond character 5 years in a row: Jane Oestrich, Dusty Middleton, Olivia Ramsey, Nash Thompson, Mitchell Dent, Zack Zwingle, Jason Norton, Demi Plank, Jordan Hill, and Morgan Harris. These individuals have set the bar each and every year, have been key to creating a school where teaching and learning happens, and have been fun to be around. Their contribution will be missed at Espy, but will be greatly appreciated at Inman.

Thank You!
Malinda Reagan



PTA Volunteers Needed Next Year



The purposes of the Espy PTA are the following: 1. To promote the welfare of children; 2. Raise the standards of home life; 3. Secure adequate laws for the protection of children; 4. Promote a closer relationship between home and school; and 5. Unite the efforts of educators and the general public in educating children in all aspects of life.

Please help Espy PTA fulfill these purposes by competing your 2009-2010 Volunteer Sign Up form and returning it to school with your child by May 1st.

Signing up now as a committee member volunteer or a co-chair will allow the PTA officers to prepare for next year prior to the start of school on August 19th. If you need an additional Volunteer Sign Up form, please tell your child's teacher and one will be sent to you. Thank you for all of your help!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT ***THANK YOU***

I would like to personally thank all of the wonderful parents of Espy that helped make Family Fun Night a success this year. To all of the volunteers that helped out: Thank you so much! This monthly event wouldn't be possible without you and all of your hard work!

Thanks again,
Amanda Sewald

If you are interested in co-chairing or helping with Family Fun Night next school year, please fill out the information on the PTA Volunteer form that was sent home and send it back to the school.



Espy Field Day is **Friday, May 8th**. **Be sure to put sun screen on your child before coming to school!** Please contact Sharon Thompson if you are able to volunteer to help.

Do you have information you would like to see in the Espy PTA newsletter?

Contact Amy Koenigsfeld at Koenigsfeld@starband.net or call 830-9748.

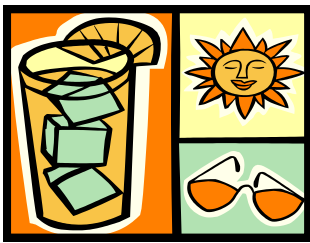
All information should be submitted by the 15th of the month. Thank you!

Espy PTA

You may view the Espy PTA newsletter and calendar on the web by logging on to www.NixaChamber.com and clicking on 'Downloads'.

<u>Summer Birthdays</u>	
Ms. Michel	- 5/4
Ms. Savvenas	- 6/4
Ms. Wenger	- 6/24
Ms. Perry	- 6/28
Ms. Nicoll	- 7/1
Ms. Glaser	- 7/15
Ms. Forrester	- 7/16
Ms. Beets	- 7/19
Ms. Summers	- 8/1
Ms. Lunceford	- 8/7
Ms. Semmelbeck	- 8/18
Ms. Watson	- 8/18
Ms. Chastain	- 8/25
Ms. Reagan	- 8/29

I've enjoyed writing the Espy newsletter the past 2 years. With the time commitment of being PTA President next year, I am unable to continue. If you have email and are willing to assist with this task, please contact me or sign up on the PTA Volunteer form. Thank you!
Amy Koenigsfeld



Espy Parents, Teachers and students,

Thanks for a great year! Have a wonderful summer!

Mykie Nash, Amy Koenigsfeld, Heather Flood, Sherry Potts, Leslie Dent, Mea Childers and Erin Sanders (08-09 PTA Officers)

FUN RUN on May 16th

The Nixa School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) will sponsor a 5K Family Fun Run at Nixa High School on May 16, re-scheduled after the NIXPO run was cancelled.

Registration will be from 8-8:45 a.m. at the football stadium and the event will start at 9 a.m. There is no cost to participate; however, a limited number of t-shirts will be available for \$5 each. There will also be a drawing for a Nintendo Wii prior to the race. The first 100 registrants who purchase a t-shirt will be entered in the drawing.

The 3.1 mile course runs through nearby neighborhoods. This non-competitive community event is intended to draw attention to the importance of a healthy lifestyle. Health research shows people in America need more fitness and fun in their lives.

The SHAC committee would like you to "come walk, jog, run, ride a bike or push a stroller with us for this family, non-competitive event. Challenge your friends to participate!" For additional information contact SHAC chairman Kevin Kopp at 724-3800.