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Welcome

Hello Families!

We hope everyone has enjoyed their first week of school and is starting to get settled in. It sounds like there are a lot fun things happening in the classrooms as our children learn and grow.

Have you noticed our new look of our newsletters and website? Thank you to Joanie MacRaild for giving our newsletter a new look and thank you to Michele Abraham for sprucing up our website and making it easier to navigate. Thank you ladies!

We would like to remind you of our annual Back to School Bash taking place on August 25th, from 6-8. This event will be held at the school and is open to families attending Highland Drive Elementary. Details of the event can be found below.

We will have tables at our Back to School Bash on-site offered as a convenient way to get all of your registrations done at one time. We will have PSO membership, and our Heinen's and Giant Eagle partnership registration available as well. For those of you who are unaware, both Heinen's and Giant Eagle offer educational programs tying in purchases to an

Important Dates**8/22 Tissues and Tea****8/25 Back to School Bash****9/9 Elementary Tail Gating Night****Quick Links**[Facebook Page](#)[Flyer Central](#)[PSO website](#)[Lunch Menu](#)

individual's frequent shopper card. When the registered shopper uses their card at the check-out line, a percentage of the sales are given back to the designated school. This is an effortless way to earn money for the school. If you are not registered, you can do that at the courtesy counters at the stores or on-line at the links below. In the past, these programs have helped to fund playground improvements, classroom supplemental items and more. Leslie FitzSimmons is our Committee Chairperson this year for these partnerships and she will be passing along information related to these programs. Please see details below.

Also, if someone in your family is not receiving our newsletter or if someone would like to be added to our e-mail distribution, here is the link to do so is [HERE](#)

We hope you will be able to join us on Thursday for our Back to School Bash, and we will keep you updated on upcoming activities, events and opportunities.

Thank you,
Rachelle Reusser and Jill Gerber
PSO Co-Presidents

Attn Kindergarten Parents: Tissues and Tea

If you need a little sympathy as your child comes to school this year, please consider stopping in for "Tissues and Tea" as the school day begins on Monday, August 22. Please meet us at Highland Dr school from 9:15-10am in the STEAM room. We can provide a shoulder, tissues and tea or coffee for anyone who needs a little support.

Back To School Bash

Please join us for Highland Drive's Back-to-School Bash this Thursday August 25th from 6-8pm!
The Highland Drive PSO would like to welcome new and returning families back to school!
Bring the whole family for this get together - Learn more about the PSO, upcoming school events/programs and volunteer opportunities. Families can also enjoy music, crafts and ice cream together! A specialty hot dog food truck will be at the back to school bash for parents to purchase food for their families. We will also have a silent auction where you can bid on Principal for a Day, be Halloween Parade Leader and much more! Please join us while we celebrate the start of a new school year - Let's make it great!

Giant Eagle and Heinens School Program

Register your grocery store cards & earn money for our school every time you shop!

Visit www.heinens.com/rewards to register your Heinen's Tasteful Rewardscard or to add Highland

Drive Elementary to your account. And, visit the Heinen's table at the Back to School Bash (8/25 6-8pm) to register your card and enter for a chance to win a Heinen's gift card! PLEASE NOTE: Even if you registered your card in the past, you must re-register at the start of every school year.

For details on how to register or update your Giant Eagle Advantage card account, please visit <http://www.highlanddrivepsa.com/giant-eagle.html>

PLEASE NOTE: If you have registered your card and selected Highland Drive in the past, you do NOT need to re-register.

PSO Membership

The annual PSO membership drive is underway! Join PSO each year to stay informed about school events and activities and be part of a network of involved parents. Your PSO dues support fun, educational programs for students this school year such as:

- COSI on Wheels
- Class field trips
- Cultural arts
- Technology (iPads & Netbooks for classrooms)

2016/17 dues are \$5 Single, \$10 Family. Click [here](#) to print the form. Contact [Susie Patton](#) with questions.

Staff Appreciation Committee

The Welcome Back breakfast for our hard working staff is next Thursday, August 25th. There are still a few items needed! Please sign up to bring something on the sign up form. The link to sign up is [here](#)

Highland Dr Spirit Wear

Kids love to be in the Highland spirit, so buy spirit wear before it is all sold out! There is a brand new design of t-shirts for this school year. It is selling for just \$12. We will be selling the t-shirts at the Back to School Bash on 8/25. But if you would like to order a t-shirt before they are all sold out you can complete the form [HERE](#). Bee in the spirit!



Brickz 4 Kidz

Bricks 4 Kidz will offer an after-school Lego enrichment club on Thursdays from 3:45-4:45. The first session will begin on Thursday, September 1st. There will be a fall session, winter session and spring session. Bricks 4 Kidz is open to all students grades K-3. For more information and to register, visit www.brickz4kidz.com/medina

Highland Cafeteria Parent Volunteers are Needed

Please consider volunteering your time to help out in the Highland cafeteria at lunchtime. We are looking for people who can help children with opening things in their lunches, cleaning up tables, and generally keeping things calm and organized. Kindergarteners start Monday Aug 22nd and may need extra help opening lunches especially the first few weeks. Siblings are welcome to join. Sign up [HERE](#) to volunteer! thanks!

Contact Mikaela Uhlman at mikaelauhlman@gmail.com with any questions.

Box Tops For Education

Support the Box Tops for Education program this year by clipping labels, saving them, and sending them back to school!!! Each clip earns 10 cents. Last year, those labels added up to almost \$1800.00!!! With this money, we can provide the students and staff of Highland Drive with technology, funding for field trip expenses and educational programming and more. Our first contest will start shortly (early September). Students will be able to earn both individual and classroom prizes throughout the year. If you have neighbors, friends, and family who are willing to clip and save, as well, that would be awesome!!! We strongly encourage you to build a network of clippers!!! For a more detailed description of the program, including a list of participating products, check out the PSO website.

For a complete list of eligible products in the Box Tops for Education program, click [here](#)

SAVE THE DATE: Elementary Football Night Tail Gate Party

Come join us at our annual Elementary Football Night Tailgate Party on Friday, September 9th 5:30-7pm on the field behind the Middle School near the football stadium. Come visit with all your friends from each district elementary school, then head to the football game to cheer on the Bees! More details to come soon.

Sincerely,

Highland Drive PSO

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