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Welcome Back to School!!

Message from the President,

Marcend Coney

I, along with the PTA Board, am looking forward to having a great 2012-2013 school year. I am both grateful and excited to be returning as the PTA president. Last year, the Legacy Project provided one SMART Board and two Promethean Boards to three classroom teachers. The PTA was also able to cover the cost of the Character Education Program and the FCAT t-shirts given to all 3-5th grade students. Additionally, we were able to cover the cost of all the agendas used by grades 3-5 along with all the communicators used by grades K-2 for this upcoming school year. This is your PTA and our success depends on you. Let's make it another great year!!

Membership Information

Envelopes will be provided to your child's teacher to join the PTA the night of open house which will be set in early September. We are pleased to report we met our membership goals for last year and are hoping to exceed those this year. With that said, our goal is to have 75% membership from our parents and 100% membership from our teachers/staff. Please complete your envelope with the \$6 dues and return it to your child's teacher. We appreciate your support!

This year's membership card will require you to go to the website, listed on your card, in order to activate the discounts and benefits that you will receive being a member of the National and State PTA as well as a member of ABE's PTA. We will provide assistance to you, as this is a new step not only for us, but for all schools in the district.

Legacy Project

Due to the success of this project last year, the PTA would like to make this a focus this year as well. There are many teachers still without SMART boards, which are such an asset to our students. So, our focus will be to continue to raise funds to purchase additional boards for our teachers. We thank all the parents, students, and staff members in advance for their continued support in raising these funds!!!

Shade Structure Grant

The timeline for this grant is to have construction completed by December of this year. We will continue to raise the \$10,000. We are grateful for the immense support of the cap/visor fundraiser in the spring. It was a huge success!!

Fundraising

United Catalog Sale will begin on August 24th and run through September 10th. This is our first fundraiser of the year with a new company, and we are hoping that it will be well received.

Pizza Sales will be every Wednesday after school. Presales will be done for the preschool through first graders and be delivered to their classrooms, prior to dismissal. Pizza is \$1 per slice; Caprisuns and bottled water are \$1.

Science Boards will be available again this year. Both white and colored boards will be available. Sales should begin in mid-September.

Kindergarten Composition Books

The PTA is selling them for \$3, which is at cost. The teachers are asking that each student have two books. They will be available in the Magnet Office.

PTA Funds

Currently in the General Account there is \$ 2,919.26.

Opening PTA General Meeting

The first General Meeting of the 2012 school year will be held the night of Open House, which will be in the beginning of September beginning at 6 pm. We will let you know the date, once it is known. At this time, you will meet the Board members, have the opportunity to vote on the annual budget and hear the annual goals of the PTA.

PTA E-Mail Address

It is airbaseelementarypta@yahoo.com. It is also posted on the ABE Website along with the roster of the current Board members.

Volunteer Recruitment Coffee

Please join us Wednesday, September 12th at 8:45 am in the Media Center for the Volunteer Recruitment Meeting. We will provide a continental breakfast. This is an opportunity for us to get to know you better and describe the various ways in which you can volunteer and support ABE, the PTA, and of course your child. We look forward to seeing you there!