



Mustang Express

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Franconia PTA Newsletter

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Another Successful School Year!

The PTA plays an important role in supporting Franconia's students and teachers. Thanks to all who supported the PTA and school this year by attending an event, participating in a fundraiser, volunteering at the school, or donating money to the PTA. The PTA was able to purchase 1 SMARTboard, language arts assessment materials for grades 3-6, and a popcorn machine. The popcorn machine will be used by the school for class awards and by the PTA at many future PTA events. The PTA was also able to provide funds for professional development, funds to offset field trip costs, and funds for the PTA lunch card. Thank you for all of your support this year!

2009-2010 PTA Board Elected

The 2009-2010 board was elected on June 2nd. Please congratulate the following parents.

President	Beth Krause
Vice President	Carylin Waterval
Treasurer	Mary Jane Alves
Recording Secretary	TBD

A volunteer is still needed for Recording Secretary. The Recording Secretary must attend each PTA meeting and take minutes. Minutes must be presented at the following meeting. This position can be co-chaired. Contact Beth Krause if interested.

Upcoming PTA Events

Mark your calendars for these events!

August 3 First Day of School

September 1 Back to School Picnic

FLEX Class Registration will begin in August

The Foreign Language Experience (FLEX) Spanish and French classes were a big hit at Franconia this year! Spanish and French FLEX classes will begin again in September and run for 30 weeks. Look for registration information in August.

PTA Board 2008-2009

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Volunteers are Needed for 09/10 School Year

Our volunteers make all of our PTA programs successful. Without our volunteers, PTA programs would not be possible. We would like to obtain commitment now for PTA volunteer positions for the next school year. You may have seen our full list of committee chairpersons in our April PTA newsletter. Please consider taking the lead and volunteer in one of these positions. You will find it a rewarding experience. Many coordinators can do 80% of preparation from home! Without a committee chairperson, fundraisers and events will not take place.

We are currently seeking the following chairpersons. Please contact Beth Krause or Carylin Waterval if you are interested.

Audit Committee	3 volunteers are needed to perform the annual review of the PTA books to ensure accurate bookkeeping and issue a report.	Audit must take place June-July, 4 hours
Back to School Picnic	Coordinate the Back to School Picnic in September. Schedule and coordinate the logistics of the event to include food, moon bounces, and bake sale. Determine volunteer requirements.	Begin planning beginning of school year, 5 - 8 hours.
Basket Bingo	Coordinate the Basket Bingo Night to take place in February/March. Schedule and coordinate the logistics of the event to include gathering prize baskets, arranging for sale of food/beverages, determine volunteer requirements and soliciting 3 - 5 committee members.	Begin planning 6 - 8 weeks prior to event, 10-20 hours.
Fall Fundraiser	Coordinates the fall fundraiser, the biggest PTA fundraiser of the year. Coordinate distribution and collection of the sale information to students. Coordinate with the outside vendor to: create flyers, create the incentive plan, tally and confirm orders. Coordinate distribution of the orders to students. Solicit volunteers as needed to assist.	August - November; 15-25 hours
Newsletter Editor	Coordinate the preparation and distribution of the monthly PTA newsletter. Requires coordination with PTA board/Committee Chairpersons to gather articles to include in the newsletter. Experience with desktop publishing is helpful.	2 hours monthly
Restaurant/School Spirit Nights	Schedule restaurant nights with local restaurants. Prepare flyers and promote event through school newsletter.	Quarterly, 1 - 2 hours.

New Fall Fundraiser

We are excited to announce the fall fundraiser will be Lavender's. Lavender's is a 30-year old family owned business. Lavender's was chosen because of the wide variety of items available in their catalog. Some of the products include Fresh Balsam Wreaths, coffee, kitchen tools, candy, magazines, flower bulbs, create-a-memory keepsake gifts, calendars, and American Greetings gift wrap. Brochures will go home in August. If you would like to coordinate the fall fundraiser, please contact Beth Krause or Carylin Waterval.

Have a Safe and Relaxing Summer!

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