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OAK HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

# The Wolf Pack



BACK TO SCHOOL SPECIAL EDITION

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**September**

- 9/10 Volunteer Orientation, 6:30 p.m. - Cafeteria (details & add'l dates on page 2)
  - 9/10 PTA Meeting, 7:00 p.m. - Cafeteria
  - 9/15 & 17 Back to School Nights See details in box at right
  - 9/23 Principals' Coffee 9:00 a.m. - Cafeteria
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## Principal's Corner

Welcome back to school! I hope that you and your families have enjoyed a wonderful summer and are rejuvenated and ready for the 2009-10 school year.

I am proud and excited to share that our students achieved outstanding results on the spring 2009 end of year assessments including the Standards of Learning. 97% of all students in grades 3-6 passed the math tests, and 98.5 % passed the reading tests with a **100% pass rate at 4<sup>th</sup> grade!!!**. Wow! There are many more amazing scores to highlight. Be sure to look for additional information on our website: [www.fcps.edu/OakHillES](http://www.fcps.edu/OakHillES).

There are many links to stay current with classroom instruction and school events on the Oak Hill website. This year I have added a new feature to highlight exciting happenings at Oak Hill.

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## New School Hours

	Pre-School AM	Pre-School PM	PAC	Kindergarten AM	Kindergarten PM	Grades 1-6
Monday	9:00 – 11:00	11:00 – 1:00	9:00 – 1:00	8:35 – 10:50	10:55 – 1:05	8:35 – 1:05
Tues – Fri	9:00 – 12:15	12:15 – 3:30	9:00 – 3:30	8:35 – 11:50	11:55 – 3:10	8:35 – 3:10

## PTA Meetings

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**YOU** are invited! Join us on September 10!

All parents who are members of the PTA – or considering becoming members – are invited to attend PTA meetings. Teachers, you are welcome too! Our first meeting is Thursday, September 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the Oak Hill cafeteria. Please join us for a chance to learn about upcoming PTA and school events and programs.

## PTA President's Note

Welcome back after the summer! I'd especially like to welcome those families who are new to Oak Hill Elementary. We as a community are glad you're here! I invite you to join the PTA, support our Pledge Membership drive, and get involved. The pledge is our primary fundraiser, and with your pledge you'll have your choice of a free PTA-sponsored event this year. Be sure to look for the membership form in your Friday Folder for all the details.

I'd also like to invite all parents to "Lend a Paw" at Oak Hill. At your child's Back to School Night, you'll have the opportunity to complete a paw detailing your plans to be involved in the school. The paws will be displayed at school to remind the students that their parents are committed to education in general and Oak Hill in particular. Following through on your commitment sets a great example of accountability to the students.

If you have ideas, concerns, or suggestions, please let me know. I look forward to meeting you!

Kathryn Pearlman

## Back to School Nights



- September 15**  
Back to School Night for K-3  
K (p.m.) & 3rd grade 6:00—7:00  
1st grade—6:45—7:45 p.m.  
2nd grade: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- September 17**  
Back to School Night for K & 4-6  
K (a.m.) & 4th grade: 6:00 - 7:00  
5th grade: 6:45 - 7:45 p.m.  
6th grade: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

# Fall 2009 Events Calendar\*

## October

- 10/12 Columbus Day—no school
- 10/13 - 16 Field Day
- 10/13 Welcome Reception for parents new to Oak Hill  
6:30 - 7:00 pm
- 10/13 PTA Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 10/17 Fall Festival, 2-5 pm  
AND  
Flu Clinic (6 months & older, watch your KIT messages for more info)
- 10/22 Fall Pictures

## November

- 11/2 & 11/3 Student Holidays/Parent - Teacher Conferences
- 11/6 5th Grade Medieval Day
- 11/11 PTA Meeting, 8:45 am
- 11/13 Family Dance, 7-9pm
- 11/25 Early Dismissal
- 11/26 - 27 Thanksgiving Holiday

\*Dates and activities are subject to change.

# Principal's Corner, cont.

Look for regular updates and pictures to be posted on the Oak Hill *Principal's Blog*. Another link on the website is for *Keep in Touch*. By activating a KIT account and customizing the options for Oak Hill, you will receive timely emails with information about school and PTA events. Another wonderful tool is *FCPS 24-7*. All teachers have accounts for their classes and will post current assignments and important class information there as well.

Again this year, Ms. Sledge and I will be hosting quarterly principals' coffees on various topics. The first coffee will be held on **September 23 at 9:00 a.m.** in the cafeteria. This month we will be welcoming families new to Oak Hill. We hope you will join us.

Looking forward to an outstanding year!

Amy Goodloe

## Volunteer Requirements

Want to chaperone field trips? Help out at a class party? We'd love to have your help. To protect students and staff, all volunteers are required to attend a volunteer orientation program at Oak Hill (see box at right for dates).

### Volunteer Orientation Dates

**September 10**  
6:30 p.m. - Cafeteria  
(before PTA meeting)

**September 15 & 17**  
7:00 p.m. each night  
Location TBD  
(during Back to School Night)

**September 23**  
8:45 a.m.- Library  
(before the Principals' Coffee)

## Immediate Volunteer Needs



**CAFETERIA HELPERS** are needed to aid first and second graders in getting through the line and to their tables at lunch. If you can volunteer, please contact **Phyllis Sledge** at [phyllis.sledge@fcps.edu](mailto:phyllis.sledge@fcps.edu) or **Diana Martin** at [buttonsmm@verizon.net](mailto:buttonsmm@verizon.net)

**FALL FESTIVAL** planning is under way, but the planning committee could use a few extra hands. We have small tasks that can be done completely on your own schedule, and we could use people willing to be responsible for specific activities at the festival. Please contact PTA Fall Festival Chair **Luciana Bravo** at [luchesta@hotmail.com](mailto:luchesta@hotmail.com) if you'd like to participate in this fun event.

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS:** The PTA needs organizers and leaders for a number of activities and events. If we are unable to get chairs for these programs, we will have to cancel them! To the right is a list of the programs that need chairs *immediately*. Afraid it's too much of a commitment? Draft a friend and co-chair! Please contact PTA President **Kathryn Pearlman** at [president@oakhillpta.org](mailto:president@oakhillpta.org) if you want more information about or are considering one of these positions.

**BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT**— Volunteers to provide child care in the gym on an evening during a time that you won't be visiting your child's classroom. Please contact the office to help

### OPEN CHAIRS:

- Coordinate Summer Enrichment Camps  
Lead by Oak Hill Teachers
- Bingo & Game Night
- Marquee
- Staff Valentine's Breakfast
- Chess Club
- Retirement Reception
- Jr. Great Books
- Special Education Liason
- Original Works
- Juice Pouch Recycling
- Odyssey of the Mind
- PTA Photographer
- Gardening/Outdoor Classroom