

CAIN ELEMENTARY 2009 PTO

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WELCOME BACK TO OUR EXEMPLARY SCHOOL!

Hello my Cain Elementary Friends!

Whew! What a fabulously crazy start to our 2009-2010 school year! Our PTO has been busy, busy, busy, and I couldn't be more proud of all of our volunteers and the hard work that they are doing. Here's just a small snapshot of all of the activities.....Box Top Contest, NEW Capri Sun pouch collection, Hospitality Goodies for our wonderful staff, Cain Cool Cats T-shirts, Room Representatives preparing for fun-filled class parties, and, of course, CARNIVAL - and all of these memories are being captured by our Yearbook representative!! If you are not a part of this outstanding organization, then complete your Membership form right now!!! We do have a place for you - it's not too late - and we welcome fun, hardworking individuals with great, innovative ideas. If you fit this description, and I know you do, contact me immediately and we will get you to work helping to support our sensational students and staff.



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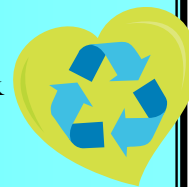
I hope that your year is off to a fantastic start! Mine has been but I do wish it would slow down a bit! Oh well, that's life and what a wonderful life it is!

Stephanie Moore

Look for PTO info at
www.whitehouseisd.org!

Pouch Brigades

Collect empty Capri Sun or Kool-Aid drink pouches!



A donation box is set up in the cafeteria.

Your child's class may win a treat if their class collects the most pouches!

Our Goal is to earn \$500 to spend on items for our kids at Cain!

Pouches are worth 2 cents each

WINNER'S CORNER



Congrats to all the parents and teachers who won door prizes at the first PTO meeting of the year!

MOST PTO MEMBERSHIPS!!

The class that had the most PTO memberships was Ms. Mitchell's 1st grade class.

Congratulations. You have won a visit from the Creature Teacher.



The BOOK FAIR is coming to Cain November 2-6th!

Look for more information this month.



PTO MEETING



PTO Pres., Stephanie

GREAT SINGING, FOURTH GRADE! YOU ROCK!

Thanks to all those in attendance. We appreciate your help in making this year a success for all.

Thank you for your willingness to serve our children and teachers. - PTO Board

Box Tops



Our box tops goal was exceeded last year from a goal of \$1300 to actual \$1400. Tether ball poles were purchased for the playground and there is still money left over to buy more equipment for the playground. Our goal this year is \$1800!

Box Top Contest

VIP Wildcat Package October 30th Activities

- 4 tickets to WH vs. Nac Football Game
- Dinner for 4 at "Road Kill Grill" Tailgate Party
- Wildcat Warm-up with Football Team or Cheerleaders
- Willy Time—1st Quarter with Willy the Wildcat on the Track
- Spirit Sack—Wildcat Family Goody Bag

Fill up a collection sheet (25 tops) and turn it in before Oct 23 to get entered for the drawing! One lucky winner will be drawn on Monday the 26th.



Parents, go online to www.boxtops4education.com and register to use online shopping that will earn our school money. There are competitions online that earn extra box tops. You will also find printable coupons and collection sheets.

Want to see your child and their class in the yearbook more?

I can use your help! If you are at the school taking pictures for party days or special events share them with me. I will pick and choose some for the yearbook.

Our website is www.myyear.com; in the lower right hand corner, in a very small print of the opening page, click on photo upload. Accept the terms, click next, enter 021997 and you will be able to download up to 5 pictures at a time. In the caption area let me know the teacher's name that the students belong to.

Be watching for information on purchasing a yearbook in the near future.

Cain Academy

Cain is trying a new incentive program this year with our 4th graders.

It is CAIN ACADEMY!

This will be every 6 weeks for those 4th graders who passed ALL of their benchmark exams with an 85 or higher. These students will go to three 30 minute rotations involving different activities such as art, kickboxing, or dancing. What an exciting opportunity! Get to studying, 4th graders!!



If there is anyone who has a skill or hobby they would like to share with this program, please contact Lisa Love at jljs4@msn.com.



NOTES FROM THE NURSE

A few little reminders/updates:

- Please bring any medications directly to the nurse office so that the appropriate forms may be completed and signed.
- No medicines may be sent in backpacks without prior approval.
- Prescription medications must be in their original, labeled containers.
- Notify the office when your child is absent from school. The state of Texas is tracking flu trends, please give us the reason your child is absent.
- If your child has fever, monitor them at home until they have been free of fever for at least 24 hours without fever-reducing medications. This will help prevent the spread of infection to other children and will ensure that your child feels his/her best upon returning to the classroom.
- As a state requirement, all students with the exception of 2nd and 4th grade, must have their vision & hearing screened. If your child has any problems, I will notify you. Please be sure your child has his/her glasses if they are prescribed.
- Head lice is a very common childhood nuisance! It can be costly to treat & very time-consuming. To prevent any spread, please discuss with your children the importance of NOT sharing combs/brushes, clothing, or hats.
- We encourage everyone to cover their coughs/sneezes with a tissue or by doing so with their arm (not hands) & to keep hands away from nose, eyes, & mouth. Good hand washing is the #1 way to prevent the spread of infections.
- Visit <http://flu.gov/plan/school/schoolguidance.html> or <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/immunize/flu.shtm> for the latest updates on flu prevention and current recommendations regarding the H1N1 flu virus.

Please contact me or stop by my office for any questions or concerns. Thank you, *Jonna Hightower, RN*

Dear Cain Families,

This school year has brought several new faces to Cain and many known faces back to Cain! We welcome our new PK-K families and other new families into our zone. We are delighted to have familiar faces back in the building too.

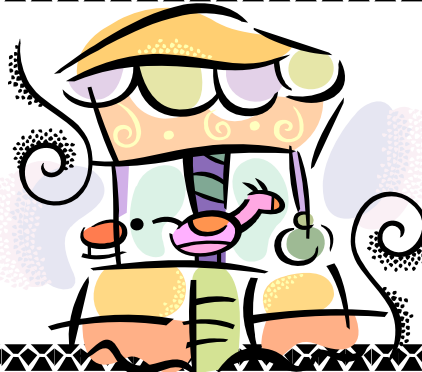
Many of you have asked and signed up to volunteer through PTO and through your child's homeroom. Those parents who are able to volunteer are priceless to their children's teachers. We thank you so much! If you are unable to volunteer your time during the day, there are other ways to support your child's classroom and PTO that are equally important: paying your \$5.00 per family membership dues, helping at the fall carnival, collecting Box Tops, collecting Capri Sun juice pouches, buying a yearbook, sending goodies to your child's classroom, sending goodies for the teachers on various occasions, joining a committee, etc.

We are looking forward to having another great year here at Cain. You know our school is only as good as our teachers, staff, students and parents. I commend you on being exemplary parents who are providing us with exemplary students!

Sincerely, Sherri Randall, Principal



Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers & attendees who helped make the first Cain Carnival a big success! We could not have done it



without all of your time and efforts!

Sincerely, Jamie Metcalf & Heather Linscott, Carnival Co-Chairs and Stephanie Moore - PTO President



CAIN COOL CAT T-SHIRTS

Buy one today and show your school spirit! Get yours before they're gone!

Originally \$10.

Reduced Price \$6.00

(while supply lasts)

Send money to school in an envelope marked "Cain PTO T-shirts". Checks made out to Cain PTO. Questions? Contact Karen Orlowski 903-839-8357 or Lisa Love 903-839-3153.

Attendance is VIP!

1. Tardy bell rings @ 8:05.
2. Call if your child is out for any reason or send a note/Dr. excuse on return.
3. Send a Dr's note for or more consecutive days absent.
4. School does not dismiss until 3:00pm.
5. If a student is absent without excuse from school on ten or more days or parts of days within a six month period, or three or more days or parts of days within a four-week period, this could result in referral to our district truancy officer.