

Welcome back to school!

I would like to express my appreciation to all of you who have signed up to fill various positions or to help with specific events this year, and to the many volunteers who have done so much already! Special thanks go to Claudia Celestial for arranging the class schedule distribution days and for all her work organizing the annual New Student Orientation Barbecue. Everyone enjoyed themselves at the Barbecue and found the Orientation with Mr. Lubs and Ms. Devore very interesting and informative. In addition, I would like to thank Claudia, Cheri Bonilla, Lisa Frei, and Tammy Long for stamping our school's numerous new science textbooks. Finally, thank you to everyone who brought the delicious breakfast items on the first day, and especially to Lorena Kramer for coordinating this traditional Back to School Breakfast!



As PTSA members, we look forward to once again strongly supporting our wonderful teachers, administration and, of course, our Bulldog students with the many activities that contribute to El Segundo Middle School's success!

Please join us on September 16th for our first PTSA meeting of the year!

Sincerely,

Brenda Colbert
PTSA President

Please continue to read as there are numerous very important messages.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

Workroom volunteers are needed to help the teachers by copying tests and materials for the classroom. Any amount of time you could dedicate during school hours would be appreciated. Experience is not necessary, as training on the machines will be provided.

Ball volunteers are needed to pass out balls to students during lunch time, which is 12:22-12:52 Tuesday through Thursday, and 11:32-12:02 on Mondays.

If you are interested in helping, or need more information, please contact Claudia Celestial at cacestial@earthlink.net or 310-322-0633. Thank you!

Parents On Campus

Your presence DOES make a difference!

Daily, weekly, or once a month
volunteering during lunch
will help our school so very much!

Contact Iris Gee to sign up iris@geefamily.net or 310-322-9525

Mark Your Calendar to Help the Bulldogs!

For the 2008-2009 school year, we need your support for our annual fundraiser **more than ever before.** The Bulldogs will again be selling Signature Fundraising products, and this year the value will be even greater, because the prices are lower than last year!

The money raised by this sale helps fund field trips, special assemblies, and other necessities for our children. Last year, this event raised over \$18,000 – all of which was spent on enriching our children's education. We can make a difference!



Dates to Remember:

Selling Dates: September 11 to September 29, 2008

Turn in \$ and forms: Monday, September 29th

Delivery of product: October 15th

Thank you for your help and support!

Bulldog Spirit Wear

Order forms for ESMS Spirit Wear were handed out along with student schedules. Parents of 6th graders were likely to be handed one at the BBQ. However, if your 7th and 8th graders picked up his/her own schedule, you may not have gotten this blue colored flyer/order form. Extra copies are available at the office.

T-shirts, polo-style shirts, crew sweatshirts, and sweatpants are available to order. New this year is a zip-front, hooded sweatshirt. Completed order forms and checks payable to "ESMS-PTSA" are due to the school office by Friday, September 12th. If this deadline is missed, the next bulk order will be placed in January 2009.



Spirit Wear items will be delivered to your child's homeroom in 3-4 weeks after the due date. Please make note of this and ask your student to tell you when they've received their Spirit Wear.

If you have any questions, you can contact Sharon Steele at RS053092@aol.com or (310)640-9056.

COTILLION SIGN UPS

If your student could use a little refresher on their social skills, then our after school Cotillion program is the class for you!

We are still registering boys for Cotillion this year. Our class is filled for girls during the 2008-2009 season, but you can have your name added to our wait list. Remind your students, this is a privilege not a punishment.

We will be meeting once a month on Fridays from 3 to 4:20 pm. Our first class will be on Friday, October 10.

For more information, please contact Aleta Pottenger at 1.310.524.0040 or email at escotillion@sbcglobal.net www.freewebs.com/cotillionelsegundo

