



2009-2010 PTA

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www.lisd.net/schools/huffines/



HUSKY PTA NEWS

A NOTE FROM THE PTA PRESIDENT

Dear Huffines Middle School Families,

The 2nd six weeks have come to an end and the holidays are coming up fast. As we break for the week long Thanksgiving holiday, the Huffines PTA would like to thank all of you for your support of our children's school. It is through your membership dues, donations, and volunteer hours that we have been able to continue doing numerous programs at Huffines. We could not accomplish these programs without your support. One of our most popular programs with the students is the Top Dog awards. This is a program we do every six weeks for those students that earn the A honor roll, AB honor roll, or the Top Dog award which is earned through good citizenship and completing their work on time. The last six weeks we provided a snack treat to 581 Top Dog students, 369 AB honor roll students, and 116 A honor roll students.

We also received many wonderful Reflection entries. The theme this year was "Beauty is..." and the students did some amazing works of art, photography, literature, and music that related to the theme. The entries will be on display in the HMS library through the first week in December.

The Geography Bee will be on December 9th and the Spelling Bee will take place in January. PTA will be hosting a breakfast for both events for all those that participate and their parents. Career Day, Open House, UIL, 5th Grade Parent Night Welcome, 8th Grade Parent info on High School, and many other events are on the horizon. Please check the school website and be on the lookout for emails for more information as the dates for these events arrive. Through your continued support we can make all of these important events possible.

On behalf of the Huffines Middle School PTA board I would like to wish you all a safe and Happy Holiday.

Sincerely,
Kelly Woelke
President
Huffines Middle School PTA

Huffines Canned Food Drive:

Each year there are many families in our community that wonder how they will obtain the food they need in order to feed their family. This year has been even more difficult on our community with additional families needing assistance due to job loss. As the holidays come upon us, it is important to remember the spirit of giving and hope. To help assist the many families in our community, Huffines Junior National Honor Society is sponsoring a Canned Food Drive. A competition has been set up to see which Advisory class collects the most canned goods. The winning class will win a prize. Please have your student bring non-perishable canned food items to their Advisory class from now until Thursday, December 10th.

Your generosity and compassion will be greatly appreciated by those who receive your donations and know that there are people in our community who care.



Recycle these items:

- laser cartridges
- laptops
- iPods
- inkjet cartridges
- PDA's
- video consoles
- video games
- DVDs
- digital cameras
- cell phones

Currently, the PTA redeems any brand of ink or toner cartridge at Staples and receives \$3.00 per cartridge, in reward vouchers. These vouchers are redeemed for supplies at Staples. We also collect and recycle small electronics with a local vendor. Join us in our efforts to recycle, help us conserve the planet, and raise funds for Huffines PTA.



Upcoming School Breaks

Thanksgiving Break

Off - Nov. 23rd – Nov. 27th

Winter Break - December

12:30 Release - Dec. 18th

Off - Dec. 21st - Dec. 31st

Winter Break - January

Off - Jan. 1st

12:30 Release - Jan. 14th

Off - Jan. 15th & Jan. 18th

Simple Ways to help The School Corporate Incentive Programs

Clip and save programs—The Collecting

Clip Box Tops from your favorite products. Look for the 10¢ Box Tops coupon on hundreds of your favorite products. You can find Box Tops on brands such as **Cheerios®**, **Betty Crocker®**, **Pillsbury®**, **Ziploc®**, **Kleenex®**, **Hefty®** and more! Send it in to the PTA and it will benefit the Math Department at Huffines.



You Can Make A Difference!
Save your Labels.

Labels for Education™ has been awarding free educational merchandise to schools across the U. S. for over 30 years. **Be a part of it!**
Visit <http://www.labelsforeducation.com/> for more information about this program.

Shopping programs: You shop—Students Win!



You will find a set of Albertson's community partner cards included on this paper. Scan the code and every time you shop 1% of your purchase will be donated to the school by Albertson's. Even small purchases add up.

Take this flier to Kroger, on June 1st and scan the bar code to enroll your KrogerPlus Card for the current year of the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program. Every time you shop at Kroger and use your enrolled KrogerPlus Card, Kroger will contribute a percentage of your eligible purchases to Huffines.

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Kroger cashier: Please scan customer's KrogerPlus Card at the beginning of the order, and then scan the above barcode.

The customer's Kroger Plus Card is now enrolled in the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program.

Take a moment to fill out this form with your Tom Thumb Reward Card information. You can return it to the school's office and the PTA will take care of getting your information updated, drop off the form at the Tom Thumb courtesy booth or fax it to 713-917-8006.

- Central Elementary #11389
- Degan Elementary #2035
- Valley Ridge Elementary #3327
- Huffines Middle School #5630
- LHS PTSA #10667

TOM THUMB
Good Neighbor
PROGRAM

GOOD NEIGHBOR PROGRAM DALLAS

Complete this form to link your Reward Card to the charity of your choice. You can choose to link up to three charities. Contact your charity of choice and ask if they are a member of our Good Neighbor Program or ask the Courtesy Booth for the GNP number of a particular charity. To learn about the Good Neighbor Program, go to www.tomthumb.com.

REWARD CARD NUMBER:

Don't know your card number? Call Customer Care at 1-877-723-3929.

Charity to be added to your card:

1. Charity #

2. Charity #

3. Charity #

Charity to be deleted from your card:

1. Charity #

2. Charity #

3. Charity #

APPLICANT NAME (PLEASE PRINT)

APPLICANT SIGNATURE

PHONE

DATE

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD TOM THUMB COURTESY BOOTH

OFFICE USE ONLY: STORE #

COURTESY BOOTH: SEND THIS COMPLETED FORM TO THE MAILROOM - ATTN: DATA CENTER OF ARIZONA