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## **NORTH POINT PTA NEWSLETTER**

#### North Point PTA Basics

Welcome to North Point Elementary! We are so excited for this coming year. By way of clarification, here is some basic information for you to understand: PTA- Parent Teacher Association- a non-profit, volunteer group organized at National, State, Region, and Local levels. Learn more at www.utahpta.org. This locally and nationally recognized organization is the venue in which parents and schools effectively communicate & work together for the good of the all involved in schools. Be Involved! All are welcome and encouraged to join (dues are \$6 per adult or \$11 per couple).

#### **Utah PTA Motto:**

Every Child. One Voice. Reflections Art- A PTA run program that encourages kids to participate in and learn about various art forms. Projects are judged using a yearly theme, (2013-2014 Theme is "Believe, Dream, Inspire") and may advance to compete at higher levels with entries from other schools. Entries need to fit in one of the following categories: Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts, Film/Video Production, Dance Choreography, Three-dimensional Art, & Theater. Creating art is a valuable learning experience. Look for more information and rules to come.

## Room Parent's Orientation

A meeting for those who have volunteered to help a specific teacher as a room parent. This meeting gives you opportunity to meet with the teacher to discuss his/her needs and expectations for class room helpers,

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#### PTA President

Welcome back to school! We anticipate another fantastic year of learning & growth. We invite ALL parents (Dads too) & any other adults who care about children to JOIN North Point PTA. Join EVERY year! Your donations support our local, council, region, state, & national PTA organization to advocate, educate & involve members to benefit children. Thank you for your care & support!

Utah PTA Mission Statement: Utah PTA will help every child realize his full potential and will: Advocate: Support and speak on behalf of children and youth and... Involve: Encourage positive involvement in all facets of a child's life and... Develop: Assist in developing skills to raise and protect children and youth.

The purposes of the PTA: (1) To promote the welfare of children and youth in the home, school, community, and place of worship (2) To raise the standards of home life and (3) To secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.

Have an EXTRAORDINARY year! -- Laurie Wilcox, NP PTA President 2013-2014

#### Join the PTA!



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#### Sign Up

School newsletters will be sent by email unless you request a paper copy (see inside form). To receive email information, send a request to NorthPointPTA@gmail.com or sign the list in the office. No action is needed if you already receive our emails.

#### Website

Check the school website at: northpoint.alpineschools.com

## First Wednesday

Our North Point PTA meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month at 9:30am in the Kiva.

### **Funraising**

Help us earn extra funds for our PTA when making purchases through Amazon. com. Amazon will donate to our PTA, a percentage of total purchases made through our unique amazon.com link. So, before you shop on Amazon, go to our PTA Blog (NorthPointElementaryPTA.blogspot. com) & click on the Amazon link or use this link directly (http://www.amazon.com/?\_encoding=UTF8&tag=nopopt-20). It is fast, easy, and doesn't cost you ANYTHING! Bookmark this page & share it with your family & friends. Thank you & happy shopping!

#### Join the PTA

PTA is the largest volunteer parent organization in the United States. PTA is a powerful voice for all children. Being a member shows your commitment to help PTA make a difference in the lives of the children. The PTA is responsible for organizing activities and events that benefit the children. At North Point many of the activities are organized by the PTA. Please support our children by becoming a member of the PTA, Dad's too. We will be having sign-ups at Back to School Night. It is 6\$ for one member or 11\$ for two. We're excited to have a great year this year, and with your help it'll be even greater! Wendy Stauffer

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## **WE DELIVER**

Exceptional Parents & Teacher that work together for the well-being &

Success of children, who are our LEADERS OF TOMODDOW

#### Become a Room Parent

We appreciate your willingness to help in the classroom! Sign up sheets to become a Room Parent or to volunteer in the classroom with parties or to assist the teacher will be available on Back to School night and throught the first week of school. Please talk to your individual teacher for more details. Parents willing to be a Room Parent will be invited to Room Parent Orientation with all the tools you need to succeed! Save the date for Room Parent Orientation on Thursday, Sept. 5th 3:45-4:30pm in the gym.

Thanks!

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class parties, etc. It is scheduled this year for Thursday, September 5th at 3:45 pm in the lunch room.

#### **Dads & Donuts**

We want to encourage parent involvement at school. Statistics show the more parents are involved in their child's education, the more students succeed. This program encourages Dad's specifically to come into the child's

classroom to read with them for ½ hour and enjoy donuts together. If Dad's can't make it, any other adult important to the child is welcome to come. Check the calendar for when these days are scheduled by grade level.



#### **Fundraisers**

The PTA has to hold some fundraisers in order to exist. We have a goal to hold only 1 major fundraiser per year. Our hope is that this will raise enough to fund our programs for the year that benefit all at the school. \*\*Please note that the school will hold a separate fund raiser for their needs. "Navigators Get Fit to Fund"- This is our main PTA Fundraiser. Requests were made for a 100% profit fundraiser. We will be encouraging students to train for and get sponsors for grade level fitness challenges. Look for this in the early spring. Other ongoing ways to fund our school PTA include:

- Amazon.com link earns a percentage of what you spend for our PTA through NorthPointElementaryPTA.blogspot.com
- Box Tops- Cut out & collect "Box Tops for Education"
   Coupons off of participating food packages. Bring them to the school office. These are traded in for cash that benefits the school.
- "Navigator Nights Out"- Various local restaurants donate a percentage of profits from school patron sales on a given evening to go back to the school PTA. Look for more information to come on dates and sites.
- T-shirt Sales- PTA will offer school T-shirts & Hoodies for sale.
- Classic Fun Center Skate Nights- PTA promotes healthy family relationships. We work with Classic Fun Center in Sandy and offer free admission to North Point Patrons twice per year.
   Dates included in the calendar.

#### Newsletter

A monthly circulation with valuable information; includes a message from the principal, lunch calendars, and upcoming events. To save trees and money, we send these out electronically. Don't miss this communication. Send an email to northpointpta@gmail. com to receive your copy. Hard copies will be available in the office if needed.

#### Read-A-Thon

PTA likes to support the school and student learning by sponsoring a read-a-thon annually. Details to come.

### School Play

for 5th & 6th graders- A wonderful Parent Volunteer runs a school play every year. (Usually Dec-April)

#### **Teacher Appreciation**

A week each year is set aside as teacher appreciation week where we encourage parents & students to show how much they appreciate their teacher.

#### **Emergency Buckets**

PTA Volunteers ask parents to send an emergency kit for their child to be kept in the classroom container at school through the year. These kits are meant to be available in case of an emergency situation where students need to remain at school or in the classroom beyond the usual school day.

#### **RAD Dads**

PTA has asked Dads of students to sign up & come to school during the recess hours to help monitor students as well as to enjoy being at school with their children & friends.

#### Red Ribbon Week

Anti-drug, anti-violence awareness campaign held near October. PTA may incorporate dress up days to help students enjoy participating & committing to be Drug-Free.

#### PTA Memberships

In order to join PTA, parents & teachers, pay dues of \$6 each year. Dues will mainly be collected toward the start of the school

year, but may be collected anytime through the year. We encourage all teachers/Staff to join as well as parents. These dues go to support our local, council, region, state & national PTA.

#### \*Grandparent's Day

To promote good etiquette & fun, our school invites Grandparents to join students at school for lunch and some classroom time. It is scheduled this year for?. \*School Program, not PTA.

Thank you, Laurie Wilcox, North Point PTA President, 2013-2014 dougnlaur@gmail.com 801-766-3753

## Join the PTA!

### Sign-up form below

By joining PTA EVERY YEAR, you help support important, educational, fun programs and activities at North Point Elementary!

#### PTA Sponsors

Dads & Donuts, Red Ribbon Week, Emergency Buckets, Knowledge Bowl, Teacher Appreciation, Navigator Nights-Out, Reflections, Skate Nights, School T-shirts, Read-a-thon, RAD Dads, School Newsletters, School Plays, & child Advocacy in Legislation!

### **WE DELIVER**

Exceptional Parents & Teacher that work together for the well-being &

LEADERS OF TOMORROW helps sustain the PTA programs that enrich the lives of your children here at North Point Elementary.

Also: Again this 2013-2014 school year we are holding a grade-level competition. The class in each grade level with the most memberships will earn their classroom materials right from their teacher's wish list! If you have more than one child, each of your children's classes will get credit for your membership (if you signed up during Back to School Night your membership will be counted toward the contest).

#### Deadline

Please enclose the bottom portion of this form with your dues (cash or check made to North Point PTA) in an envelope to your child's teacher on or before Friday, October 11, 2013.

#### **Donation**

Your donation of \$6 (for a single membership) or \$11 (for a couple)

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Please enclose this portion of this form with your dues (cash or check made to North Point PTA) in an envelope to your child's teacher on or before Friday, October 11, 2013.

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Trimester 1

August 20, 2013 - November 15, 2013

Trimester 2

November 18, 2013 - February 28, 2014

Trimester 3

March 3. 2014 - May 30. 2014

August 15- Professional Development August 16 & 19- Teacher Contract Days August 19 – 7\*/10\* Grade Day (optional for schools) August 20 - First Day of School

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October 14 – Professional Development November 27 - Teacher Comp. Day November 28-29 - Thanksgiving Break December 23 through January 3 - Christmas Break January 20 - Martin Luther King Day February 17 - Washington-Lincoln Day March 10 - Professional Development

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April 8 – Teacher Comp Day April 9-11 – Spring Break May 26 – Memorial Day May 30 – Last Day of School