

September 2009

Welcome Back!

# CES-PTA

## Welcome Back to School!

Welcome back to our returning students, parents, and teachers. And a HUGE welcome to our new students, parents and teachers! It is going to be another great year at CES. The new board is very excited about the events being planned this year.

We will see the return of many old favorites like Fall Carnival, Winterfest, Bingo Night and more!

As always, we welcome fresh ideas and fresh faces! Please let a board

member know, or come to a meeting, and share your vision of our PTA. We are a member run organization. Your input and assistance ensures we are doing to best to improve our school for everyone. None of our PTA sponsored events and projects would be successful without the generous support from our members. We hope to see lots of old friends this year and to make lots of new friends!

### *Announcing the new PTA website*

[WWW.COUPEVILLEPTA.ORG](http://WWW.COUPEVILLEPTA.ORG)

*We have launched a new web site.*

*We hope this site helps us communicate more effectively with our members, teachers, families, and community.*

*Please check it out and let us know what you think.*

*Also - check us out on facebook!*

September 17<sup>th</sup>  
Ice Cream Social

In the MPR during CES open house  
Sponsored by CES-PTA through  
the generous support of K'Paws

### *Coming Soon!* **Reflections Art Program**

*The Reflections Program is a National PTA and Washington State PTA cultural arts competition. Watch for more information next month!*

### 2009-2010 PTA Board

#### President

Amanda Rice

#### Vice-President

Jenny Carroll

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#### Secretary

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*Our Mission is to enhance the learning experience of our children at school, at home, and in the community.*

To join the PTA email list and get the latest news on upcoming events and activities please send an email to [ptacoupeville@yahoo.com](mailto:ptacoupeville@yahoo.com) - you do not have to be a PTA member to join the email list ☺

## The Big Picture!!!

The Washington State PTA has been at the forefront of all important policy work related to children in Washington State. Each legislative session has an overriding theme. This year's theme was the 2009-2011 budget process in which legislators responded to decreasing levels of projected revenue by making cuts in all sectors. Despite the challenges, WSPTA's advocacy voice contributed to the **positive progress that we can report for each of our top priorities!**

To read the full session report visit the Washington State PTA website at [www.wastatepta.org](http://www.wastatepta.org). These issues and many more were brought about by involved PTA members. If you want to make a difference in the education of your student get involved today and help make a difference.

## What we do ...

We support our school through fund raising and volunteerism.

Our fundraisers pay for....

- \* Family Events
- \* Assembly programs
- \* Mini-grants to help pay for
  - o field trips
  - o enhanced curriculum supplies
  - o Readers Are Leaders
  - o art supplies

## Who we are ...

Our volunteers make our PTA such a success. Without the support of our parents and teachers none of what we do would be possible. We have jobs of every shape and size. There's a way everyone can help make this a great year. To find the job that fits your schedule, skills and interests please contact us through our website or by email to [president@coupevillepta.org](mailto:president@coupevillepta.org).

## Ask not what your PTA can do...

## Ask what you can do for your PTA!!

We need members to serve on committees that coordinate our fall events. Our fall projects are the biggest events we do each year and every little bit of help makes each event a success. Events that need support are the fall fundraiser, Fall Carnival and Winterfest.

The fall catalog sale is our major fundraiser. Funds from this sale are used to pay for fieldtrips, supplemental curriculum supplies, and much more. If you would like to help with the fall catalog sale please send an email to [treasurer@coupevillepta.org](mailto:treasurer@coupevillepta.org)

## The Value of Your PTA Membership!!

Many people ask what is the benefit of joining the PTA? The PTA provides a venue for parents to contribute to the success of their children. This is accomplished by identifying needs that may lead to solutions such as making the school safe, becoming more technologically advanced and bringing

enriched educational opportunities to the school. Studies have shown that parent involvement is key to student success. PTA brings resources to parents to help their children in the education process. So do not ask what your PTA can do for you...ask what you can do for your PTA. Join today and get involved!

Hear Ye... Hear Ye... Come One... Come All...

Your presence is needed at the upcoming PTA meetings and events!

### General Meetings

- Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 3:45pm - fall events & grant process
- Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 3:45pm - Winterfest, fundraiser wrap-up
- Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> 3:45pm - grant evaluations
- Jan 7<sup>th</sup> 3:45pm - Spring family event planning
- Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 3:45pm - family event, budget planning
- Mar 4<sup>th</sup> 3:45pm - Budget approval
- Apr 1<sup>st</sup> 3:45pm - 2010 Board Elections

### PTA Events

- Sept 17 - Ice Cream Social
- Oct 24 - Fall Carnival
- Dec 5 - Winterfest
- TBD - Bingo Night
- TBD - Literacy Night
- TBD - Health Fair
- May 3-7 Staff Appreciation