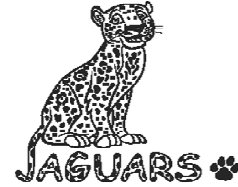


Jones Lane Elementary School PTA
15110 Jones Lane
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August 2016

Dear Jones Lane Elementary School Families,

I would like to introduce myself as this year's PTA President and extend a warm welcome to all of you as we begin the new school year. Many PTA members have been hard at work over the summer fine-tuning the programs and activities that will make this a fabulous year for everyone. One of our new initiatives this year is to provide the resources so that our Bilingual families within the Hispanic community are able to be more involved in the PTA meetings and events.

We will be continuing with a lot of the old favourite events, while also introducing some new exciting ones. All dates are included in the enclosed calendar and further details will be sent out closer to each event.

Mark Your Calendars

- **9/9 Back to School Picnic** - a FREE event for the whole family held at Jones Lane ES from 5:30 - 7:30 pm.
- **9/7 & 9/8 Back to School Nights** - 7:00 pm at Jones Lane ES with grades K-2 attending on 9/7 and grades 3-5 attending on 9/8
- **10/4 First PTA Meeting** - 7:00 pm in the All Purpose Room. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents and see what activities are in store for 2016- 2017.

PTA - What does it provide for me and my child?

As a PTA member, you will gain greater insight into the school and into the curriculum. You will develop stronger ties to JLES faculty and staff. You will have a platform to voice your opinion on the type of programming we provide now and in the future. To join the PTA, complete the enclosed membership form or contact one of our membership chairs: Lori Rosenstock at lc_rosenstock@yahoo.com or Jen Legge at JLL813@yahoo.com. Please also fill out the attached PTA insurance waiver for your entire family, so you can participate in PTA-sponsored events throughout the year.

How can I help?

You can show support by participating in the exciting events and activities during the year. Whether you have an hour a week or an hour a month to spare, the PTA values your time and talent. Find a PTA committee, event, or program that interests you. Take a look at the enclosed "Want to Get Involved" flyer and be sure to email Kristin Kaelin at krkaelin@comcast.net if you have any questions about volunteer opportunities.

Stay Connected to Hear About JLES and PTA Happenings

- Subscribe to the JLES PTA Yahoo Group. For access please email JonesLanePTA@yahoo.com.
- Check out our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/JonesLaneElementarySchoolPta>
- Bookmark our website <http://www.joneslaneppta.org/>

On behalf of the entire Jones Lane Elementary School PTA, I would like to thank you for taking the time to review the enclosed materials and welcome you back to school. We are excited for the coming year and look forward to working with all of you to make this an educationally rewarding and fun-filled year!

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