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Happy August! We trust you're savoring the summer and creating cherished memories with your families. As we embrace August, the upcoming school year may cross your mind -- but fear not! Garden City PTA has you covered. Follow us for all things related to gearing up for a successful academic year.

Our new membership year is now OPEN. We invite all district families to <u>JOIN</u> the PTA and support every student across all seven schools. Our Committees have an exciting year

planned with activities like <u>PARP</u>, <u>Reflections</u> and <u>Arts in Education</u> sessions. These include visits, speakers, and workshops for both students and parents. Your participation makes a difference.

Want to get more involved? Volunteer with our amazing group of volunteers to ensure a fantastic school year for all. If you're interested in roles like Grade Rep, Class Parent or School Committee member, fill out the forms linked below in this newsletter. Remember, an active PTA membership for the CURRENT school year is required to volunteer.

And don't forget **FALL SPORTSWEAR**! Check out our MAROON and GRAY collection for your Trojan family members while you shop for back-to-school.

We're eager to work with and serve every District family this year. While we look forward to meeting you, enjoy the sun and have fun in our final weeks of summer! Questions or suggestions? Feel free to reach out to us any time.

Donna Kraus PTA President

VOLUNTEER Get Involved in Your Child's School!

School-specific PTA Committees are being formed over the summer. Don't miss this first opportunity to get involved in the programs you love and want to support -- from school beautification to Reflections, photography and more! Click on the school-specific Sign-up Genius links below and check out your school's individual page on the <u>Garden City PTA website</u> for more information. There is a place for everyone on the PTA!

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- <u>Stewart</u>
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- <u>Middle School</u>
- High School



Calling all K-5 parents! Now is the time to volunteer as a class parent or assistant class parent for your child's class. Click on the button below to complete the online application before the deadline of August 31. Don't delay!

Class Parent Application



As you're running through your Back to School checklist, don't forget to join the Garden <u>City PTA for the 2023-24 school year</u>. One membership covers all of your children in all seven schools from July 2023 through June 2024. Remember that memberships <u>do not</u> <u>automatically renew from the prior year!</u>

We've supported the educational, social, and emotional needs of ALL students in the Garden City School District since 1945. We're committed to creating a collaborative environment in which parents and educators work together to foster positive change and progress in all of our schools. Click <u>here</u> to see a video summary of your PTA at work last year!

Join by October 1 for a chance to win a \$150 Amazon gift card!

Join or Renew the Garden City PTA Today!

VOLUNTEER Chalk the Walk with the Primaries

Help us give all our Primary students an extra special welcome on the first day of school! Join us on Thursday, Aug. 31, at 2:45 pm, at Locust, Hemlock and Homestead schools to decorate the walkways surrounding the buildings. Please bring your own chalk. Everyone is welcome!



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REFLECTIONS Annual Contest Set to Begin!

The **National PTA Reflections Program** welcomes students of all grades and abilities to explore and be involved in the arts. Students reflect on a theme and create original works of art in the areas of Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography and Visual Arts. Students earn positive recognition for their achievements. <u>Click for details</u> to get your own student started on this year's entry!

PTA MEETING SCHEDULE Mark Your Calendars!

The Fall PTA meeting schedule has been published on our website and is included below. Mark your calendars now and join us to get the school year off to a great start!

- September 19 | 9:15 am High School
- September 20 | 9:15 am Middle School
- October 3 | 9:30 am Hemlock
- October 6 | 9:30 am Stewart
- October 12 | 9:30 am Stratford
- October 13 | 9:30 am Locust
- October 17 | 9:30 am Homestead
- October 18 | 7:00 pm All Schools

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