



Welcome Back Hawks!

We hope your students had a great summer! If you haven't had time, please check out our PTSA website: www.EsenciaK8PTSA.org You can find information on upcoming events, join PTSA, donate to the pledge drive, purchase Hawk Gear, buy Yearbooks, upload pictures for yearbook consideration, and much more!!

You can also follow us on social media! Check out our new official PTSA Facebook page (Esencia K-8 PTSA) and Instagram Account (@esenciaK8ptsa).

Dine Out at Ballpark to Raise Money for Esencia K-8!

Let Ballpark Pizza in San Clemente help you with dinner the first week of school! Take a night off cooking Monday-Thursday, August 17th-20th and 20% of the proceeds will be donated back to our school! It's a win-win! No flyer needed, just be sure to mention "Esencia K-8" when you order for take out or outdoor patio dining.

[Ballpark Pizza San Clemente](#)



New Hawk Gear on Sale Now! Sale Ends August 30th!

Come check out the ALL NEW Hawk Gear! We've got a fresh design and awesome new super comfortable styles brought to us by a new vendor! Hawk Gear is on sale now through Aug 30th. Use promo code: **EARLYHAWK10** August 17 & 18 for 10% off your order! Pick up will be scheduled for Sept 18 & 19th (Details will be emailed.) Click here to order [online](#).



PTSA Membership Drive

Our PTSA Membership Drive is happening now. As a PTSA member, you can vote on how to help the school, what activities will be held, and how money will be raised and spent. Membership dues enable our PTSA to provide programs & activities to ALL students at Esencia K-8. And, you can support PTSA without having to volunteer or attend any PTSA meetings, though we'd love it if

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you do! Click here to join [online!](#)

Annual Fall Pledge Drive Ends August 30th!

Esencia K-8 PTSA acknowledges that 2020 has brought unprecedented challenges to our community. For those who are able, please consider donating to the pledge drive so we can continue to bring high quality programs to our Hawk Scholars. Large or small, your contribution matters and donations of ANY amount are greatly appreciated! Amounts of \$100 and more will receive corresponding thank you gifts. If the community and innovation programs are important to you and you are able to do so, please show your support with a tax deductible donation. Click here to donate [online!](#)



Gelson's Give Back Day: September 12th!

Stock up on groceries at the Gelson's in the Sendero Marketplace anytime on September 12th and they will automatically donate 5% back to our school!!

[Gelson's in Rancho Mission Viejo](#)



Important Updates to the Grab & Go Meal Program for CUSD Students

Starting on August 18th, CUSD families can pick up grab and go meals at 16 school sites. After the first day, meals will be available every Monday and Wednesday. Important updates for the 2020-2021 school year:

- Students **MUST** be enrolled in CUSD to receive meals.
- Students qualifying for free or reduced-price meals receive meals for **FREE**.
- Students not qualifying for free or reduced-price meals will be **charged** for their meals.
- Families **MUST** pre-order their meals online each week.

Click [here](#) for more information.



Are you shopping on Amazon?? Earn Free Money for Esencia!

Every time you shop, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. It's super easy! Just visit: smile.amazon.com, search



for "Esencia K-8 PTSA," select to support our PTSA, and shop today! Click [here](#) to learn more.

Corporate Donations

We love to recognize our community supporters! If you are interested in donating to Esencia K-8 through your company, or if your workplace has a corporate giving program for local schools, please email Kelli Navarro at ek8fundraising@gmail.com for more information on ways to help the school.



PTSA Association Meeting 9/16 at 7pm via Zoom

Join us Wednesday, 9/16 at 7pm via Zoom for our first PTSA General Association meeting of the 2020-2021 school year. It's a great opportunity to find out what the PTSA has planned for the year and also to connect with Principal Wellikson and hear directly from him. We'll also be presenting the budget for this year. Please email ek8pts@gmail.com for the zoom link.

