

SCIOTO SCOOP

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HI AND WELCOME TO SCIOTO RIDGE

On behalf of the Scioto Ridge Parent Teacher Organization, we would like to welcome you and your child to Scioto Ridge Elementary. We are confident that you and your child(ren) are going to have a great year.

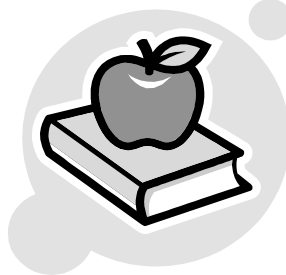
Every Parent and Teacher at Scioto Ridge is automatically a member of the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). There are no forms to fill out and no membership fees. The PTO holds monthly meetings open to all parents and teachers where we go over the status of any events being planned and where we discuss new ideas, activities, fundraisers, and ways we can support our school. We hope that you will attend PTO meetings and share your ideas for any of our current activities as well as bring any new ideas that you may have to the table. We are always looking for new volunteers and new ideas on how to support our students and our school.

The PTO sponsors a number of activi-

ties during the school year including Pre-Sale School Supplies, Football Friday Night, the Winning Ways Reading Program, Write Shop, COSI on Wheels, Author Visits, Winter Dinner and Dance, Ohio Reads Program, Summer Brain Games, Skating at the Chiller, Carnival and more! We have volunteers collect Boxtops for Education, Campbell's Soup Labels, and used printer cartridges, which brings cash or equipment to the school. In addition, we do some fundraising that allows us to fund many activities for the students.

Look for details about our fall fundraiser kicking off in October soon! Volunteers run all of these activities and we would love any help that you

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Please join us! PTO Meetings are open to all Parents and Teachers.

AT A GLANCE

AUGUST

29 - Curriculum Night (Grades 3-5)

SEPTEMBER

1 - New Parent Breakfast (9:15am)

4 - NO SCHOOL Labor Day

6 - Curriculum Night (Grades K-2)

12 - SRPTO Meeting (9:15am)

15 - VIP Training (9:30am)

15 - Football Friday Night

18 - NO SCHOOL

19 - VIP Training (6:30pm)

20-29 Fall Book Fair

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28 - Ice Cream Social (6:30pm)

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NEW PARENT WELCOME BREAKFAST

Please join us **Friday, September 1 at 9:15 am in the school cafeteria** for an informal welcome breakfast for parents of students who will be attending Scioto Ridge for the first time this year. You will meet our Principal, Vice Principal, and many of the staff members including our school nurse and school counselor. This is the perfect time to ask any questions you have about Scioto Ridge. Your PTO board will also be attending in order to provide information about planned school activities for the coming year. No reservation necessary. Hope to see you there.

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VOLUNTEER (VIP) TRAINING PROGRAM

Parents will have many opportunities to volunteer at Scioto Ridge this year. In order to maintain the utmost security in our building, and facilitate the greatest educational benefit, **all school volunteers must participate in the VIP Training Program.** Once you have participated in the training program, you will never need to take it again.

The training program is enjoyable, informative, and brief, lasting only one hour. During training you will have the opportunity to meet Mrs. Nolan, Scioto Ridge’s Principal, and Mr. Heuser, Scioto Ridge’s new Vice-Principal. You will also tour the rooms that you will use as a volunteer, receive safety instruction, and review the VIP Policies and Procedures

Agreement.

VIP Training Program sessions are provided early in the school year. For your convenience, there is an evening session and a morning session to choose from. **Training dates for the 2006-2007 school year are:**

- **September 15th at 9:30 a.m.**
- **September 19th at 6:30 p.m.**

You will receive information about signing up for a training session during Curriculum Night.

We look forward to meeting you, and personally thanking you for your gift of time to our school. Please call **Kristi Tumblison** at **614-846-8064** with any questions.

**“...FRIDAY
SEPTEMBER 15...
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LIBERTY HIGH
SCHOOL BEFORE
THE FOOTBALL
GAME...”**

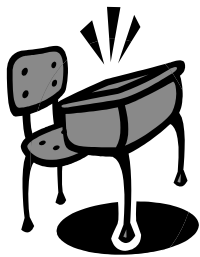
SRES FOOTBALL FRIDAY NIGHT REMINDER

Please mark **Friday, September 15th** on your calendars. On that date, Scioto Ridge will be celebrating its annual **Football Friday**. The excitement begins at school during the day and will continue at **5:00 p.m.** with a **family tailgate at Olentangy Liberty High School** before the football game against Westerville Central High School at 8:00 p.m. More details will be forthcoming.

Douglas R. Cook, Ph.D.

Scioto Ridge Counselor

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Meet the teachers, staff and sign up to be a SRPTO volunteer!

CURRICULUM NIGHTS

***Tuesday, August 29th, Grades 3-5, 6:30-8:30 pm**

***Wednesday, September 6th, Grades K-2, 6:30-8:30 pm**

Join us at curriculum night to visit your child’s classroom, meet the wonderful staff, and find out about PTO opportunities. We will have **sign-ups available for Room Moms and Party Coordinators** on both nights, as well as all of our other SRPTO volunteer opportunities.

Don’t miss this fun and informational night! We hope to see you all there!

*** Note: These are the correct dates and times!**

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can give us!

We will PTO representatives available at the New Parent Welcome Breakfast as well as both Curriculum Nights. Please stop by our PTO table and find the right opportunity for you. We would love to talk with you about the available positions!

The PTO website contains current information about what is going on now. Please visit our website at:

<http://sciotoridge.olentangypt.org/>

We look forward to a great year at Scioto Ridge for you and your child. If you have any questions or need additional information about volunteering, please contact Jennifer Reck at 614-888-9707 or by email at reckjb@sbcglobal.net.

Welcome Back!

Jennifer Reck

President

Scioto Ridge PTO



YES YOU CAN!
We strive to keep PTO meetings to an hour or less. Our meetings are fun and informative and **EVERYONE** is invited. Please, put one of our next meetings on **YOUR** calendar!

SRPTO OPEN BOARD AND CHAIRS POSITIONS

Below is a list of our current openings. In addition to these Board and Chair positions, we need parent volunteers for every event, so please stop by the PTO table (Curriculum Night, New Parent Breakfast and VIP Training) to see how you can help. **Thank you!**

PTO Board Officers:

Assistant Treasurer – assists the Treasurer in all PTO accounting functions.

SCRIP (Kroger/Meijer) – Help account and raise money for the PTO by encouraging SCRIP participation.

PRO Chair Positions:

Spring Book Fair – Organize, staff and work our school’s Spring book fair.

You will have experienced moms to show you the way and you can learn from a pro by helping out with the Fall Book Fair. *The PTO encourages literacy!*

Carnival – As you know, this event requires many workers. But many hands make for little work and I’m sure that any parent who has been involved in the past would tell you that it’s great fun. In addition to the **Carnival Chair**, there are openings for:

- Basket Coordinators**
- Food**
- Scheduling**
- Sponsorship**

Cartridge Recycling – Collect donated cartridges and redeem them for money!

Ice Skating at the Chiller – Coordinate school wide activity at the Chiller North on Tuesday, February 20th.

Innovation Grants – Review teachers’ requests for educational grants.

Nominating Committee – Find and nominate parents who would like to be a part of the PTO.

Product Rewards and Box tops – Once or twice a year, have a competition between classes to see who can collect the most. Count and deliver box tops to General Mills.

Reporter Helper(s) – help the Reporter by proofing articles, copying newsletters, and helping PTO through e news media, district and school publications.

SRPTO MEETING SCHEDULE

SEP 12, 9:15AM
***OCT 11, 7 PM**
 NOV 14, 9:15AM
 DEC 12, 7 PM
 JAN 9, 9:15AM
 FEB 13, 7 PM
 MAR 13, 9:15AM
 APR 10, 7 PM
 MAY 8, 9:15AM
 JUN 5, (TBD)

*** NOTE:** THIS MEETING IS ON A WEDNESDAY WITH SUPERINTENDENT DR. SCOTT DAVIS, ALL OTHER MEETINGS ARE ON TUESDAYS

SUBMISSIONS FOR NEXT ISSUE
ARE DUE NO LATER THAN:
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH.

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This publication is intended to welcome, inform, and educate the Parents and Teachers of Scioto Ridge Elementary. It is a tool to help you navigate the school and stay involved. To that end, we welcome all suggestions and ideas that you have to make this newsletter (and the website) a more informative and useful tool.

- Do you have a special skill and wonder how to share it?
- Do you need more information about a given event?
- Would you like to volunteer but don't think you have time?
- Do you have a "Best Practice" to share with us from a different school or organization?
- Would you like to see our PTO doing something differently or trying something new?

If you answered "yes" to any of those questions, **please** contact us via mail, email or phone (see left). Thank you for your involvement!

Something to think about...

The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary.

—Vidal Sassoon

Thank You to all the volunteers that helped with Supply Pick-Up!!!

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OCTOBER

2 - Fall Fundraiser Kick-off

11 - PTO Meeting w/Dr. Davis (7pm)

12 - Ohio Reads Training (9:30am)

TBD - Directory Printed

TBD - Classroom Harvest Parties

NOVEMBER

14 - PTO Meeting (9:15 am)

16&20 - Staff Appreciation Dinners

DECEMBER

9 - Holiday Gift Shop

12 - PTO Meeting (7 pm)

TBD - Classroom Winter Parties

JANUARY

9 - PTO Meeting (9:15 am)

TBD - COSI on Wheels

FEBRUARY

13 - PTO Meeting (7 pm)

TBD - Classroom Valentine Parties

20 - Ice Skating at Chiller North

27 - Staff Appreciation Dinners

MARCH

TBD - Winter Dinner & Dance

8 - Staff Appreciation Dinners

13 - PTO Meeting (9:15 am)

APRIL

10 - PTO Meeting (7 pm)

11-20 - Spring Book Fair

TBD - Talent Show

TBD - Write Shop

MAY

TBD - Carnival

8 - PTO Meeting (9:15 am)

14 - Teacher Appreciation Week

17 - Staff Appreciation Luncheon

JUNE

5 - PTO Meeting (TBD)

7 - Classroom End of School Parties