Evans Elementary Home & School

Association



Welcome Back!

We are so excited to start another great school year at Evans where we will be celebrating that "Learning is a Journey". We have many exciting activities planned for the year and hope you will join us. Our first H&SA meeting will take place TONIGHT, September 13 from 7-8 pm in the library. Free childcare for school aged children will be available. Be sure to come out and learn more about how you can get involved

at Evans and about our goals for the school year. All parents/guardians are welcome.

Our first fundraiser of the year is already underway. We hope you will participate and purchase one or more <u>Kid</u> <u>Stuff</u> coupon books. All unsold books, money, and additional orders are due back no later than September 23.



Please visit our newly redesigned website at www.evanshsa.org. We also have our own FB page. Search for "Evans Elementary Home & School Association, Limerick, PA" and ask to JOIN the page.

2016-2017 Evans H&SA Executive Board

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Have you completed your volunteer clearances?

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Due to changes in the PA State Child Protective Services Law, effective July 1, 2015, there are new clearance requirements for ALL VOLUNTEERS who would like to assist in a classroom, the Library, go on field trips, and/or assist in classroom activities/events. Please read the information on the school district's homepage under Community/Volunteer information to understand the requirements and clearances you MUST obtain prior to volunteering.

If you want to volunteer in the building or go on a field trip next school year, please complete the required paperwork over the summer.

SFSD Volunteer Clearances
Information



Evans H&SA is bringing spirit this year in a whole new way!

SPIRIT STICKS

Throughout the school year students may acquire spirit sticks in a number of ways:

- Giveaways from staff for birthdays, good citizenship, or prizes.
- Parents/Guardians can order "Spirit Grams" and include a note to their child.
- Spirit sticks will be available to purchase at special events and periodically during lunches/recess.
- Parents/Guardians can win them by attending and participating in H&SA events.

For more information in upcoming newsletters, on our web page, and on our Facebook page. Contact Liz Rakoff at Elizabeth.Rakoff@gmail.com with questions or to volunteer to help with this new and exciting program.

Thank You!



The school year started off on a great note thanks to our many volunteers that put in time before the school year even began. We so appreciate the efforts of our Beautification Committee and Display Case Committee for the cheerful additions to our school. We also want to thank our parent and teacher volunteers that assisted with our water ice social, bus duty the first two weeks of school, and others that helped behind the scenes to get so many things organized and ready to go. We can't function without our dedicated volunteers! Thanks!

Special thanks to the amazing talents of Ann Wojton at Wojton's Nursery for her help with designing the beautiful planter arrangements at the front of our school entrances.



Ongoing Fundraisers

Giant A+ School Rewards - A+ school rewards is an easy program brought to us by Giant Food stores. Through this program, parents and other supporters can assist our school in earning cash. Each time a supporter shops at Giant using his or her BONUS CARD from October through March, our school will earn A+ School Rewards. It is easy to register your BONUS CARD. You just need to go to www.giantfoodstores.com/aplus, select our school and enter your BONUS CARD information. We will earn 1 point for each dollar spent and there are additional ways to earn double and triple points (see website)!





BoxTops for Education - Many General Mills products have Box Tops coupons, including Avery label products! Each coupon is worth 10¢, redeemable for a variety of items for our school. We hold a classroom contest each year and the winning classroom wins a party. This year's contest begins in November! Be sure to send in any box tops that will expire prior to November ASAP as we do not get credit for expired box tops.

RDTeam - Complete market research for this local firm, and it can benefit Evans. RDTeam is located in Limerick, PA. You can participate in research panels and be compensated for your time and input. As a bonus, mention and add Evans Elementary to your profile and we receive a check once a year for your participation. To create a profile and join their database of panelists, visit http://RDteam.com

Shoebox Recycling - Your gently used and resuable shoes can make money for our school through Community Recycling's ShoeBox Recycling program. Each pound of acceptable shoes earns our school \$0.25! The program accepts athletic shoes, soccer cleats, casual and dress shoes, work boots, sandals, heels, flats and loafers of all sizes. Please, no damaged shoes or shoes with holes, wet or mildewed shoes, single shoes, metal spikes, flip flops, plastic shoes, slippers, dress boots, winter/ski boots or skates/blades. Collection boxes are located just inside the unlocked doors of our school's main entrance. Any usable donations will be sent to Community Recycling, where the shoes are cleaned and sent to communities in need around the world.

Tyson Project $A+^{\otimes}$ - We are taking part in this fundraising program sponsored by Tyson Foods, Inc.! Each label we collect is worth 24ϕ for our school. Labels can be deposited anytime in the white container in the school lobby.







A New Way To Help Evans Earn Money—Amazon Smile!

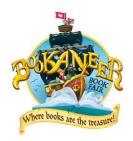
Evans Elementary H&SA is now participating in the Amazon Smile program. Use this link https://smile.amazon.com/ch/41-2242405 when shopping Amazon and 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases will be donated to our H&SA. Amazon Smile is the same Amazon you know-same products, same prices - just with an added benefit to your H&SA at no cost to you. Additional directions are available on the documents page of our website. Please consider adding our link to your bookmarks and shopping Amazon Smile to support your H&SA!

Membership Survey Results

Thank you to all of our Evans families and staff members that participated in our end-of-year survey in the spring. Results will be shared at the September H&SA meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting and would like to see a summary of the results, visit our web page after September 17.

Fall Book Fair Information

During our upcoming Fall "Bookaneer" Book Fair, "Where Books are the Treasure!" Students will visit during their library time beginning October 4th through Tuesday, October 11th and will again have the opportunity to choose a FREE book! The fair will include two family shopping nights from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, Thursday, October 6th and Monday, October 10th. Purchases made during the book fair earn Scholastic Dollars for our school, which are used to purchase Scholastic News magazines, a free book for every student at both our Fall and Spring book fairs and reading materials for the library. Please keep an eye on email and your student's backpack as we approach the fall fair for further information.



Dining Out Event Reminder!

Evans is having a Dining Out event at California Tortilla, TOMORROW,
September 14 from 4-8 pm. Be sure to mention EVANS when you order so we get credit for a percentage of your purchase.