

Riverside School Parent Teacher Association Annual Membership Drive August 26 - September 30, 2014

Dear Riverside School Parents, Teachers and Staff,

The Riverside PTA consists of families, teachers and staff in the Riverside School Community. Working together, we offer enrichment experiences for our students and programs to strengthen the home-school connection. To achieve our objectives, we rely on an operating budget of \$131,700. We raise this money through a variety of fundraisers throughout the year, one of the most significant of which is our PTA membership drive. While your participation in all of our fundraisers is entirely voluntary, we do hope to realize our goal of 100% participation in our membership drive. Reaching this target shows our unified dedication to improve learning and further solidify our school community.

PTA funds support numerous programs, including: Arts in Education Programs, Science in Education Programs, Innovative and Support Programs and Technology. In addition, classroom teachers receive a stipend to offset any out of pocket expenses for their classrooms. Every effort is made to spend the money we raise this fall during the current academic year so that your child(ren) benefits this year from the membership contribution you make right now.

With over 500 students at Riverside School this year, our funding translates into a "cost" of approximately \$260 per child. We are also required to donate about \$5 per membership to the state and national PTA organizations. Please consider these factors in choosing your membership donation for this year. We hope to count on your generosity as in years past. The staff rate for PTA membership is \$10.

As an incentive to join the PTA, members are given a Riverside School PTA Directory. This directory is invaluable – if you are new to the Riverside School Community, you will be amazed at how often you refer to this directory! Once you are a PTA member, you may purchase additional directories for \$5 each.

Please fill out and return the attached form. Checks should be made payable to "Riverside School PTA" (please make a confidential call to Mr. Weiss if financial assistance is needed). Please note that as a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization, we are required per IRS regulations to provide our members' names and email addresses to the CT PTA umbrella organization.

Please return your contribution and form in the envelope provided to the PTA Membership Box in the school lobby or put a stamp on it and drop it in the mail. Remember to fill out the form in its entirety, to aid in the distribution of directories. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Lisa Boots at lisamboots@gmail.com or Julie Dozier at juliebdozier@yahoo.com.

With thanks and appreciation for all of your support here at Riverside School,

Lois Kelly and Sarah Fugelsang PTA Co-Presidents Lisa Boots and Julie Dozier PTA Membership Co-Chairs



2014 – 2015 RIVERSIDE SCHOOL PTA MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTION

| Parent(s) Name(s): | |
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| Email Address(es): | |
| — PTA Donation ————— | |
| □ Other \$ □ \$200 □ \$10 | 00 □ \$50 □ \$25 |
| □ \$10 (Teacher/Staff ONLY) | |
| With a minimum donation of \$25 (\$10 Teacher/Staff), you become a member of the PTA and receive a school directory. As a member you may purchase additional directories for \$5 each. — Additional Directories | |
| # of Additional Directories X \$5 = \$ | |
| PTA Donation: \$ | checks payable to |
| + Additional Directories: \$ | RIVERSIDE SCHOOL PTA. —— Please note when paying by check the bearer will be |
| = TOTAL Amount Enclosed: \$ | |
| — For Delivery Purposes* | |
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| Youngest/Only Child's Name (First and Last): | |
| Youngest/Only Child's Grade: Teacher Last Name: | |
| *Directories are sent home in the Friday Folder of the youngest child in each member family. | |