



## **Parent Association Year-In-Review 2018-2109**

**The Eden Christian Academy Parent Association (PA) supports the Academy in its mission to engage the mind and the heart of each student to think and act with Christ-like character by fostering parental participation in building school spirit, community, and resources for educational and spiritual enrichment.**

**2018-2019 PA Steering Committee Members:** Vicki Bonzo (President - MN), Jodi Fleishman (Vice President - MN), Ann Schichtkrull (Secretary – MN), Jenna LoDico (Treasurer – WX), Jodi Fleishman (Team Leader – MN), Vicki Bonzo (MN), Debbie Balla (MN), Ann Schlichtkrull (MN), Tara Flinchbaugh (MN), Jodi Brooks (Team Leader – BH), Sarah Detar (BH), Lori Walton (BH), Amy Piemme (BH), Dani Judd (BH), Angie Nacey (Team Leader – WX), Jenna LoDico (WX), Christi Wilcox (WX), Kristy Sosso (WX), Jennifer Bushee

### **Organizational Comments**

- The Parent Association will be coordinating the Ambassador Program for the 2019-2020 school year, continuing the work with Michelle Rice.

**Ended the year with an approximate balance of \$1200. (see attached spreadsheet). Allocated PA funds towards:**

- First Day of School welcome gifts for all three campuses
- Purchase of new student/new teacher Eden welcome t-shirts for upcoming school year
- Purchased cookies for cookie reception at the Mt. Nebo campus
- Anonymous tithe of gift cards for Eden families in need
- Provided each graduating senior with a 2019 Senior Class picture
- Provided donuts and hot chocolate for the Elementary Skating Social
- Leaving a balance of approximately \$1200 to purchase Spirit Wear items to sell at the All-School Picnic as well as reimburse members for purchases made over the summer and through the school year and events as needed.

### **PA Fundraisers**

- Christmas Shop (BH) – December – Profit earned: \$344.00
- Christmas Shop (WX) – December – Profit earned: \$800.00
- Spirit Wear Sale (All-School) – Fall & Spring online sales and cash and carry items at the All-School Picnic and other school events.

### **Annual All-School Picnic (September 22, 2018)**

- The picnic was chaired by Erin Soza with the assistance from the PA Steering Committee, as well as Eden parents and oversight by Chuck Smullin.
- The location was at Orchard Hill Church once again this year. This worked extremely well with plenty of parking and space for all of the activities and places to sit, eat, and fellowship.
- The weather was chilly but it did not spoil the fun of the day! A great representation from all three campuses. Medure's Catering provided pulled pork sandwiches, hotdogs, and chicken tenders. Various side dishes and desserts were provided by Eden families.
- This year the PA had both "Spirit Wear" and a "New Family" Tents. The "New Family" tent was utilized for new families to stop by and pick up their Eden welcome t-shirt and gift bag. There were about half of the new staff/new families who did not pick up their welcome t-shirt and gift bag. Those not picked up were sent to the individual schools for distribution. The PA Tents did provide an opportunity to meet other Eden parents and ask questions pertaining to Eden.
- The PA Welcome Tent also hosted a Cash and Carry Spirit Wear Sale where Eden merchandise was available to purchase on site. The sales were not as good as the previous year but the PA feels it was due to a lack of merchandise available and no sample size shirts this year due to Red Oak (spirit wear vendor) not sending any.
- Some members of the PA also worked the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary tent to commemorate Eden's 35 years!
- The inflatables and petting zoo provided fun activities for the children.
- K-Love provided music for the picnic, which helped to create the festive and fun atmosphere.

### **Eden Spirit Wear Sale (Fall & Spring)**

- Chris Simonette, PA representative, conducted a Fall & Spring Spirit Wear sale.
- The PA purchased and distributed Eden t-shirts to new students and new teachers as a gesture of welcome.
- Spirit Wear was also available for purchase at a variety of events throughout the year including the All-School Picnic, All-School Chapel, and the Mt. Nebo Christmas Bazaar.

### **Staff Appreciation Luncheons (Fall & Spring)**

- There were two Staff Appreciation Luncheons held at all three campuses this school year, which occurred in the Fall & Spring.
- The PA organized and implemented these luncheons at all three campuses with food donations from many parent volunteers.
- Each event had a unique theme and was very appreciated by the teachers and staff.

### **Berkeley Hills Family Night (November 15, 2018)**

- A bake sale was organized by the PA members to benefit the garden that was put in last year. The garden crops are donated to the North Hills Community Outreach.
- All Berkeley Hills PA members volunteered with the Bake Sale. They also assisted with set-up and cleanup.

- BH gave out a few Eden t-shirts provided by the PA. These t-shirts were left over from previous years and distributed evenly between the three campuses.

#### **Elementary Christmas Concert (December 11, 2018)**

- PA Committee members helped greet families, hand out programs, and take the offering at Christ Church at Grove Farm.
- There was no cookie reception this year due to the Art Show, which was used as a fundraiser for both campuses. The Art Show consisted of the children's art, which was framed and available for purchase.

#### **Wexford Christmas Gift Shop (November 28 & 29, 2018)**

- The Christmas shop went great and raised roughly \$800.00.

#### **Berkeley Hills Christmas Shop (December 3, 2018)**

- The BH campus used the Penguin Patch Christmas store for their school again this year because it continues to be a huge success.
- All students received a \$5 voucher to shop at the store.
- The profit from the sale was \$344.00

#### **Mt. Nebo Mid-term Encouraging Handouts**

- Mott's fruit snacks were handed out to all students at the Mt. Nebo campus for on the first day of mid-terms. Stickers containing a bible verse were attached to the back of each snack.
- The PA purchased the fruit snacks.
- Pencils were handed out to those who did not want the gummy snack, or just needed a pencil.
- All students seemed to enjoy the snack and/or pencil!

#### **Mt. Nebo Christmas Bazaar (December 20, 2018)**

- The Mt. Nebo team set up a Parent Association table at the Christmas Bazaar where students could purchase Spirit Wear.
- A total of \$176.00 of Spirit Wear was sold.
- MN gave out a few Eden t-shirts provided by the PA. These t-shirts were left over from previous years and distributed evenly between the three campuses.
- The need for more advertisement for the bazaar was discussed for next year.

#### **Wexford Family Night (January 24, 2019)**

- A Family Night was held at the Wexford campus where parents could visit their child's classroom and get a snapshot into what they do during the day.
- Parents were able to purchase raffle tickets and those students whose tickets were chosen won the opportunity for their child to spend time with their teacher for pizza and games during a recess/lunch period.
- Over \$800.00 in raffle tickets were sold at Family Night.
- The proceeds of the raffle were split between the Wexford teachers to use in their classrooms.

- Wexford gave out a few Eden t-shirts provided by the PA. These t-shirts were left over from previous years and distributed evenly between the three campuses.

#### **Elementary Skating Social (January 2, 2019)**

- The Elementary Skating Social was once again a huge success with 146 students attending.
- The event was held at the Lemieux Sports Complex from 11:30-1:30. The cost was \$8.00/per person to skate including skate rental, and hot chocolate provided by the Lemieux Sports Complex. Eden had the entire rink to themselves.
- The Parent Association provided donut holes for those in attendance. It was a time of fellowship and community for all three campuses as this was an activity that every age can enjoy! We plan on continuing this next year during an In-service day.

#### **Senior Class Picture (May 2019)**

- The senior class gathered for a picture in their caps and gowns at the beginning of May. The framed photo will be distributed to each graduate at the Senior breakfast.
- New this year, the PA purchased frames for the photo rather than just presenting the unframed photo to the graduate as done in previous years.

### **2019-2020 PA Steering Committee (14 members)**

- Vicki Bonzo will serve as President again next year. Jodi Fleishman will continue as Vice President. Ann Schlichtkrull will continue as Secretary. A new Treasurer will be needed as Jenna LoDico is not returning to this role.
  
- Mt. Nebo:
  - Vicki Bonzo
  - Jodi Fleishman
  - Ann Schlichtkrull
  - Debbie Balla
  - Tara Flinchbaugh
  
- Wexford:
  - Angie Nacey
  - Jenna LoDico
  - Kristy Sosso
  - Jennifer Bushee
  
- Berkeley Hills:
  - Jodi Brooks
  - Amy Piemme
  - Lori Walton
  - Dani Judd