

## A Note from our Principal

Dear Hoover Community,

As we approach the start of the new school year I wanted to give another opportunity for students and parents to have access to our Melrose School Psychology staff to ask questions or just to talk about Dina DeCecca's passing. On Thursday, August 26, we will have personnel here if you would like to come into the Hoover. Please e-mail me at school before Thursday, so that I know who would like to avail themselves of this service and when you are coming, so I know how many personnel to have on hand.

See you all on the first day of school!

~ Dr. Sidell

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## Letter from Our PTO Presidents

Hello Hoover Community,

We are very excited as we enter our first year as Co-Presidents of Hoover's PTO and are looking forward to the upcoming school year. As a way to plan for the upcoming school year, we will be having a **PTO meeting on Wednesday, August 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hoover All-Purpose Room**. This is a great time to jump into PTO if you're new to the school or have not had the chance to join us yet. PTO exists to support our school and works to enhance educational opportunities as well as social experiences for our children. PTO is open to all Hoover School parents, guardians, and teachers and we welcome any ideas or suggestions you may have.

Back to school time is crazy and there are a number of notices that will come home in the first few weeks of school. One way that you can ensure that you get all of the important information (in a much less cluttered way) is to read the weekly Hoover E-Notices and visit the Hoover website regularly.

### *What's Coming Up....*

**Back to School Coffee (8/31 and 9/2)** Stick around immediately after morning drop-off to meet new people and catch up on what's been going on with your neighbors over the summer. Siblings are welcome!

**Victorian Fair (9/12)** The Hoover hosts a table at this Melrose community event held on Main Street. We are currently collecting raffle items for prize baskets. All donations are truly appreciated and can be dropped off at **Kelly Marusich's house**.

**Third Annual Hoover Golf Classic (10/1)** We proudly present our third annual Hoover School fundraiser, the Hoover Golf Classic, which will take place on Friday, October 1, 2010 at Mt. Hood Golf Club located in Melrose. Both golf and dinner tickets sold out last year, so get your tickets early!! Tickets are \$140 per golfer (includes 18 holes of golf with cart followed by dinner) or \$40 for dinner and evening festivities only. Nighttime fun includes DJ, cash bar, silent auctions, prizes, raffles and dancing the night away with friends. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. For tickets and further information contact **Donna George**. All proceeds directly benefit the students of Hoover School.

Enjoy the rest of your summer! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or e-mail either of us.

Best Wishes,  
Tammy O'Keefe and Lauren Hitchman, PTO Co-Presidents

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### **Kindergarten Open House**

Hoover School welcomes kindergarten families at an Open House on Wednesday, Aug. 25, from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Kindergarten schedule:

Sept. 2 Half day for kindergarten 8:15 - 11:00 a.m.

Sept. 3 & 6 No school, Labor Day weekend

Sept. 7 First full day of school for kindergarten, 8:15 a.m. - 2:20 p.m.

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### **New This Year at Melrose Public Schools!**

Student contact information can be completed online! Families have the opportunity to submit all important and annual emergency contact information via an on-line form. Check out the website at <http://www.melroseschools.com/studentcontactinfo/index.cfm>

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## **Garden Update - Tally as of 8/18**

The latest food pantry drop-off from our Hoover garden included 152 ripe red tomatoes! We're so lucky to be able to help out our community this summer with fresh produce. Check it out when school begins and you'll see many things still ripening, blooming, and growing.

### The latest summer garden food pantry tally is:

182 Cucumbers  
194 Tomatoes  
56 Cherry Tomatoes  
2 Ears of Corn  
5 Zucchini  
1 Gallon of Chives  
5 Gallons of Peas  
5 Gallons of Green Beans  
11 Green Peppers  
19 Jalepeno Peppers  
5 Gallons of Lettuce  
3 Summer Squash  
1 Gallon of Oregano  
1-1/4 Gallon of Basil  
1/4 Gallon of Heirloom Beans

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## **Mark Your Calendars**

Please note these important upcoming dates, and link to the website calendar for complete listings.

Aug. 25      Kindergarten Open House, 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
Aug. 25      First PTO meeting, 7:00, All-Purpose Room  
Aug. 31      First day of school (Grades 1-5), 8:15 a.m. - 2:20 p.m.  
Sept. 2      Half day for Kindergarten, 8:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
Sept. 3      No School  
Sept. 6      No School - Labor Day  
Sept. 7      First full day for Kindergarten, 8:15 a.m. - 2:20 p.m.  
Sept. 16     Hoover Open House, Time TBA  
Oct. 1      Hoover Golf Classic - Save the Date!

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*Have an E-Notice to send to the Hoover community? Send all submissions to [hooverhighlights@gmail.com](mailto:hooverhighlights@gmail.com). Do not reply directly to this E-Notice.*