

August 2009

Dear Melrose High School Parent/Guardian:

Enclosed with the mailing you should have received found a stamped self-addressed, envelope for your annual MHS PTO dues. We encourage you to make this annual contribution and to come to as many monthly PTO meetings you can this year. (***We meet on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m., beginning October 5, 2009.***) We do not typically do any fund-raising during the year, so your \$25 contribution (or more!) is our only source of funding.

Funds are used to support special projects, items, or causes that benefit our students and the MHS community. Last year, for example, among other donations, we gave our PTO funds for the purchase of DVD/VCR players, printers, and scanners; numerous supplies to help clubs such as; the SciFi Club, Global Education in Melrose, Anime Club, Mock Trial, and Big Chef Little Chef. In addition, we sponsored a Trivia Bee team, an MAAV walkathon team, and a teacher appreciation breakfast.

The MHS PTO is a warm and welcoming group of parents who gather to learn – to about what our children are doing each day; to learn about community activities that affect our high schoolers; and to learn how best we can support our children, MHS faculty and staff, and the MHS spirit. Last year we hosted visits from the Guidance Department, the Academic Heads of the Foreign Languages and Athletic Department as well as the Student Action Board Representative, Media Specialist, and the director of the Drama Club. We are working on the 2009 line up of PTO meeting guests. Give us your email below and we will be glad to keep you up to date. We encourage you, in turn; to let us know what particularly interests you.

Respectfully,

MHS PTO: Maureen Beecy, President; Peggy Sorrentino, Vice-President; Amy Morrison, Secretary; Anne Berte, Treasurer

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Dues are \$25 per family. Donations in excess are always welcome! MHS is a member of Melrose PTO, Inc., a 501c3 non-profit organization.

Please make checks payable to: Melrose High School PTO

If you would like to be on the PTO mailing list for meeting reminders/agendas, please give us your email address: \_\_\_\_\_