

Committees Supported and Sponsored by the WPSA

Apples for Teachers : The teachers will provide a supply “wish-list” for materials needed for their classroom. A sign will be posted outside the door with instructions on how to donate to this program. If you are a ConocoPhillips employee, your gift may be eligible for a matching grant! The forms are in the hallway at the sign-in desk.

Book Fair : The Scholastic Book Company provides the materials and Wayside Families can purchase books and products at extremely discounted prices. The library is able to purchase new things and the teachers receive items for their classrooms. The tentative dates are in November and March.

Carnival : Wayside Families come out to PLAY on Saturday, February 3rd from 5-8. Our school is transformed into a MIDWAY with games of skill, chance and bouncy houses! Please join us!

Directory: The WPSA creates a school phone and address book. It will be available for sale, at cost, at the end of September. Contacting friends is so much easier with this book!

Field Day: This is Friday, May 15th. For half of the day the kids get to run and play in relay races, obstacle courses and many other things. Often, the kids will get wet on this day. They ALWAYS have fun!

Garden (Circle of Friends) : During the year students will plant a flower or bulb in the Circle of Friends Garden. It ties in with many science units taught in the classroom and makes our school look pretty also. Materials are provided and volunteers are needed so come and join us!

GM Boxtops: We collect these all year but a couple of times, during the year, we will have classroom challenges to get them all in. The money raised from this program pays for things like “Weekly Readers” and “Time for Kids” classroom subscriptions.

Hospitality: This committee organizes and hosts appreciation lunches for teachers and staff, three times during the school year. Wayside Parents work together to put on these events with a nice meal, door prizes and providing volunteers in the classroom so all may attend.

Jr. Achievement: This program has parent volunteers bring an educational message into the classroom with 5-7 lessons about business, community and government. All the materials are provided by this nationally recognized program.

Land Run: Our fourth graders will re-enact this great event in Oklahoma history. We do it in Wayside style! The kids are put into families, costume and MOTION! They have live demonstrations of butter churning, spinning, grinding wheat and prairie toy making. There are TOO many to list!

Marquee: Clever writing and diligence in rain or shine gets important messages on the sign outside our school.

Mileage Club: Kids have the opportunity a couple of times a week to log in a few laps in the Mileage Club. Volunteers supervise while kids run, walk or skip on the track during the lunch recess. Records are kept. Kids earn prizes and recognition for keeping active during the lunch hour. They get into a good habit of physical activity on a regular basis.

Movie Night: A few Friday nights a year we invite Wayside families to join us in the gym to watch a fun DVD. Kids bring bean bags, sleeping bags etc. and hang out with the friends

watching a family movie. This is fun with snacks and drinks you bring from home or purchase at the light concession stand.

Pickles and Popcorn: One Friday each month, kids have the opportunity to purchase a bag of popcorn and or a pickle. They are delivered to the classroom and enjoyed during the day. A different grade pops each month. The proceeds benefit the Circle of Friends Garden.

School Spirit: Wayside often has an official T-Shirt. This committee gets the pre-sales together and gets the shirts to the kids!

Talent Show: Wayside kids put on a show! We see acts ranging from magic shows to joke telling to elaborate dance routines. A show this big requires a lot of help! Come and join the fun!!

Test Monitors: A few times a year, our kids are put to the test – State Tests, that is. Each classroom will be required to have someone in addition to the teacher monitoring students for standardized testing. We need many volunteers to share a couple of hours in the month of April.

Walk-A-Thon: Fitness, fun and finance go with this Fall fundraiser. This year the event will kick off on September 12th and the walk will be Friday, September 26th. Children raise sponsors and the monies go to a large purchase that all the kids can enjoy. Previous years have provided roller skates, a climbing wall, a marquee and a closed circuit TV system for the school to broadcast morning messages on TV's in the classroom and interactive white boards.

WAVE: Wayside Army of Volunteers for Excellence - Our goal and mission is to enlist, retain, and motivate parents as volunteers at Wayside for the purpose of enriching our children's academic success. We do this by offering various incentives, e.g. recognition, awards for hours of service, an auction bucks program, and finally an ice cream social and WAVE t-shirt for academic volunteers if our goal is met.

Workroom: Volunteers are trained in making copies, laminating materials, binding books and many other things. Teachers turn in the projects they need help with and are able to get back to the classroom. Parents usually volunteer for one day a month for about an hour or so.

Yearbook: We have a great book! It is colorful and fun. You can help take pictures, assemble pages, take orders etc. There are many ways to help and the end product is very rewarding.

Our volunteer coordinator is Kelly Cummings – jkacummings@sbcglobal.net

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We meet at 9:30 a.m. the second Monday of each month at the school. Those dates remaining are: March 8, April 12, May 10.

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