

## John Rex PTA Newsletter – July 2016

It's hard to believe another school year is quickly approaching! In preparation for the First Day of School on Wednesday, August 10, the PTA has been hard at work. Here are a few things you will want to know:

### T-Shirt Sale Pre-Orders Ending Soon!

Be sure to purchase your John Rex spirit shirts and uniform components by **Friday, July 15th**. All orders placed by then will be available for pick up at Meet the Teacher night or will go home with students the first week of school. Orders can be placed online at [johnrexppta.tictail.com](http://johnrexppta.tictail.com). Questions? Contact new T-Shirt Chair Juliana Jimenez at [Juliana.Jimenez@outlook.com](mailto:Juliana.Jimenez@outlook.com).

### Second Hand Uniform Sale

This year's Second Hand Uniform Sales has been scheduled for **Saturday, July 23rd from 10am - 12pm** at John Rex Charter Elementary School. For the sale to be a success, we need your donations!

Donations in good condition may be dropped off at John Rex Charter Elementary School between Monday, July 11 and Thursday, July 21, Monday - Thursday 9am to 3pm and Friday 9am - 11:30am.

Anyone who donates clothing will receive 10% off their purchase on sale day!! If you have questions or need to schedule a pick-up, please contact Lydia Arguello at [lydiala@cox.net](mailto:lydiala@cox.net) or 615-9366. This is an official John Rex PTA sponsored event. All proceeds will benefit John Rex PTA

### Committee Chairs Needed

The PTA has 3 committee chair positions that need to be filled. Free Money Chair, Parental Involvement (formerly Class Rep) Chair, and Photography Chair. Can you volunteer to serve in any of these capacities? If so, please contact PTA President [Kelly Haikin Hadsall](mailto:kellyhaikinhadalls@gmail.com) at [kellyhaikinhadalls@gmail.com](mailto:kellyhaikinhadalls@gmail.com). All committee chairs can and should recruit a committee of parents to assist them.

Free Money Chair - Coordinates and promotes "Box-tops for Education", "Target Red Card", restaurant nights, or other retailer give back programs.

Parental Involvement/Volunteers Chair - Liaison to school administration and PTA Board of Directors for PTA Class Room Representatives. Works with Dean of Students to coordinate and provide support for teachers in classroom activities, field trips and special programs

Photography Chair - Attend all PTA events, taking pictures to be used by the PTA, school and yearbook. Key events include: Blast Off, Fall Carnival, Fuel Up!, walking field trips, class parties, International Explorers Week, music programs, Teacher Appreciation, Open House Nights, Cluster presentations, and other events. Should have your own

camera and computer available for use.

## **First PTA Meeting Scheduled**

Mark your calendars for the first PTA meeting of the year on **Thursday, August 25th at 6pm** at John Rex Charter Elementary School. We will discuss plans for the year and attendees can sign up to volunteer for various committees and events. Pizza and water will be served (donations accepted). Hope to see you there!

## **First Day of School Adult Coffee Break**

Join other John Rex families for coffee right after drop-off on the first day of school, **Wednesday, August 10th**. All John Rex family members are invited to Caeli's Sweets, Eats & Bar at 726 W. Sheridan (right down the street from the school) from 7:30-9:00am. Come celebrate the start of a new school year and get to know other great John Rex families!

## **Safety Committee**

The Safety Committee is recruiting members and volunteers to help with drop-off and pick-up lines. The Safety Committee will meet before school starts (meeting not yet set) to prepare for traffic and safety issues. Various flexible volunteer shifts are available from 7:30am-8am and at school release times. Contact Aaron Mooney at [asmooney@okcu.edu](mailto:asmooney@okcu.edu) or 347.693.5211 to volunteer or join the committee.

## **Join the PTA**

Family members and friends can join or renew their PTA membership at Meet-the-Teacher Night at John Rex Charter Elementary on **Friday, August 5 from 3:00-6:30pm**. Be sure to stop by the John Rex PTA table to renew your membership or join for the first time! Information on committees and the PTA calendar for the year will also be available. Can't make it to Meet-the-Teacher Night? Membership forms will also be available at the first PTA meeting, or you can join or renew online at [www.JohnRexPTA.org/JoinPTA](http://www.JohnRexPTA.org/JoinPTA). PTA memberships are \$5.

## **Follow the PTA on Facebook**

Want to stay up-to-date on all PTA events and announcements? Be sure to follow John Rex PTA on our official Facebook page! [www.facebook.com/JohnRexPTA](http://www.facebook.com/JohnRexPTA)

## **Meet the New PTA Officers**

The PTA is excited to have 2 new PTA officers and 2 wonderful returning officers. Please thank Kelly Hadsall (President), Alicia Currin-Moore (Vice-President), Alyson Hobson (Secretary), and Heidi Petitt (Treasurer) when you see them for volunteering to lead the PTA this year!