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## Calendar



### September

**Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**

PTA Meeting 6:30 pm  
1st PTA en ESPANOL Meeting 8:15-9:00 am  
Cub Scout Pack 585 Meeting 7:00 pm  
Picture Day

### October

**Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup>**

Fair Day  
Student Holiday/ Teacher Staff Development  
RHS Homecoming Parade 3:30 pm

# RHS HOMECOMING PARADE

Gather with your school friends and parents on

**October 15th at 3:30 pm,**

to ride on the **NHE homecoming float!!**

Entry fee is a new package of socks or underwear per person that can be dropped off at school starting October 4th. This year's homecoming theme is *"Set Sail with the Eagles"* and our float will be a big surprise!

**We will give out clues and more details as the date gets closer.**

## Reflections Theme

# Reflections Theme 2010-11: "Together We Can!"

It is time to get started on your 2010 Reflections Project. The theme this year is "Together We Can..." The goal of the program is to emphasize that all children have the ability to create an idea that can be expressed with individual creativity. The hope is that every child will have the opportunity to experiment and feel good about their idea and artistic expression.

Your child may enter in any of the categories (as many times as he or she would like.)

The categories this year are: **Visual Arts, Photography, Literature, Music Composition, Dance Choreography, and Film/Video Production.**

The deadline for entries is **MONDAY, OCTOBER 25.**

Questions or need help contact: Tracey Locke Socia, 310-418-1381 or [traceylocke@mac.com](mailto:traceylocke@mac.com)

(For those unfamiliar with the Reflections Program, it is under RISD's Arts and Awareness umbrella. This program encourages students to submit various forms of art with this theme as inspiration. Music Composition, Photography, and Art, are just a few examples of acceptable submissions. Students' projects will be displayed at NHE, and also have a chance to go to district for competition.)

# Cici's is Back!

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays

Join us for lunch or dinner at Cici's Pizza (Coit & Spring Valley) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month, starting Wednesday, 9/15! Sign your receipt and place it in the NHE box.

Cici's gives back 10% to support our PTA projects!

### Ways & Means

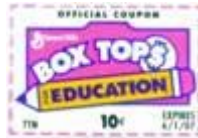
## How can you support your school!?

Clip Box Tops and Labels for Education all year long!

Send into your teacher anytime!

Contest runs all year – ice cream parties for top earning classes!

### Box Tops for Education



\* Expiration date matters!

- \* **Make sure the date is visible and not in the past.**
- \* **Don't clip too small! Cut each box top at least 1" wide.**

\* *Cheerios, Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, Ziploc, Kleenex, Juicy Juice and more!*

### Labels for Education



- \* **Full barcode must be visible** (see picture).
- \* But we don't need the entire label!

\* Campbell's, Swanson, Prego, V8, Spaghettios and Pepperidge Farm.



**Sally Foster** is our largest fall fundraiser, budgeted to **earn \$10,000 for NHE**. Instead of catalog orders, this year customers purchase **\$20 gift cards**, then go online to order gift wrap, chocolates, and gifts.

Items are delivered **directly to the customer!**



This year we have **Mixed Bag** catalogs! These are high-quality reusable grocery bags, lunch bags, laptop cases, beach bags, phone cases, and more! These will be delivered to the school and you will distribute them to your customers.

Catalogs and order forms come home on **Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>** – sell to all your friends and family!  
Orders and money are due **Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>**.

## Earn funding for NHE on your everyday purchases!



Tie your **Target REDcard** to NHE at [Target.com](https://www.target.com).



Link your **Tom Thumb Reward** card to charity **#3797**.



Scan barcode with your **Kroger Plus card** at the start of each school year.

[Print the barcode here!](#)



Shop with NHE ID **#70096135** at **Office Depot**.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!**

## Join NHE PTA Today!

**Family Membership \$16**  
**Single Membership \$9**

Local dues go to NHE, and benefit YOUR children, teachers, and YOU:  
Just to name a couple, did you know TX PTA members receive:

**14% off T-mobile monthly fees**  
**5% off Southwest Airlines Travel**

Join TODAY and find out more!

**Thank you!**

Questions? Elba Morgan-Knox, [epmk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:epmk@sbcglobal.net)

### Volunteer's Background Check

## NEW Online Volunteer System!



RISD launched a new Volunteer Online Application for the 2010-11 school year. Prospective volunteers can access the Volunteer Application by navigating to the RISD website at <http://www.risd.org/www.risd.org>. Click on **Community-Volunteer Opportunities**. At this point, you can elect to proceed in English or Spanish, and any RISD school can be selected as a preference. The information submitted will be used not only for the background check, but also allow schools to contact approved volunteers for their specific school needs.

This application will only be active for the current school year, through 6/30/11, at which time it will be purged and volunteers will be asked to submit new information for the following school year. NHE is very appreciative of ALL of our volunteers, and appreciate your cooperation and understanding during RISD's transition to this new system!

### PTA en Espanol

## NEW! At NHE this year! PTA en Espanol!

NHE will now have general meetings in Spanish the Friday morning after the MONTHLY General meetings. The same information covered in the General meetings will now be covered in PTA en Espanol meetings, as well as a Q&A period for Spanish-speaking parents/caregivers. Please forward this article to anyone you know that could benefit from this information.

**First meeting is September 24th in NHE Library.**

# Nuevo Este Año en NHE! PTA en Español!

Estan invitados a asistir las reuniones en Espanol. Haga Preguntas, y Aprenda informacion acerca de la escuela. Las reuniones solamente seran mensuales.

Los Viernes por la manana en la biblioteca.

**La Primer Junta sera el 24 de Septiembre.**

Registrese en la oficina y la junta sera en la biblioteca de 8:15-9:00 am.

## PTA Website

**If you like this E-News, you should check out our website...**

**[www.nhepta.org](http://www.nhepta.org) !**

Stay informed and updated with NHE information. You can view calendar of events and meetings, as well as general school information. Bookmark it today!

## Quick Links

Northwood Hills Elementary School - [www.nhedev.org](http://www.nhedev.org)

Westwood Junior High - [www.risd.org/schools/wwjh/index.htm](http://www.risd.org/schools/wwjh/index.htm)

Richardson High School - [www.risd.org/schools/rhs/index.htm](http://www.risd.org/schools/rhs/index.htm)

Richardson Independent School District (RSID) - [www.risd.org/schools/wwjh/index.htm](http://www.risd.org/schools/wwjh/index.htm)

