

**YOU'RE INVITED!**



Come join the **"Grandparents Association"** of the Vineland Public Charter School. If you are a grandparent and would like to be involved as a member of our school family, come join us.

As a member you will be given many opportunities to share your wisdom, talents, and experience. Come help at recess and lunch, read to your grandchild's class, share hobbies with the children, and help with activities that enrich our children's school experience.

The best thing is you will be building a closer relationship with your grandchild/grandchildren.



# GRANDPARENT

Grandparents are a very important part of our children's lives. Over the past few years grandparents have helped out in many ways. We would like to welcome more grandparents. Your skills and knowledge are very valuable assets. The most important thing is it gives you the opportunity to enrich your relationship with your grandchild / grandchildren. We are hoping to be able to build a strong grandparent group. Please take a moment to complete this form. It can be sent to school with your grandchild or dropped off at the office any time.

Thank You,

Kathleen Pearce

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## PTA

Help make our school stronger! Help your grandchild's class win our membership contest. Joining Membership is only \$5 per person. Your dues not only help the school, they also help support State and National PTA. These organizations work with legislators on issues affecting all children. They also provide grants and scholarships to schools and students.

Yes I would like to join

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Granchild \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

The best way to reach me is by  E- mail  Phone

Grandparents Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Grandchild/ grandchildren \_\_\_\_\_

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Class(es) \_\_\_\_\_

Grandparent name \_\_\_\_\_

## Volunteer

Over the past two years our Grandparents helped with several activities.

\_\_\_ **SECRET READER:** On a designated day, the secret reader comes as a surprise into the classroom to read to the students.

\_\_\_ **TEACHER LUNCHEON:** Each month students have one half day while teachers have an in-service.

To show our appreciation of all they do for our students we try to give them 3 luncheons per year. For the past two years grandparents have taken care of the second one. This year it will be held on February 14, 2014

\_\_\_ **PTA Meeting / Family Event:** On the third Thursday of each month we hold a PTA Meeting /

Family Event: It starts at 6:00. As we hold our business meeting grandparents have occupied the children by reading and playing games with them. At the completion of our meeting everyone comes together for a special activity and snacks.

\_\_\_ **Holiday Shop** For the past two years a grandparent has run our Holiday Shop Thanks to her ideas

We were able to have a very successful shop. She would like to welcome more grandparents to help her out

**We need people who would like to take leadership roles coordinating and communications ( making sure all of our grandparents are kept informed of**

**Grandparent(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grandchild/grandchildren** \_\_\_\_\_

**Class(es)** \_\_\_\_\_

**upcoming activities) If you would like to serve in this manner please note**

**below. Please feel free to share any ideas below:**

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## WELCOME VPCS FAMILIES

Welcome back to all our returning families. To our new families we are looking forward to getting to know you. We would like to introduce PTA to you. **Our PTA is not the board; it is all our families working together for all our children.** As a PTA we have been very successful because our parents have been very generous with their time and talents. This year we are looking for another great year.

Each year we send out this packet and ask that you please take time out of your very busy schedule to complete these forms. The information collected helps us. In addition to providing us with volunteers for our activities we are able to help the school obtain volunteers for their activities such as Field Day.

The first thing we need you to do is join PTA ( you will receive a separate form).

# FUNDRAISERS

Throughout the year we run fundraisers. The fundraisers we use are chosen on the basis of things we feel our families can use or want. With each fundraiser we stress that at no time do we expect everyone to participate. We offer several types of fundraisers.

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## **SUSTAINING**

These fundraisers run all year. We will continue with our Boxtops and Labels for Education. Last year we introduced a grocery shopping AP. A parent ran a program that collected drink pouches and lunchable packaging. We also tried a gently used clothing program which we are looking into continueing. We would also like to add a Scrip program. We are also hoping to roll out a program

## **SOCIAL**

While we do make some money on these their main purpose is to provide an opportunity for our families to get together and enjoy time with one another. Under this category we have Pizza Hut Night, Chuck E Cheese, Moreys pier and Skating parties etc.. If anyone would like to help or to set up other local restaurants or activities.

## **TRADITIONAL**

These are the fundraisers where we hope to raise some money by selling products. In the past these have included Kidstuf books, Surreybrook ( our frozen desserts delivered in time for Thanksgiving), Little Debbie, Stone House Mixes. If you have ideas please let us know, while we may not be able to use it immediately we keep it on file. This past year we had a parent set us up with a Spring plant sale.

We hope you will find something that works for your family.

# Fundraising

Every school has a budget. When you have a school that is always trying to provide the most up to date and the absolute top education there are always things that the budget does not cover.

PTA exists as a group to partner with the school and families to improve the education and well-being of the children. This is why we fundraise - to provide things that the budget does not cover. We choose our fundraisers based on items we think our families want or can use.

Our fundraising policy: We do not expect all families to participate in any fundraiser. We realize also there will be some families who are unable or who choose not to participate in any.

Even if you cannot participate in fundraisers, do not let that deter you from joining PTA and becoming involved.

In order to accommodate everyone, we have several types of fundraisers.

## Types of Fundraisers

**Sustaining** - These fundraisers run all year. You only spend the money you would normally spend on products you use.

**Box tops** - Each year we have earned money with our Boxtops. We run a contest throughout the year and the winners are the student and class that bring in the most all year.

How it works - Collect Boxtops from participating products. Place them in a zip bag with your child's name and class clearly marked on it or in it. Send in to school and have your child turn them in.

**Labels for Education** - These work similarly to Boxtops. Place in a zip bag with your child's name and class clearly marked and send them in.

## **Shoparoo**

**Shop** - Buy any item from any like you do today.

**Download** - the free Shoparoo App and select our school. Take a picture of your receipt.

**Earn** - Shoparoo donates money to your school per receipt.

**Grocery Receipts** - Snap a picture of your receipt from any store that sells groceries (grocery store, convenience, drug, club, liquor, dollar, super center) - It doesn't matter whether you purchased groceries or other items. Submit up to 20 in a seven day period (Each time you run to Wawa for your morning coffee or gallon of milk, etc).

**Non-grocery** - Snap a picture of a receipt from any restaurant or retail store (restaurants, hardware, department, electronics, sports, office supply, book, arts and crafts, cafes, etc). Each receipt earns an entry into a monthly \$1000 Sweepstakes and a \$15,000 yearly sweepstakes. Submit up to 50 in a seven day period.

**\*\*\*\*** Earn up to 150 extra points for every friend referred who submit's a receipt. Refer by face book post or tweet. Use a personal referral code on Shoparoo App (Get the whole family - Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Godparents, etc).

## **Burgers for Better Schools - Red Robin**

**Sign up** - Text "join" and your email address to 98666 or visit [redrobin.com/better schools](http://redrobin.com/better schools).

Each time that you visit Red Robin, use your royalty card and mention our school, 1% of your check is donated to our school.  
(Every 1% helps!)

**Schoola.com** - This fundraiser benefits everyone on several levels.

Go to [schoola.com](http://schoola.com), select our school and request one or more prepaid bags.

Go through yours and your child's gently used clothing that are not being used anymore.

Put these clothes in the bag to send to [schoola.com](http://schoola.com).

The clothing will be displayed and priced on our page. You can then view our page and those from other schools to "buy a whole new wardrobe" for fraction of the cost. (Some items still have their original tags on them.)

**Social** - While we do make some money on these, their main purpose is to provide an opportunity for our families to get together and enjoy time with one another. In this category, we have restaurant night such as Pizza Hut Night, Chuck E. Cheese, etc. We also schedule activity events such as Morey's Pier (summer discount passes or Halloween tickets).

If anyone would like to help set these up (or other local restaurants or activities), please contact us.

**Traditional** - These are the fundraisers where we hope to raise some money by selling products (Kidstuff books, Grand Café, etc). If you have ideas, please send them in.

Over the year, we also run things such as a Holiday Shop and Book Fair which, while earning money, provide opportunities for students. The Holiday Shop provides the students the opportunity to purchase economical presents for family and friends. The Book Fair lets us provide a situation where we can encourage a love of reading in our students.



## Homeroom Activities

Our homeroom parents assist the teachers by contacting parents about classroom parties and other special activities. In order to keep you informed of these events, it is important you fill out the form below.

\*\*\* I \_\_\_\_\_ give my permission to give my phone number email address to my child/children's homeroom parents.

\*\*\*All information will be used for PTA and class activities. All Homeroom parents are instructed not to share your information with anyone else.

Parent Name	Email	Cell	Home
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Child/Children Name	Class
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Any concerns or questions. (Best way to contact you, etc.)

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I \_\_\_\_\_ would like to be considered as a Homeroom Parent for my child's class.

# Heritage

We have a great diversity of cultures in our school. We like to offer opportunities to share these cultures with all the students. In the past, we have had families provide assemblies on Asian and East Indian culture to the student body. Two years ago all our classes studied countries and then shared their information with the rest of the student body.

If you or another member of your family would like to share your heritage, please complete below.

Culture \_\_\_\_\_

I \_\_\_\_\_ can share \_\_\_\_\_ Customs \_\_\_\_\_ Food

\_\_\_\_\_ Music \_\_\_\_\_ Dance \_\_\_\_\_ Stories \_\_\_\_\_ Crafts

\_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

# Extracurricular

This year the school is hoping to offer more opportunities for family involvement. If you have a talent (coaching, a hobby you enjoy, etc) please complete below. The information below will help in the development of these programs.

Parent Name

Talent

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

# Career

As our students get older, Community and Careers become a very important part of their education. How can you help? Does your employer partner with schools? Do they have a matching fund program?

I would like to participate in a Career Day.

Best available time for me to be reached

Day

Time

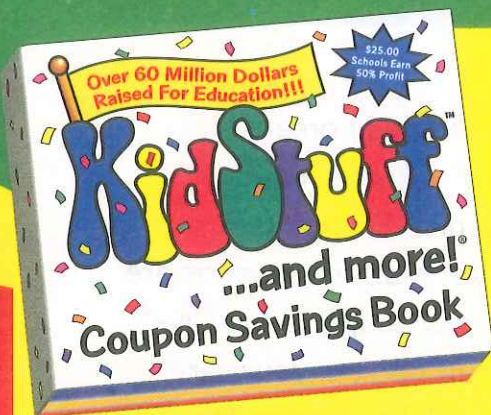
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Best time for me to volunteer

Day

Time

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- Cincinnati Area - Hamilton, Butler, Warren, Clermont & Brown Counties (**CIN**) **NEW!**
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- Central – Baltimore, Montgomery, Prince George's, Howard, Anne Arundel, Carroll, Harford & Frederick Counties (**MD**)

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## MASSACHUSETTS

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- Morris, Essex, Union, Warren & Sussex Counties (**MEUWS**)
- Southern – Camden, Gloucester, Atlantic, Salem, Cape May & Cumberland Counties (**SNJ**)

## NEW YORK

- Buffalo Area – Erie, Niagara, Chautauqua & Cattaraugus Counties (**BUF**) **NEW!**
- Long Island – Nassau, Suffolk & Queens Counties (**LINY**)
- Rochester Area – Monroe, Ontario, Wayne, Livingston, Genesee & Orleans Counties (**ROC**) **NEW!**
- Westchester, Rockland & Putnam Counties (**WRP**)

## TEXAS

- Dallas, Collin, Denton & Rockwall Counties (**DAL**)

## ILLINOIS

- Chicago Area – Cook, DuPage, Lake & Will Counties (**CHI**)

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

- Southern – Hillsborough, Rockingham, Merrimack, Strafford, Cheshire, Belknap & Sullivan Counties (**NH**)

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School \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher/Class \_\_\_\_\_

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★★★★★ Rebecca B.

1. Please send cash or checks and money orders payable to the **Vineland Public Charter School PTA.**
2. Fill out the Money Collection Envelope including the edition(s) you are ordering and enclose payment of \$25 per book. Additional books ordered will be sent home at the end of our sale! If purchasing 1 book, pay \$25 and keep the book sent home.
3. Return your completed Money Collection Envelope to your child's teacher by **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2015.**
4. If you have any questions, please contact Kathleen Pearce by email: [mommompearce@gmail.com](mailto:mommompearce@gmail.com) or 856-982-9884.

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