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Dear Parents,

Hello! On behalf of our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), we would like to extend a warm welcome to all new and returning families of Fawn Hollow Elementary School. We are looking forward to an exciting new year!

For those of you who are unfamiliar with us, we are a volunteer organization made up of parents, teachers, administrators, and support staff who are all dedicated to the successful education of our children. Fawn Hollow PTO strives to provide educational and cultural support for the Fawn Hollow Elementary School student body, as well as provide social opportunities for the whole Fawn Hollow Elementary School community.

Did you know that our PTO offsets the cost of field trips by \$10 per student, provides all incoming kindergartners and new students with headphones, and purchases agendas and communication folders for all students every year? We also sponsor all cultural events at the school which includes at least two author visits yearly and our end of year entertainment! In addition, we help the school by providing books for our library and the annual Big Read, funding school beautification efforts, as well as assisting the school's technology needs. We sponsor many social events, including Welcome Back Social, Trick or Trunk, Holiday Breakfast, Movie Night, Bingo Night, Mother/Son-Father/Daughter Events and End of Year Picnic! We also give back to our community through efforts like the Backpack Project, Monroe Scholarship Fund, and Masuk Post Prom.

Some of our upcoming goals include the following:

- Fund updates to both playgrounds
- Fund the start of our very own community garden at Fawn Hollow!
- Fund the author visits by Mark Schwartz and Andrea Pinkney
- Fund Tere Lune and a five-piece mariachi band
- Fund Grow with Me Trees for all incoming kindergartners
- Fund Teacher Appreciation Events (Back to School and Teacher Appreciation Week)

None of this is possible, however, without continued parent involvement! We need YOU! Your support is critical to the success of our PTO and there are many ways in which you can be involved. A full list of opportunities can be located at our website under "Volunteer Opportunities". In addition to these volunteer opportunities, we would like to encourage your support in our many fundraising events. Please refer to fundraising attachment.

Finally, we hope to see you at our meetings! This is a great way to meet the board and our principal, Mrs. Kosisko, and to voice your questions and/or concerns. Many of us have made lasting friendships through the PTO, and we look forward to meeting you! We meet monthly at Fawn Hollow in the teacher's lounge. Our meeting dates are as follows:

<b>9/24</b> 10:30AM meeting after Room Rep Breakfast	<b>1/21</b> 7:30PM Meeting
<b>9/29</b> 7:00PM PTO Meet and Greet	<b>2/18</b> 7:30PM Meeting
<b>10/15</b> 7:30PM Meeting	<b>3/17</b> 9:30AM Meeting
<b>11/19</b> 7:30PM Meeting	<b>4/21</b> 7:30PM Meeting – Ballot Vote
<b>NO MEETING IN DECEMBER</b>	<b>5/19</b> 7:30PM Meeting

Thank you very much for your continued support. We look forward to a successful year! Please check out our PTO website at <http://www.fawnhollowpto.org> to meet our 2015-2016 board and for further information.

Kind regards,  
Ninel Cusa and Lisa Pavia (PTO Co-Presidents)