

# PAW PRINTS

HICKORY CENTER PTO NEWSLETTER



## President's Message

Thank you everyone for all your participation in the September PTO events! A big thank you to all the volunteers, we couldn't have these fun events for our students without your help! Our big goal for this year is to cover partial field trips costs and cover improvements to the playground grounds to help reduce flooding so our students can get outside and play sooner after storms! By participating in our PTO events, we can help meet those goals! Remember our monthly PTO meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm in the cafeteria. Enter via door 2. Our next meeting is Tuesday October 3rd.

The first graders are leading in the participation in the most PTO events attended for the month of September. They had a total of 65 friends participate in the September Movie Night and Enrichment Programs! Way to go first graders! Remember students are competing for a grade level movie and popcorn party at the end of the year provided by the PTO!

Have a great month!  
Amanda Fudge  
PTO President

**PTO Board**

**President:**  
Amanda Fudge

**Vice President:**  
Chaylee Anderson

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Kari Akey

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Katie Fultz

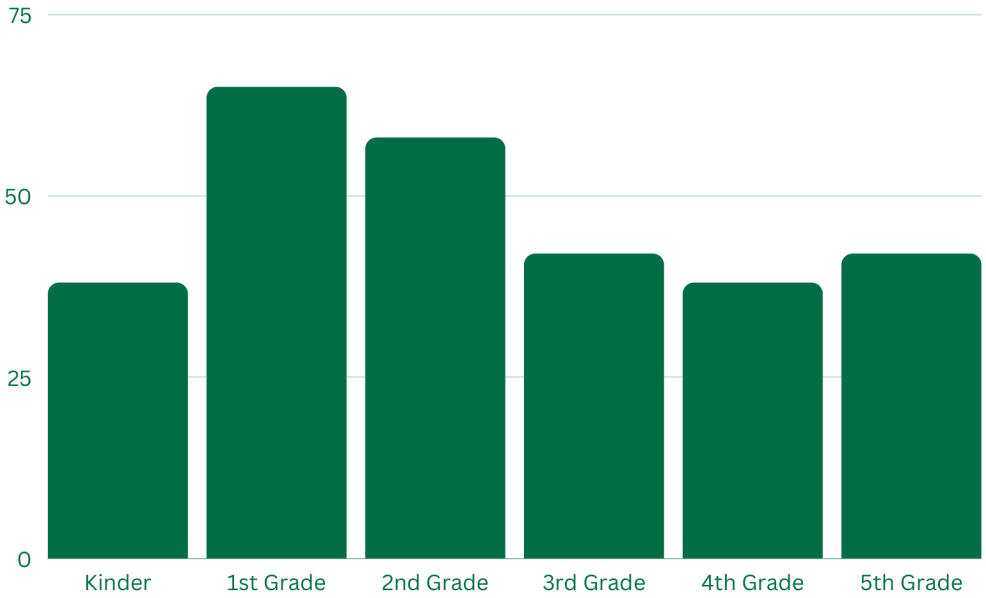
**Communications:**  
Sarah Starcher

**Volunteer Coordinator:**  
Open

**Ways and Means:**  
Sarah Beth Shaffer

**Teacher Representatives:**  
Jenn Fitch & Kaylin Nichols

## PTO Participation Grade Wars



Upcoming Events & for more information keep scrolling!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 PTO Meeting 6:30p	4 Staff & Teacher Luncheon (4th Grade)	5	6 Fall Carnival 6p-8p	7
8	9 Turn in Laundry Soap Forms  Casa Dine to Donate 5p-9p	10 Enrichment: Painting Class w/ Mrs. Gordon Art Room	11	12 Enrichment: Lucky Locks Hair Sparkles Cafeteria	13 Movie Night: Finnick	14
15	16	17 Enrichment: Tie Dye Shirts Cafeteria	18	19	20 Parent Teacher Conferences	21
22	23 Fall Break- No School	24 Enrichment: Cupcake Decorating Cafeteria	25	26 Enrichment: Soccer Gym	27 Popcorn Day!	28
29	30	31 Enrichment: Candle Making Cafeteria	November 1	2	3	4



Check out our Cheddar UP website for all PTO Fundraising Event Sign Ups!

<https://hickorycenterpto.mycheddarup.com> or scan the QR codes on the event flyers!

# FUNDRAISING EVENT COORDINATORS

**Spring Enrichment:** Open

**Cross Country:** Kaylin Nichols/Amanda Fudge

**RaiseRight:** Mike Fudge

**Movie Night:** Amy Johnson/Amanda Fudge

**Popcorn:** Kathy Phillips/ Amanda Fudge/ Kaylin Nichols

**End of Year Celebration:** Kortney Sirk

**Holiday Shoppe:** Katie Fultz

**Penny/Grade Wars:** Kortney Sirk

**Glow Dance:** Sarah Beth Shaffer

**BINGO Night:** Chaylee Andersobn

**Spirit War:** Pay Donely (Game One)/ Amanda Fudge

**Silent Auction:** Molly Golden

**Carnival:** Molly Golden

**Yearbook:** Chaylee Anderson

**Dessert Dash:** Kamie Libey

**School Supply Kits:** Kamie Libey

**Mad Anthony Soap Fundraiser:**

Katie Fultz/ Amanda Fudge

**Dine and Donate:** Katie Fultz/ Amanda Fudge



## RaiseRight™

### You earn money and support Hickory Center PTO.

**Participating families received up to \$500 in rebate checks last year!**

RaiseRight is a mobile app, which allows you and your family to purchase eGift cards & Gift Cards for everyday purchases!

- Rewards can be as high as 20% of your purchase price and are split 50/50 between Hickory Center & Your Family
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# HICKORY CENTER SCHOOL CARNIVAL

## OCTOBER 6 FROM 6:00PM-8:00PM

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR ALL THE FUN AND ACTIVITIES!**

**FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF HICKORY CENTER ARE INVITED!!  
CHILDREN DO NOT HAVE TO BE STUDENTS AT HC TO PARTICIPATE!**

**15 DIFFERENT GAMES AND PRIZES**

- SCAVENGER HUNT**
- FACE PAINTING**
- BALLOON ANIMALS**
- BOUNCY HOUSES**



**\$5 meal includes 1 piece of pizza, chips  
and a drink or purchase a single slice of  
pizza for \$2.**

**Whip and Chill, Snobiz and The Grind Mobile Espresso  
food trucks will also be available for purchase.**

**\$10 PRESALE BRACELETS:  
COVERS ALL ACTIVITIES!  
\$15 AT THE DOOR**



**Purchase presale tickets on  
CheddarUp or scan the QR code!**





# PARENT SPONSORED LUNCHEONS FOR TEACHERS AND STAFF!

We have a fun monthly luncheon for our teachers and staff sponsored by Hickory Center parents to show them how much we appreciate what they do for our children each day! A full belly is an appreciated belly!

Each month a Grade Level will sponsor the luncheon with donated to match the theme of the month!

Thank you to our 5th grade parents for their help with potato bar!

Next up: 4th grade parents, we will be providing the teachers and staff with lunch on October 4th!





# Hickory Center Fundraiser with Mad Anthony Laundry Detergent Fundraiser

We are asking for your help in our annual Mad Anthony Laundry Detergent Fundraiser. We are raising funds for our PTO to help make updates to the Hickory Center Playground, pay for some field trips for students, and support our Teachers and Staff!

The fundraiser will run from Friday 09/25/2023 thru Monday 10/06/2023. We are using the Cheddar Up app as the order form and to collect payments from your family and friends. The Cheddar Up website and QR code are below. There is an option to send in payments (cash / check) in Cheddar Up, if someone writes a check for payment they need to be made out to the Hickory Center PTO.

<https://mad-anthony-laundry-detergent-fundraiser-copy.cheddarup.com>



Mad Anthony Laundry Soap is locally owned in Huntertown IN.





**SHOW DATE: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2023**

**SHOW TIME: 2:40PM (STUDENTS WILL GO TO THE CAFETERIA AFTER SCHOOL)**

**\*BE SURE TO SEND A TRANSPORTATION CHANGE NOTE TO YOUR STUDENT'S TEACHER**

**PICK-UP: 4:45PM IN THE GYM (ENTER VIA DOOR 2)**

**COST OF SHOW: \$7.00 (INCLUDES MOVE, POPCORN AND A SNACK)**

**WHO: THE FIRST 200 HICKORY CENTER STUDENTS ONLY**

**\*STUDENTS MAY BRING A PILLOW, BLANKET AND ONE STUFFED ANIMAL. REMEMBER TO SEND A WATER BOTTLE WITH A CLOSED LID FOR YOUR STUDENT. STUDENTS ARE SITTING BY GRADE IN THE GYM. IF YOUR STUDENT HAS A FOOD ALLERGY, PLEASE SEND AN ALTERNATIVE SNACK.**

**RESERVE THE TICKET BY: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11TH BY 5PM ON THE HICKORY CENTER PTO'S CHEDDARUP PAGE.**



HICKORY CENTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S

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to browse and place your order today!

For questions contact, Amanda Fudge at [HickoryCenterPTOPresident@gmail.com](mailto:HickoryCenterPTOPresident@gmail.com)

**SHOW YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT - ORDER TODAY!**



Password: huskies



## **After School Enrichment Program**

Classes for October are filling up fast! Last day to sign up is October 6th by 5pm. If a class doesn't meet the minimum number of participants, you will be refunded!

Classes in October are listed below and run from 2:30pm to 3:30pm (unless otherwise noted in the class description on Cheddar Up). Transportation home from these classes is the responsibility of the parent/guardian. \*\*Remember to send in a change of transportation note on the day of class\*\*

All registration for classes will be completed on the Cheddar Up website. Please make sure to complete separate forms if signing up multiple students for one event.

Students will be brought out with their Enrichment teacher. You do not need to get out of the car. Be sure to mark down dates when collection closes the calendar will no longer be available. Note: If a class doesn't meet the minimum number of participants, you will be refunded

October Registration is OPEN now on our Cheddar Up page:

<https://hickorycenterpto.mycheddarup.com> or scanning the QR code below

### **October Enrichment Classes**

- Tuesday, October 10: Painting Class
- Thursday, October 12: Lucky Lock Hair Sparkles
- Tuesday, October 17: Tie Dye T-shirts
- Tuesday, October 24: Cupcake Decorating
- Thursday, October 26: Soccer





**POPCORN FRIDAY**  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27**  
**SEND IN YOUR \$1 STARTING**  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 23**

**\*1 BAG PER STUDENT PLEASE**







# Kroger Community Rewards Program

## Step-by-Step Instructions

For years Kroger has been helping local schools, churches and other qualified nonprofit organizations earn millions of dollars through their Kroger Community Rewards Program. They have recently made that program even easier...and Hickory Center PTO is proud to be part of Kroger's Community Reward Program!

You can easily support your Hickory Center PTO by following these simple steps to enroll in the Kroger Community Reward Program!

First go to [Kroger.com](https://www.kroger.com) or [pay-less.com](https://www.pay-less.com)

Sign-in or Create an Account then set up your store to shop in the upper right-hand corner.

Under your name (top right) click on the arrow to My Account. Click on "My Account"

On the left side, click on Preferences and make sure the preferred store listed is your local store, make any changes necessary.

On the left-hand side choose "Community Rewards" then click on "Enroll" or "Change Organization"

You can then search "Hickory Center Elementary PTO" or by the Organization Number: QP133

Once you find the organization you will click "Enroll"

You will see a green circle with a check mark message that says "You have successfully enrolled in Community Rewards"

If this doesn't work, log out completely, clear your browser history, cache and cookies.

When you log back into [Kroger.com](https://www.kroger.com), go back to Community Rewards and type the name or organization number and click on the search (magnify glass) NOT ENTER, and you should find your organization and click enroll.

Please reach out to Amanda Fudge at [HickoryCenterPTO@gmail.com](mailto:HickoryCenterPTO@gmail.com) with questions.

