

PLEASANT RIDGE PTA

2015-16 End of Year Update

Dear PR family,

WOW! I am so proud of the impact our parents and staff have had on our school. Together, we are giving our kids the very best foundation possible. Technology, reading, science, math, safety, field trips, and more. And don't forget the fun events and friendships! We are about supporting the whole child- academics and social well being, in a safe environment.

Pleasant Ridge is such a wonderful community and I am grateful we get to spend these years together. Thank you to all of our PTA Board, Chairs, volunteers, staff and principal Brad Bezeau, who will be greatly missed next year.

Have a fun summer and see you in the Fall.

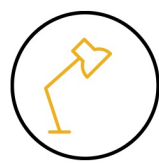
PR Pride!
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PR PRIDE

Your engagement and support made a difference



Due to an initiative led by our PR parents a **district-wide strategy for reduced class sizes is in place**



Your fundraising efforts raised **almost \$50,000 for PR**



140 Volunteers on bench list; 90 PTA members (including Parents, friends & staff); 46 Chairs for 36 Events in the 2015/16 school year



We celebrated some old traditions and events in a big way as we marked our 25th anniversary and started some new ones.

We hope you were able to make new friends along the way, and had a great year celebrating Pleasant Ridge Pride, here on "The Ridge!"

BUILDING ON OUR PR PRIDE

Through our fundraisers, **You** helped raise more than **\$49,000** to invest in our children at Pleasant Ridge

Their future is our business.



Fall Fundraiser	23,431.71
Spring Fundraiser	5,000.00
GM Box Tops	2,679.69
Book Fairs	2,598.00
PR@Gratzi	2,375.00
Yankee Candles	2,346.78
Busch's	2,269.93
Pancake Dinner	1,600.00
T-Shirts	1,553.24
Target	1,214.39
Membership Dues	900.00
Dough Nights	791.90
Kroger Cards	576.95
School of Rock	400.00
FSAS Raffle	365.00
Kalahari	250.00
Meijer Cards	234.45
Zap Zone	228.00
Other passive fundraisers (AmazonSmile, Market Day, Coke Tops, etc)	523.65

INVESTING IN "THE RIDGE"

mini-grants for teacher requests **\$3,000+**

Caldwell - Books	59.79
Soenen - Field Trips	660.00
Marshall- 3rd Grade Folders	409.40
Welzbacher - Safety Patrol Belts	106.50
Bell - Biographies on Wheels	387.58
Welton - PE Upgrade	285.12
Twork - Learning Centers	130.45
Ouellette - Instrument Petting Zoo	100.00
Schrieber - Mini Ipads	807.00
Marshall - Fiesta Night Dancers	100.00



"If we teach today's students as we taught yesterday's, we rob them of tomorrow."

- John Dewey

\$25,000+ committed to strategic grants

Walkie Talkie Update	2,384.00
Wobble Chairs	3,869.14
Literacy Library Update	4,000.00
Apple TV Monitor	2,417.67
GoPro Camera Set	1,500.00
Chrome Books	11,500.00

LOOKING AHEAD ...

Over the next year, the PTA will look forward to your support as new members are ushered onto the board, a new principal embraces our community, and new families are welcomed to our PR family. All in addition to a lot of new changes in our building. It's going to be different around here but our PR PRIDE will remain strong and familiar! Thank you again for a great year! - the 2015-16 PRPTA BOARD



To our families moving on

Principal Bezeau and our third graders, we will miss your smiles and familiar faces in our hallways and on "The Ridge." It definitely won't be the same around here.

It's been a pleasure supporting and creating PR experiences with you, we hope you truly enjoyed your time here. We wish you all the best and know you'll do great on your next adventure.

We look forward to seeing you soon as alumni of our Pleasant Ridge community. Please keep in touch and stop by soon!



The 2016-17 Board would love to hear your ideas for next year!

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K Rep: Amy Wallen
1st Grade: Cris Supina
2nd Grade: Jill Stacy
3rd Grade: Jackie Sweet

STAY CONNECTED WITH US ...

We'll see you at the Welcome Back event on Monday, September 12th! Until then, keep in touch and have a great summer break!



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