

# Tiger Tales

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Meetings are usually held the first Monday of each month. Meeting notices go out via the listserv and paper copies in the students' backpacks. Notices are also posted on the bulletin board outside the main office.

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## Welcome to the Beverly J. Martin PTA!

We invite you to join us this year in supporting our students, families and teachers by becoming a member of the BJM PTA!

### Why join the BJM PTA?

Every child, parent and teacher benefits from the creative involvement of families (parents, grandparents and caregivers) in school. The BJM PTA is committed to creating a positive impact on our students' learning and school experience by nurturing an inclusive, informed and involved community of families and teachers dedicated to promoting the educational and personal success of all our students.

### What does the BJM PTA do?

- Promote our sense of community by being involved in school and PTA activities, by contributing to our Newsletter and Email Listserv, by contributing to our School Directory and expected Yearbook and by participating in the annual Millicent Clarke-Maynard Multicultural Dinner
- Promote our educational experience by supporting the BJM Science Fair, Book Blast, Scholastic Book Fair and Complementary Programs
- Enhance our physical space through playground design and development, landscape planting and clean up
- Keep our community informed through Newsletters, Billboards, Email Listserv, Classroom Parent Networks and monthly PTA Meetings
- Advocate on behalf of our students, teachers and families through involvement in PTA Council and ICSD meetings
- Support our teachers by funding the annual Teacher Mini-Grants which assists them in offsetting their start of year costs
- Fundraise for our programs through the collection of Box-Tops, Printer Cartridges, Barnes & Noble Book Fair and donations

### How can I be involved?

- **Become a member** by filling out the attached membership form and indicating your areas of interest and how you would like to help. Your annual fee of \$5 goes to pay for both our fees to the National PTA and our insurance costs.
- **Participate** in PTA meetings, committees and programs.
- **Volunteer** to serve on the PTA or in the classroom. Share your skills and/or time in PTA events, programs or fundraising.
- **Stay informed** by reading newsletters, notices and by keeping in touch with teachers, staff and families. Sign up for our email listserv by going to [BJMPTA-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:BJMPTA-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).

# BJM PTA Meeting

Monday, September 8, 2008

*in the cafeteria*

Dinner 5:30

Meeting 6:00-7:00

*child care provided*

Agenda:

A: Welcome

B: Discussion Topic: What would I like  
to see in the PTA?

C: Election of PTA Board members

*Meet other families*

*Get involved*

*Bring your questions and ideas!*

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## Family Barbecue

Thursday, September 11

5:30 pm



Come join the BJM community for this  
annual free event!

# Beverly J Martin PTA

## Membership and Volunteer Sign Up Sheet



"Many hands make light work." -- John Heywood

Name \_\_\_\_\_ ( )  for BJM staff

Address \_\_\_\_\_ ( )  x DO NOT print in directory

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ ( )  email listserv

Children(s) name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**X** Yes, I can volunteer! I have marked the activities that I am interested in.

### Committees / Events / Activities

- \_\_\_\_\_ Back-to-School Events
- \_\_\_\_\_ Basketball Concessions
- \_\_\_\_\_ Enrichment After School
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fundraisers
- \_\_\_\_\_ Membership
- \_\_\_\_\_ Multi-Cultural Dinner
- \_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter
- \_\_\_\_\_ Playground Design
- \_\_\_\_\_ Room Parent
- \_\_\_\_\_ Scholastic Book Fair
- \_\_\_\_\_ School Beautification/Landscaping
- \_\_\_\_\_ School Directory
- \_\_\_\_\_ Science Fair
- \_\_\_\_\_ Site Council/Advocacy
- \_\_\_\_\_ Social/Community Building
- \_\_\_\_\_ Staff Appreciation Brunch
- \_\_\_\_\_ Web Development/Yahoo Group



- \_\_\_\_\_ I prefer to do tasks at home.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I prefer to do tasks in the evenings.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I prefer to do tasks on the weekends.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I want to help by donating refreshments throughout the year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I want to donate my expertise in \_\_\_\_\_.