

# WELCOME

The Whittier PTA would like to welcome your family to Whittier for another great year. The PTA strives to help make the school year as fun, educational, and productive as possible.

In this packet of information, you will find important dates and PTA event information for the first half of the school year. There are also instructions on how to sign up for e-mail updates and the PTA Website.

This packet includes:

- Calendar for important PTA and School activities and dates for the first half of the year
- A listing of important websites, PTA committees and contact names.
- Information on our major fundraiser – the Whittier Walk-A-Thon
- Details on rewards programs that families can participate in to help benefit the school (Market Day; Box Tops; Campbell Soup Labels)
- Sign Up form for the Whittier Student Directory

The PTA strives to make this school the best place for all the students. We want to be a huge resource for the school and we welcome and seek your involvement and direction.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to join the PTA and attend our monthly meetings (held once a month on a Thursday evening – see the attached calendar for dates). Attending keeps you more informed and, as a member, you have a vote in all PTA decisions.

We look forward to having you join the PTA. Welcome back!!!

Claire  
Curran  
(President)

Catherine  
Layson  
(1<sup>st</sup> VP)

Susan Henry  
(2<sup>nd</sup> VP)

Jodi Dixon  
(Treasurer)

Rachel  
Sanabria  
(Secretary)

# Important PTA Information

## PTA Meeting Dates

- September 16<sup>th</sup>
- October 21<sup>st</sup>
- November 18<sup>th</sup>
- December – NO MEETING
- January 20<sup>th</sup>
- February 17<sup>th</sup>
- March 24<sup>th</sup>
- April 28<sup>th</sup>
- May 26<sup>th</sup>

Note: All meetings start at 7:00 pm and take place in the Kindergarten Room). Meeting dates are subject to change based upon other school activities or unforeseen events (e.g. snow days). Please sign up for the Whittier PTA E-mail to stay abreast of changes.

## PTA Officers

<i>Name</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>E-mail</i>	<i>Phone</i>
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\*WPC – Westerville Parent Council

## Important Weblinks

Whittier PTA Website	<a href="http://www.wcsoh.org/olc/class.aspx?id=1376&amp;s=3371">http://www.wcsoh.org/olc/class.aspx?id=1376&amp;s=3371</a>
Whittier Yahoo Groups	<a href="http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WhittierElementaryPTA/">http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WhittierElementaryPTA/</a> <note: you must register to have access – select the “Join This Group” and our Yahoo Group moderator will approve you>
Market Day	<a href="http://www.marketday.com">www.marketday.com</a> <note: remember to select “Whittier” as your pick up school>
Westerville City Schools	<a href="http://www.westerville.k12.oh.us/">http://www.westerville.k12.oh.us/</a>
Westerville City Schools – Whittier Elementary	<a href="http://www.westerville.k12.oh.us/school_home.aspx?schoolID=23">http://www.westerville.k12.oh.us/school_home.aspx?schoolID=23</a>

# Market Day

“Market Day” is a grocery program that allows you to purchase food items and a portion of the proceeds gets donated back to the school. Each month, you have the opportunity to order quality products such as portioned meats, premade entrees, and individual-size servings of beverages and after school snacks.

10% of Whittier’s total sales each month go to the PTA. This money helps the PTA provide funding for field trips and field trip transportation. In the 2009-10 calendar year, Market Day raised \$1850!

Since its inception over 30 years ago, Market Day has raised over \$450 million for America’s kids and communities. Market Day’s portfolio of fundraisers includes its flagship monthly grocery program, along with single event opportunities from top-quality foods, gifts, chocolates, and magazines to help organizations achieve fundraising success. Market Day is a fundraiser like no other – providing a comprehensive assortment of fundraising programs and products to over 8000 organizations across the country.

Check out Market Day online at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com). While Market Day is moving to a more electronic ordering system, please contact our school’s Market Day coordinator if you’d like a paper order form: Susan Eckles at [caseyandsusan1@yahoo.com](mailto:caseyandsusan1@yahoo.com) or 614-865-0405.

## **Market Day Pickup Dates (pickup times from 5:00 – 6:00 pm)**

- September 7<sup>th</sup>
- October 5<sup>th</sup>
- November 2<sup>nd</sup>
- December – NO MARKET DAY
- January 11<sup>th</sup>
- February 8<sup>th</sup>
- March 8<sup>th</sup>
- April 12<sup>th</sup>
- May 10<sup>th</sup>



# Box Tops for Education

Another way the Whittier PTA easily raises money to support the school is via Box Tops for Education. By clipping Box Tops from participating products, or shopping at participating retailers, you can help earn additional funds for our school. Since 1996, over \$300 million has been raised for schools through the Box Tops for Education program.

## Whittier - 2010-11 School Year

Our Goal:	\$1,254
Earned So Far:	\$264
Earned during 2009-10 School Year:	\$1,045

There are multiple ways that you can help us reach our 2010-11 Goal:

- Clip Box Tops coupons from your favorite products, earning \$.10 each.
- Shop online at your favorite retailers, like Best Buy, Target and Gap, earning up to 15%
- Buy books online through the Reading Room, earning up to 6%
- Purchase items for your child's classroom, earning up to 2%

Besides clipping out Box Tops, you can also sign up at [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com) and select "Join Box Tops" at the top right hand corner. This will give you access to bonus offers, status updates on how much Whittier has earned towards our goal, and the Box Tops Marketplace where you can shop online retailers and earn money for the school.

For more information, please contact our Box Tops for Education coordinator, Amy French, at [afrench2@columbus.rr.com](mailto:afrench2@columbus.rr.com) or 882-6440.



# Labels for Education

Dear Parents:

Welcome back to school! The *Labels for Education*<sup>SM</sup> program is a great way to get FREE merchandise for our school. Participating in this program is easy – simply save proofs of purchase from participating Campbell products and send them to our school. Some of the products eligible for redemption for the 2010-11 program year include:

- *Campbell's*® soups (1 pt and 5 pt)
- *SpaghettioOs*® Pasta (1 pt and 5 pt)
- *Prego*® Italian sauces (1 pt)
- *V8*® soups (5 pt)
- *Campbell's*® beans, gravies, and canned pasta (1 pt)
- *Swanson*® broths & canned poultry (1 pt)
- *Campbell's*® tomato juice (1 pt)
- *Bic*® pens and highlighters (1 pt)
- *V8*® beverages (1 pt)
- *Pop Secret*® microwave popcorn (5 pt and 10 pt)

Visit [www.labelsforeducation.com](http://www.labelsforeducation.com) for a complete list of eligible products and point values.

Help multiply our efforts by asking your friends, family members, and coworkers to collect proofs of purchase on behalf of our school.

If you have any questions, or would like to help with our *Labels for Education*<sup>SM</sup> collection drive, please contact our program coordinator, Jane Collinsworth, at 614-392-2387 or at [janecollinsworth@yahoo.com](mailto:janecollinsworth@yahoo.com).

Thanks so much for your support. Together, with *Campbell's Labels for Education*<sup>SM</sup>, we can build a better school for our children.

Sincerely,

Jane Collinsworth.

# Whittier Student Directory

Each year, the Whittier PTA produces and distributes a Student and School Directory. Besides providing a one-stop-shop for important PTA and School information, it allows families to stay in touch with other Whittier families.

Please fill out the below form and send to school with your kid no later than September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010 so that we can provide the most accurate directory possible. Only one form per family necessary.

<b>Parent / Guardian Name</b>			<b>Parent / Guardian Name</b>		
<b>Address</b>			<b>Address</b>		
<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Zip</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Zip</b>
<b>Phone Number</b>			<b>Phone Number</b>		
<b>E-mail Address</b>			<b>E-mail Address</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Sign me up for Whittier PTA E-mail Alerts			<input type="checkbox"/> Sign me up for Whittier PTA E-mail Alerts		

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

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Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_