

Dear CSS Parent,

On behalf of the Parents Association, welcome to the 2009-2010 school year! I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the board members of the Colorado Springs Parents Association (CSSPA).

- Donna Cagle, Vice-President
- Misti Johnston, Secretary
- Ruth Khan, Treasurer
- At-large members: Lisa Cullity, Suzanne Holland, Stephanie Mason, Anne Musgrave, Daria Parker, Krista Peel, Susie Runyan, and Diane Weidman

All CSS parents are members of the CSSPA, and are welcomed and encouraged to participate in our activities. We hope to get you acquainted with the events, friend-raisers, and fundraisers sponsored by the CSPAA to benefit the kids and staff of the Colorado Springs School. Please mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

Welcome Coffee: August 20,, 2009; 8:00-9:00, Upper Terrace. Louisa Arts Center  
Carnival/Fun Run: October 2; 12:10 -3:00 on the Quad  
Connection Coffee: February 4, 2010, 8:15, Versailles Room  
Faculty/Staff Appreciation: October 21, 2009 and January 28, 2010

All are a great opportunity for parents to be connected and re-connected. You may always check the CSS website: [css.org](http://css.org) for information regarding parents' association events, or e-mail us at [parentsassociation@css.org](mailto:parentsassociation@css.org) with specific questions

Our major fundraisers to support our outstanding faculty and school are the Fun Run, October 2, 2009, beginning at 12:10 p.m., and the Garage Sale, April 10, 2009. **Proceeds from these events help to sponsor teacher seminars, purchase of equipment for the classrooms, faculty and staff appreciation events, and much more.**

Another fundraiser, which takes place in the fall, is the Sally Foster Gift Wrap Sale. Wonderful gift-wraps of all varieties, themes and occasions, candy and gifts can be ordered on-line or through the school. This year we will also be providing a "green choice" for gift-wrap and gift purchases. Your orders are delivered by mid-November, in time for the holidays and the best part: **CSS retains 50% of the sales proceeds!**

Volunteers are a vital part of the CSS community. We encourage you to introduce yourselves into the community, support our school life through fundraising, and volunteer opportunities. We believe in making our kids and their education a priority. Attached are some of the volunteer opportunities that are available. Please look over the form and check the boxes where you would like to help. In addition, sign-up sheets for volunteering will be available at the New Family Picnic and Ice Cream Social, August 18, 2009, as well as the Welcome Coffee, August 20, 2009.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. The Parents' Association Board and I extend to you and your family a warm Kodiak Welcome!

Sincerely,

Karla Heard-Price, President Colorado Springs School Parents Association