

The Champion School

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Upcoming Events

December 9th

Executive Board Meeting

Media Center 7pm

December 11th

General Body PTA Meeting & Holiday Program

Gym 6pm

December 12th

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

Parent Center- 11am-1pm

December 12th

Student Holiday Dance

Gym- 4pm-6pm

December 22-January 5th

Winter Break



The True Meaning of Christmas

Brian K Walters

In today's day and time it's easy to lose sight, of the true meaning of Christmas and one special night. When we go shopping, we say "How much will it cost?"

Then the true meaning of Christmas, somehow becomes lost.

Amidst the tinsel, glitter and ribbons of gold, we forget about the child, born on a night so cold. The children look for Santa, in his big, red sleigh never thinking of the child whose bed was made of hay.

In reality, when we look into the night sky, we don't see a sleigh but a star, burning bright and high. A faithful reminder, of that night so long ago, and of the child we call Jesus, whose love, the world would know.

Wishing you a blessed holiday season and a Happy New Year!!!
Champion PTSA Family

We need you to get connected!

In addition to using the school's website, the PTSA uses a web-based application called Just Between Friends to send out emails regarding PTSA activities. Please take a moment to join JBF by following these simple steps so we can keep you connected:

1. Visit www.justbetweenfriends.com
2. Click the login button
3. Select Sign up For a Free Account
4. Follow the prompts to create your household and all members associated.
5. You will be sent a validation code that will allow you to proceed.
6. Once your account is created click on the Link to a Group/View Our Groups and enter the invitation code 394433tok
7. Start receiving emails!

HOLIDAY DANCE



To kick off the holidays and a wonderful winter break, the PTSA is sponsoring a Holiday Dance for the students on Friday December 12th from 4pm-6pm in the school's gym. Avoid the lines and pre-purchase your ticket at the school store on Monday December 8th from 7:45am-9am in the school's gym. Tickets will be sold at the door. Ticket prices are \$3.00 for student PTSA members (with card) and \$5.00 for non-PTSA members. Concessions will be sold. A holiday treat will be given for each student in attendance!!! Parents are asked to pick up student(s) promptly at **6:00 pm** outside the school's gym.

Champions of Health BIGGEST LOSER CHALLENGE!!

PTSA is proud to sponsor the 2015 **Biggest Loser Challenge**. If you are tired of feeling run down, health in jeopardy, overweight or just plain "big boned", the PTSA is looking for you!!! This 8 week challenge will give you the opportunity to learn exercise routines that doesn't require a gym membership, develop healthy menus and a life's routine! Every Saturday during the challenge, we will workout in Champions Gym from 8am-9am (with weekly w Parents/Faculty/Staff, please plan to **sign up at the next PT: 11th on the PTSA stage**. Our official weigh in and kick off will be **January 10th @ 8am**. This Challenge is just the way to kick off the New Year and more importantly a new YOU! Of course as an awesome incentive, the BIGGEST LOSER will receive a fabulous prize!!!



2014-2015 Committee Chairs

Look forward to seeing our upcoming events chaired by the following:

- **Concessions- Louise Lee and Tawhana Johnson**
- **School Store- Cher O'Connor**
- **Box Tops- Cynetta Freeman**
- **Thanksgiving Treats- Zanetta Robinson and Felicia Gibson**
- **Holiday Dance- Devetra Ushery**
- **Luncheons- Lynn McDowell**
- **Father/Daughter Dance- Tonya Jenkins/Darshundra Blake**
- **Mother/Son Dance- Tonya Jenkins/Darshundra Blake**
- **Family Fun Day- Ilona Armstrong**

Box Tops Collections Are Underway!!!

Box Tops are one of the largest school earning loyalty programs. It's one of the simplest ways to help raise money by doing something that you would normally do, SHOP! The PTSA is proud to announce our new Box Tops Coordinator for 2014-2015 is Mrs. Cynetta Freeman!!! Cynetta has placed Box Tops collections bins in the Media Center and in the Parent Center for your convenience. Please continue to collect box tops and turn them in throughout the year and stay tuned for more exciting ways to receive Box Tops credits!





Find us on:
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The PTSA is proud to announce that The Champion School is now connected on social media!!!

“Often, schools communicate with stakeholders via either regular postal mail or the school website. When a school district decides to utilize social media, their stakeholders can receive information like the “Principal’s Report,” event information, schedule changes, and more *in real time*. They can also use social media to listen to what many in their community are thinking about their local public schools.” This excerpt was taken from an article written by Dorie Clark titled “Why Public School Leaders Must Embrace Social Media Now”. Please **“LIKE” THE CHAMPION SCHOOL** page on Facebook (note: there is a Champion Theme Middle School page, do NOT like this unauthorized page as we are working to have it removed) and receive the most up to date information about school activities, events, reports, notices, etc. Additionally, you can now find PTSA events detailed. Help us get the word out!!!



Champion Jackets Update!!

If you pre-ordered a Champion Jacket, they are scheduled for delivery the week of December 15th. You will be notified via calling post, phone, morning announcement or the school’s website when your child’s jacket is in. We will announce the days/times you will be able to pick up the jackets. Due to the overwhelming success of the jacket orders, if you missed out on

the opportunity to order a jacket, you will be given another opportunity after the Winter Break. Be on the lookout for details.

2014-2015 PTA Officers

Thomas Rayton- President	Tara Terrell- VP Special Committees	Cathy Goolsby- VP Academics	Stan Watson- Parliamentarian
Bettina “BJ” Martin- Treasurer	Crystal Farley- Thompson- Recording Secretary	Gloria Ray- Johnson- Financial Secretary	Contact Us: champion.pts@yahoo.com