

At 8 days 'til summer, PTSO wants you to know...

...that classes may be ending for 10 weeks, and PTSO has a lot going on before the first bell rings on August 25th AND you are invited to be a part of it!

Book Drive

Has your family outgrown an interest or grade level? Do you have books you no longer want? PTSO is collecting both fiction and non-fiction books in very good condition to restock the classroom SOAR libraries, and, if appropriate, to line the shelves of the Media Center. Bring books in anytime between now and the last day of school to the front office. If you have donations over the summer, or would like to make donations of new book purchases for the Media Center, please send a note to kestrel.heights.ptso@gmail.com to make arrangements.

Clips & Caps

Send in your Boxtops, Labels for Education, and MyCokeReward codes to your students' first period teacher or the front office by year end. Many Boxtops expire on 6/30/11 and must be postmarked by that date. LabelsforEducation is running a 'double your points' incentive through 6/15. Bring them on, and save them throughout the summer. We take Tyson A-B-C labels too!

On the Move

Do you or your kids have a few hours time to spend with Kestrel teachers? Maybe some packing boxes? Nearly every staff person will be moving into a different space over the summer, while PTSO will not be coordinating a single effort to assist the staff in preparing for the move, we do encourage you to ask your teachers if there is anything you can do to help them complete the necessary work in a timely fashion.

Media Center Planning Committee

The committee is blessed to have Kate Mester, a recent NCCU Library Science graduate and former Kestrel teacher, working with us on a *volunteer* basis as we work to outfit the Media Center at 4900 Prospectus Dr. We will be meeting and working throughout the summer, if you would like to join us in writing policy & grants, finding furnishings & technology, and maybe even installing shelves and sorting books, please send an email to kestrel.heights.ptso@gmail.com expressing your interest. Also let us know if you have an interest in volunteering specifically in the Media Center after the students return to school.

Student, Parent, Staff Surveys

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts with us. The findings of these three separate but related surveys will be presented at the KHS Board meeting on June 14th. HUGE appreciation and generous applause goes to Michelle Cathorall for organizing this effort, and analyzing the results. There were 4 versions of the survey with over 400 response in total.

August/September Happenings

As school gets back in gear be sure to look announcements in regard to a PTSO general meeting to address revised by-laws, and verifying membership. We also hope to host a Scholastic Book Fair, and our annual PTSO family dinner.

Sign up to get the latest on PTSO news & to volunteer

If you know a Kestrel family, friend, or alumna that would like to receive mailings from PTSO, be sure to forward this note, and direct them to our sign up form here [PTSO signup](#). This also allows you to share your volunteer interests.

Another way to stay in touch is via the [Kestrel Heights Staff and Parents](#) page. If you have a Facebook account simply click [here](#) to see the page and 'like' us!

We hope to see you all in the Fall,
Have a GREAT Summer!!