



Back To School Night

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Castlemont Home & School Club Introduction

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What is the HSC?

- Home & School Club - Our version of the PTA
- All volunteer – Parents, Teachers, Staff
- Meets first Tuesday of each Month
- Next meeting 10/6 at 7:00 pm
- Fund raisers
- Sponsors of school programs
 - Fieldtrips
 - Assemblies
 - Teacher Supplies
 - Garden/Library/Tech Lab

Membership vs. Sponsorship

- HSC membership is free and only requires that you register your information by registering at the Groupery or by filling out our membership form
- Monetary donations – We have established several common/popular donation levels but you can contribute as much or as little as fits your budget
- Volunteer Opportunities – If you would like to find out about ways you can volunteer your skills and get involved in supporting HSC activities, e-mail me at president@castlemont-hsc.org

Summary of Fund Raisers and Upcoming Activities

- **Scrip Gift Cards** – Order gift cards for a variety of stores where you regularly shop. Our school receives a percentage of the face value of the card. Use them for your Costco shopping, Toys R Us, dining out and many more!
- **eScrip** – By signing up online and registering your Safeway Card and other credit or department store cards, you will be helping raise money for our school. You can help bring even more money in by initiating your online shopping activities in the eScrip Mall and linking from there to a variety of popular online shops like Macy's, Nordstrom's, Staples and eBay! Visit www.escrip.com and register now. Our school number is 137318210.
- **Innisbrook** – Though this is a "drive" you can help by making purchases of items you would need to prepare for the holidays including gift wrap, gifts and candies. You can even send your friends and family across the country our school number and your child's seller number and they can order online! This is a lucrative fund raiser and the more participation we can get the better it will be for our kids and school.
- **Membership Drive** – We have raised over \$2K but are budgeted to raise \$4K. To donate, all you need to do is complete a membership form and turn it in to the office or your child's teacher. Or you can self-register at the Groupery at www.thegroupery.com/registration/castlemont-hsc. Membership is free but your generous donation helps ensure sufficient funding for important programs and may qualify you for a thank you gift including FFF tickets, a year book or a garden brick.
- **Fall Family Festival**
 - Our annual tradition continues this year with a fun family celebration scheduled for October 30th
 - Our next HSC meeting on 10/6 at 7:00 pm will be dedicated to planning for the FFF
 - If you are interested in helping plan and volunteering before during or after the event, please plan on attending the meeting or get in contact with Jill or Jason at fff@castlemont-hsc.org

Where to Go for Additional Information?

- The Groupery Castlemont HSC group management site at www.thegroupery.com/castlemont-hsc – This is our group management site and is set up as our directory and the main tool we will use for push notifications (e-mails, flyers, requests for help). You will be included in all HSC mailings and will have the opportunity to make your membership donations or purchase spirit wear items at this site.
- The Castlemont HSC website at www.castlemont-hsc.org – This the official HSC web site and is currently being re-launched. This is the tool we will primarily use for static notifications and as a method to gather resources (school and community links, calendar events, etc).
- The School web site at www.campbellusd.k12.ca.us/~castlemont
- The CUSD web site at www.campbellusd.k12.ca.us

