

Dear Carney Families and Friends,

The 2014-15 school year is here, ready or not! I for one am very excited to get to it. Your PTA has been working hard all summer and we're looking forward to sharing our numerous plans.

We have heard your requests and have expanded our communication process. From day one we have heard that communication needs improvement. Hopefully you will notice these improvements right away. "Like" us on Facebook to start.

Also in response to voiced concerns we have added more time for you as parents to get to know one another and your school community. We have initiated an improved partnership between the PTA and our faculty and continue to combine efforts with the administration to guarantee a quality and successful education at Carney Elementary. While the education of our children is our number one priority, we are also making efforts to provide rewarding social experiences. By presenting these opportunities we foster friendships through common interests, parent connections and just spending time together outside of the classroom. Watch the calendar for these activities that include a Fall Festival, Summer Reading Party, movie night, a dance and whatever else we develop.

Welcome to our new Carney families and welcome back to all of our returning families. We encourage you to become involved in the activities that interest you. Feel free to let us know when we can do something better. Your help and contributions are always appreciated.

Our PTA meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month. We ask that you give it a try and bring a friend. There can only be good things to come from the collaboration of our ideas and efforts. Feel free to contact any of us.

Every year is a new beginning and ours is starting now. The team that has spent the summer working toward organizing this fantastic program and calendar is committed to succeed in making this year even better than last.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of Carney Elementary and our parent and student programs.

Have a great school year!

**C. Michelle Reinhardt**

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