

Hillcrest Home & School Association FAQs

Have questions? We have answers!

What is the Hillcrest Home & School Association (HSA)?

The Home and School Association (HSA) is comprised of volunteer school parents, who work closely with the Hillcrest principal, teachers, and staff to provide enriching programs and fun activities for our students. These events and activities are funded solely by membership dues and fundraisers organized by the HSA.

How Is Money Raised for Home and School?

Various activities and fundraisers throughout the school year are held to raise money. Such activities include:

- School Socials - like the Skating Party, Winter Blast, Turkey Trot, etc.
- Candygrams - Halloween Boo-Grams, Valentine Grams, St. Patty's Day Pops
- Restaurant Fundraisers
- Box Tops for Education - <https://www.boxtops4education.com/>
- MarketPlace Fundraiser - online food sales - <https://bit.ly/3GMEacU>
- Spirit Wear Sales

What Does Home and School do with the money raised?

This year's plans include:

- Assemblies - like the Read Across America assembly in March.
- Back to School Teacher Breakfast
- Teacher Appreciation Luncheon
- Classroom/Arts Department Needs - e.g., ukuleles were purchased for the 5th grade Music curriculum
- Fun Run events - Fall Turkey Trot
- Snacks during PSSA testing
- 5th Grade yearbooks
- Three Scholarships for Hillcrest students graduating UDHS
- And More

What is the 5th Grade Committee?

The 5th Grade committee is a subset of the HSA made up of parents of current 5th graders that focus on our 5th grade class. They help plan, organize, and run events (such as the Winter Blast) and fundraisers (eg. weekly pretzel sales) throughout the school year that directly benefit all of our 5th grade children. They organize the 5th grade Yearbook and end-of-year 5th Grade Dance. Any parent of a current 5th grader who is an active member of the Hillcrest HSA can join the 5th Grade Committee.

How Can You Help?

1. Become a member of the HSA – Membership provides you voting rights. Dues are \$10 per family per year.
2. Come to HSA meetings. Meetings are usually held the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6 pm. You do not need to be a member to come to the meetings – Free babysitting is available and a virtual link is provided.
3. Volunteer – Sign-ups will be emailed throughout the year. Hillcrest values every family and encourages family involvement in our school community. Volunteering in your child's school demonstrates to them the importance of community and their education.

What Happens at a Home and School Meeting?

The President discusses the HSA Agenda, which includes school and district information from the Principal, an HSA Budget update by the Treasurer, and open discussions about upcoming events/activities.

How Can You Contact Home and School?

Email: hillcresthomeschool@yahoo.com

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