

Dear Families,

Thank you for your feedback on Thursday's HSA meeting and our first few events of the year. We hope that you have had a chance to review the information we shared and have been able to participate in one or more of our recent events.

Many thanks to those of you who have answered our call for help and stepped up to fill critical roles for our events and programs. Here are the names of the individuals who have signed on to lead some of our programs and events:

- Scrip program (year-long) – Amanda Brennan
- HSA Assistant treasurer (year-long) – Dave Budzynski
- HSA Bingo & Event supply chair (year-long) – Ashley Schaff
- New Year's Gathering (January) – Isabel Almeida
- Teacher Appreciation (January) – Ann Budzynski
- Mother-Son Event (Mar-April) – Dana Christos
- Golf Outing (May) – James Crutchfield

We still need volunteers to lead the following programs/events. Please email [hsa@srles.com](mailto:hsa@srles.com) to volunteer or get more information:

- Volunteers Coordinator (year-long)
- Movie Night at the Book Fair (Nov 10)
- Tuition Raffle (Jan – June)
- Rock of Ages (Feb 1)
- Father-Daughter Dance (Mar – April)
- Yankee Candle (Mar-April)
- International Dinner (Mar 21)

The HSA Board thanks these individuals who have agreed to continue leading events this year:

- Bingo (year-long) – Chris Kirkman
- Trunk or Treat (Oct) – Beth Keenan
- Book Fair (Nov 10-16) – JoAnn Setear
- Special Person's Day (May 3) – Lisa Ghosh

These individuals will be supported by teams of volunteers. Many of you have expressed interest in helping. In addition to delivering on our fundraising goals, joining these teams can help you build lasting friendships and have fun while helping our school. Please use the [Signup G HYPERLINK "https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B4EADAB22A46-hsavolunteers"](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B4EADAB22A46-hsavolunteers) link to let us know which event(s) you can help us with. Thank you!

Thanks to those of you who have already returned the HSA enrollment form and fee. We heard there were questions regarding the HSA fee. Parents who have been part of the school for a few years may recall that HSA dues were previously collected with tuition beginning in July. However, that process no longer includes an HSA fee. It is stated within our by-laws that we are to collect annual dues, and these funds will support our ongoing efforts to build our school

community, with events like the bonfire on Friday. Thus we have re-instated the HSA fee after benchmarking other schools' enrollment forms and fees, and provided a range in consideration of the different financial circumstances for our families. If this fee presents a hardship for your family, please feel free to contact HSA. HSA dues are tax deductible and eligible for matching gifts.

HSA forms and fees are requested to be returned to school by Monday, September 24. The form was included in Friday's school newsletter and is attached again to this email.

Finally, we are still planning a proxy vote and hope to distribute that within the coming days. An update will be provided in Friday's school newsletter, and the proxy will be distributed via email when ready.

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