

Gause Boosters

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Our Parent Volunteer Newsletter

Sept/Oct 2011

Booster Club Mission Statement

The Booster Club encourages parent participation & raises funds to enhance & expand the Academic, Enrichment and Social Programs that are available to each & every student at Gause Elementary. The Booster Club believes that parent involvement during elementary school years can be a key to the success of the individual student.

How can I help?

What can I do to get involved?

I want to help, but only have a small amount of time to help.

The Volunteer Program at Gause Elementary is open to any parent, grandparent, or guardian who would like to be involved in their student's education and/or school activities. There are several ways to be involved.

One way is to join the Boosters as a Committee Member. This group of parents meets monthly with the school principal to discuss Booster activities and the budget. In addition, the members of this committee organize and direct Booster events or fundraisers.

Another way to be involved is to support Booster events. Anyone who would like to be a part of an activity can contact a Booster Committee Member. The Parent Volunteer forms that were filled out at the beginning of the year help the Booster Committee find parents who have an interest in different events. However, parents are always welcome to contact a Booster Committee Member if they wish to become involved in an upcoming event or activity.

The third way to become involved is to volunteer in the classroom. Parents are strongly encouraged to discuss with teachers how they can help out, whether it is working with students in the class or helping prepare for projects, art, or other activities. Please contact your child's teacher directly to plan how and when you can help out.

And lastly, please come to the Fall & Winter General Membership Booster Meetings. These meetings are a great time for you to find out about upcoming school events & activities to volunteer. We have many great activities planned for our children and their families and we want you to join us in making them a great success. ☺

2011-2012 Committee Member's Contact Information

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Parents, after reading this Booster Newsletter, please fill in your child's name, teacher's name and sign this slip. Have your child return this signed slip to Mr. Larson in the office and your child(ren) will receive a Best Foot Forward.

_____ Student Name	_____ Teacher	_____ Student Name	_____ Teacher
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Parent Signature _____			

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Fall Booster Meeting

This meeting is for you! Come join us in the library and hear what exciting things are going on and how you can be a part of making a difference at Gause Elementary!

Don't miss out! Mark the date on your calendar and bring a friend! Our Fall Booster Meeting for the General Membership is October 20, at 6:30 p.m. ☺

Sport-A-Thon

Gause students set a new record! Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! To all the Students, Parents, Guardians, Relatives, Families, & Friends for their donations to Sport-A-Thon!

The grand total is \$21,300! The funds will be used for field trips, the artist-in-residency programs, literacy day, safety patrol, movie night, MSP support, and many other education programs.

Congratulations! The students at Gause Elementary are all winners!

Thank you to Papa's Ice Cream for donating gift cards & to Alpha Ecological Pest Control for donating the Zoo passes for the Sport-A-Thon.

Thank you! To all the Sport-A-Thon 2011 Volunteers:

Sport-A-Thon Coordinator

Liv Tyacke

Heather Morris

Gail Wayerper

Jason Hamilton

Rebecca Robb

Joele Scheldorf

James Caughman

Troy Tyacke

Stacey Gorsline

Betty Gabel

Suzane Gibson

Natalie Fleming

Kirk Vanhorn

Track

Helen Mckee

Jill Kelly

Amy Palmer

Anna Zipperlan

Debbie Spaeth

Danita Ross

Rochelle Shoenborn

Sadie Walker

Kristine Galloway

Renee Stotts

Ice Cream/Assembly

Desiree Hamilton

Heidi Farrell

Sarah Ruddell

Liv Tyacke

Stacey Gorsline

Jessica Warta

Betty Gabel

Debbie Spaeth

Jump Rope

Tanya Cathey

Kristin Albaugh

Justine Garver

Kellie Sampson

Renata Caughman

Linda Goodling

Prep

Liv Tyacke

Tiffany Sneer

Showshana Dowd

Stacey Gorsline

Kristine Galloway

McKenzy Byrum

Sarah Ruddell

Soccer

Lupe Farias

JD Jones

Chris Ruddell

Samantha Flansburg

Heidi Farrell

Shellie Callie

School T-Shirts & Spirit Day

Fridays are school spirit days, so remember to wear your Gause t-shirts. Order forms are by the Booster's Bulletin Board in the school front entrance. Cost is \$7 per shirt & \$10 per sweatshirt (sweatshirts are available in adult small only).

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Back-to-School

Welcome back to school students, parents, guardians, & families! The school year is off to a great start as we welcome new friends & greet returning friends!

Special thanks to the “Back-to-School” volunteers who helped make the first week go more smoothly for our children, parents, & staff: Jessica Warta, Stacey Gorsline, Jill Kelly, Ann Barnes, Heidi Farrell, Amy Palmer, & Sarah Bollenbaugh.

Yearbooks

There are a few yearbooks from 2010-2011 available for purchase in the school office. The cost is \$12 per yearbook (checks payable to Gause Boosters).

Fall Book Share Night & Ice Cream Social

Mark your calendars! Fall Book Share & Ice Cream Social is Thursday, October 27th, from 6:30-7:30 pm, in the Gause Cafeteria. Drop off your used books with Mrs. Leifsen in the library or bring them to the event.

Family Movie Night ~ “Chestnut”

Mark your calendars! Family Movie Night this fall is Tuesday, November 22nd, from 6:00-8:00 pm, in the Gause Library. Please remember that a parent or guardian must attend with the students. Don't miss this opportunity for a fun family evening! Extend the invitation to family that may be visiting for the holiday! The cost is one can food/nonperishable item per person. All proceeds will go to the Washougal Children's Society in downtown Washougal.

Upcoming Events

Festival of Trees ~ December TBA

Stuff the Bus ~ December TBA

Booster Connections

The Booster Bulletin Board is located in the front entrance of the school & is your info zone.

The Booster Newsletter is published bi-monthly & will be sent home (one per family).

It is also available online at <http://www.washougal.k12.wa.us/gause/>.

Make sure to read it over & catch up on what is happening. Remember, after you have read the newsletter, be sure to sign the bottom of the first page & send it back to school with your student. Your child will receive a ‘Best Foot Forward’ from our principal, Rex Larson!

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Box Tops, Campbell's UPC, Tyson A+ Strips, & V8 Lids

Thank you to everyone who has been saving their Box Tops, Campbell's UPCs, Tyson A+ Strips, & V8 Lids! ☺ Please note—Campbell no longer accepts the front label; we need the UPC. Campbell's UPCs can be found on many items. Tyson A+ Strips are at the end panel of box & top rip-off strip of bag (worth 24 cents each). V8 we need the lid not the label. Please refer to the list of all qualifying items on the bulletin board or school website. Next contest TBA. Please label your collection with your child's name & teacher & give to Mrs. Bentley.

E-Scrip & Scrip Update

E-Scrip ~ Thank you to all who support Gause by registering your Safeway Club Card with the E-Scrip Program! This is a renewal year for the E-Scrip Program & most of you have renewed your Safeway Club Card ensuring Gause continues to receive designated Safeway donations.

To register or renew for Safeway Club Card donations to Gause please take the time & visit www.escrip.com or pick up a form at the Booster Bulletin Board.

Why should I???? Safeway will donate a percentage of every purchase you make to Gause Elementary. Gause receives \$400—\$500 a month from this program. You can make a difference!!

Scrip ~ What is this???? This is another way that Gause raises money. Keep an eye out for the scrip order form in your child's backpack.. When you buy scrip 'gift cards' you receive full face value for the card; the individual company pays Gause a pre-determined percentage or donation for each card sold.

The following are the scrip order dates for the 2011-2012 school year:

November 14, 2011

December 5, 2011

May 14, 2012

Boosters Supports Gause Elementary School Events & Activities

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Sport-A-Thon
Book Fair
Book Share
Ice Cream Social
Math & Science Night
Literacy Day
Family Bingo Night
Health Day
Festival of Trees
Music-in-Residency
Picture Day
Teacher & Staff Appreciation
Bus Driver Appreciation

Stuff-the-Bus
Secretary Appreciation
Family Movie Night
Valentine Balloons
Assembly Coordinator
Family Fitness Night
Art-in-Residency
Art Kiln Coordinator
Jump Rope for Heart
Box Tops & Campbell's Labels
Scrip, E-scrip & Teacher
Wish List
Year Book Staff

Year Book Accountant
& Data Entry
Purchaser
Newsletter Editor
Bulletin Board
Checkbook/Accounting
Safety Patrol
Field Trip Support
Field Trip Transportation
Kindergarten Support
Health Room Supplies
5th Grade BBQ
Field Day