

Severn School PTA Severn School PTA



The Severn Elementary School PTA takes great pride in its accomplishments over the past few years. Not just for the value we have added to Severn School, but the pride we have instilled in ourselves, as both individuals and as a group.

Four years ago, we took an honest and objective look at our PTA. As a group, we assessed what worked well and what needed improvement. We established new objectives and goals, which included: to change the perception of our PTA; become a more intrigal part of the school; and increase parent, teacher and student involvement. By the end of that year, we achieved every one of these goals.

Looking at our PTA today, we have come along way and exceeded our expectations. A few of our milestones as an organization:

- increased membership significantly / a more diverse group
- increased students' direct involment & ownership of certain ideas and decision making
- increased teacher participation significantly (in fact, we now have a teacher sitting on our executive board)
- increased PTA's effectiveness due to **full** support from the Severn Principal and entire staff
- increased volunteer base
- increased PTA meeting attendance
(4 yrs ago, avg meeting attendees=9; past 3 years=25)
- distribute monthly newsletter
- increased community involvement and formed extensive working relationships with various community organizations and businesses
- work side-by-side, respectfully, with school officials on various issues & projects and have been able to make "**real**" difference
- *made amazing new friends* ☺