



Guadalupe Home and School Club

HAPPENINGS

**Upcoming GHSC Events**

September 12th- 16th-
Book Fair



September 16th at 6:30-
Ice cream social



September 27th- Chefs
Night Out @ The Habit
and No Homework Night

Is Your Child Interested in Scouting?!

The Cub Scouts and Girls Scouts at Guadalupe are still inviting your children to join!

For more information on Cub Scouts, please visit:
<http://www.pack340.net> or email us at:
membership@pack340.net

For Girl Scout information, contact Sonya Neal at:
sonyaneal@gmail.com

**Annual Giving Drive**

Thank you to all who have already participated in the Giving Drive this year! Thanks to your generous donations, the Giving Drive has already raised close to \$17,000! Your support means so much, not only to the school, but also to the teachers, students, and other parents! Speaking of the Giving Drive, we understand that there is some confusion between this year's Annual Giving Drive and the Classroom Giving Drive of past years. We are hopeful that the following Q & A will clear things up!

Q: Why is this year's suggested donation amount so much more than last year?

A: If you look at the \$250 "suggested donation" amount as a year-long fundraising goal per student, it's really not much more. In fact, it's almost identical to the total per-student funds raised last year (\$243). It's just formatted a bit differently.

The current Annual Giving Drive was designed to let parents and guardians know exactly how much money the Home & School Club must raise for each child attending Guadalupe, for full support of the HSC funded programs offered at our school, and that benefit every child. The suggested donation of \$250 is based on total cost of programs/support divided by total number of students. If every parent were able to donate \$250 for each child in school, we would not need to do any other type of fundraiser. Since this is generally not possible, we offer other fundraising opportunities throughout the year to make up the difference.

In contrast, the Classroom Giving Drive of years past, was designed to only supported classroom funding for teacher classroom and grade level support, field trips and classroom celebrations. Support for Starting Arts (Music, Dance & Theater), Recess 101, Art Vistas, was not included.

Q: Why are we changing how we fundraise?

A: This year we are moving to a new fundraising model which includes the Giving Drive, the Walk-a-thon, Harvest Festival, auctions, and buy-in parties (to be held throughout the year). Changing our fundraising model was based on input from parents, obtained through both direct communication and the 2015-2016 GHSC parent survey. Half of the respondents said they prefer to give funds once a year. The other half indicated their wish to spread their donations out through the year. The structure of this year's Giving Drive, allows families who prefer to complete their donations in one lump sum at the beginning of the year the flexibility to do that, and select which other fundraisers, if any, they wish to participate in throughout the school year. For others, it provides opportunities to support our students throughout the year. Parents may elect to give at any time of the year, and/or participate in fundraising opportunities such as the Walk-a-thon or buy-in parties.

We hope that this will allow families to make their GHSC donations in whatever way works best for them and have fun in the process!

Q: I'd like to be able to give more...but that's a pretty big check to write all at once...is there a payment plan

A: We hold a "Drive" in the beginning of the year, because we need to raise capital. We have bills due...just like you! But we also need funds throughout the year. You can choose how and when you'd like to offer your support. At any time during the school year (or even in summer) you can login to MySchoolAnywhere, and support the Giving Drive. You can even support multiple times throughout the year.

If you'd like us to create a way to make recurring donations easier, just let us know! We'll work on that for next year!

If you have any questions about the Giving Drive and how GHSC works, please feel free to ask any GHSC board member attend the Guadalupe Home & School Club meetings All of our contact information, as well as our meeting calendar is available on our website GHSC.NET Many hands make light work—we would love to see as many members as possible to help us in our goal of funding enrichment programs for our children's education!

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GHSC Twitter Feed

@GuadalupeHSC

Add www.ghsc.net/news to you favorites and Register TODAY on myschoolanywhere.com use code : join-guad-directoy

HOST A KIDS KARAOKE PARTY!



OR an evening of great food for adults, or even an adventure for the whole family! The possibilities are unlimited!

Register to become a buy -in host TODAY! www.ghsc.net/buyin



Chefs Night Out

Tuesday, September 27th 5-9pm

at "The Habit" on Almaden Expressway

20% of the sales will benefit the GHSC!
This is also Union School District's Family Night which means no homework!

Volunteer Information

We all know that it takes a village! The Guadalupe students, staff, and Home and School Club (HSC) rely heavily on the community of parents to keep our programs running and running smoothly. The HSC not only raises funds for programs like Art Vista and Recess 101, but also provides volunteers for the many social, classroom and fundraising events hosted throughout the year. We are in search of volunteers to help in the planning of various events throughout the year. Worried that you don't have any experience?? Don't be!! You will be working along with knowledgeable and seasoned parents and board members.

Please visit www.join.myschool.anywhere.com to see all volunteer opportunities and be sure to check back often. Do you want to help but are not sure where to start? Contact Mindy and Raquel at volunteer.ghsc@gmail.com. You just have to let us know you want to help.

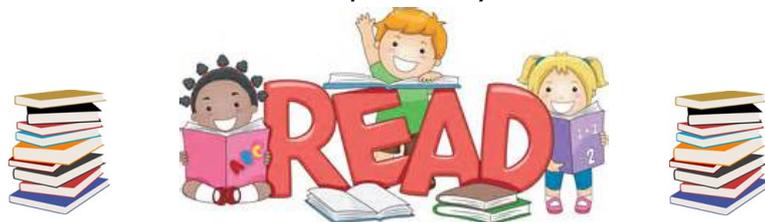
Don't Miss Out

Join fellow Guadalupe families as everyone enjoys a night of ice cream and mingling, at our annual Ice Cream Social graciously sponsored by DWR Construction. Let the kids play and have fun meeting new friends! **October 16th, 6:30pm** at the picnic tables



Book Fair Help Still Needed!

Bring yourself a cup of coffee and help fellow parents ring kids up at the book fair! Sign up for a quick 1 or 2 hour shift between September 12th- 16th
Head to: <http://bit.ly/2b80v96>



Harvest Festival

Pumpkin Spice Lattes are being enjoyed by coffee lovers everywhere, which could only mean one thing: HARVEST FESTIVAL is around the corner!! On **October 22, from 3-7pm** there will be jumpy houses, obstacle courses, a cake walk, face painting, a pumpkin patch, Kona Ice, Zorbie balls, our amazing AUCTION, delicious food and a bake-off! Don't miss all the fun! Stay tuned for volunteer opportunities and more information.



Guadalupe Band!

Do you have a budding musician on your hands?? If so, and your child is in grades 3-5, they can join Guadalupe's School Band! No experience necessary! Band meets Mon-Thurs at 7:15am. Students will attend 2 days a week depending on which instrument they play. It starts September 12th. To sign up visit:
<http://bit.do/guadband>
or email sonyaneal@gmail.com