

August 2009

Starkville Academy Patrons Association Newsletter



From Your SAPA President...

Welcome back everyone!! I hope that everyone has had a great summer and is looking forward to another exciting year at Starkville Academy. SAPA is hard at work planning for the 2009-2010 school year, but we need your help! There are so many ways to get involved, and we ask that you volunteer some of your time and talent to help insure that our teachers and children have another successful school year!

One of the many fundraisers that SAPA holds is our annual Fall Festival. Vickie Sharp has graciously agreed to chair the Fall Festival this year, so let's all give her our support and make this the best one ever!! Last year our children enjoyed game booths, a rock-climbing wall, a dunking booth and much more! Please mark your calendar to attend our Fall Festival this year. There is sure

to be a great time had by all! If everyone pitches in to help, we can make this a huge success, and the children of Starkville Academy will certainly benefit!

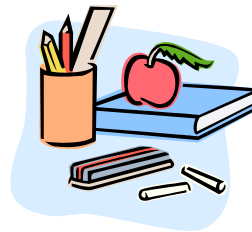
SAPA also wants to invite you to the Open House/Book Dedication/Spaghetti Dinner to be held in September. It's a great time to meet your teachers and fellow patrons, dedicate a book, as well as enjoy some delicious spaghetti! Also, get ready for our 3rd Annual Spring Fling! It is going to be a blast! There will be more details to follow! These events along with many others, help SAPA to raise funds to help meet the many needs of our teachers and children.

SAPA could not be successful without your support. I encourage everyone to fill out the attached membership form and get involved

There is always a need to be met, and by volunteering you are helping to insure the success of your child's education. If you have any questions or suggestions about any of the fundraisers or projects that SAPA coordinates, please feel free to contact me at 323-3506.

Lisa Henderson

2009-2010 SAPA President



Past President's Comments

There is only one word to describe the two years I spent on the SAPA board....WOW!

There are so many of you to thank for your time, hard work, and dedication. It was wonderful to meet so many new people, and to have so much support from the SA family.

SAPA went thru many changes, and went towards a new direction over the last two years, and I could not have done it without the other board members. Lisa, Shelly, Leann, and Sharon were always willing to go the extra mile, and remained positive and encouraging, no matter what! Thank you, ladies!

I am also graciously thankful to those of you who have financially supported SAPA thru dues, sending in Box Tops, attending Fall Festival, or purchasing a Spring Fling ticket.

Without this support, we could not have supported our teachers in their efforts in the classroom. And we all know that those who truly benefit from our support are our children at Starkville Academy. In addition to items for the classroom, SAPA has also donated \$75,000 of the \$100,000 pledge to the capital campaign!

If you missed Fall Festival or Spring Fling, you missed a fabulous time!

Make plans now to attend this year! Again, many thanks to each of you for any contribution you've made to SAPA; please continue to give in this Volunteer Spirit in any capacity possible!

Nikki Jackson

2008-2009 SAPA President



Important Dates

August 6— Orientation

Grades 1-2 5:30-6:15pm

Grades 3-4 6:15-7:00pm

Grade 7 6:00pm

Grade 8-9 6:30pm

August 7— Orientation

Pre-K/Kindergarten 5:30-6:30pm

Grades 5-6 5:30-6:15

Grade 10 5:30

Grade 11 6:00

Grade 12 6:30

New Student Orientation 9am

August 10— First Day of School— 1/2 Day

August 11— Full Day of School

September 28 —Open House/Book Dedication/Spaghetti Dinner

October 26 —Fall Festival

February — Spring Fling

May 17 —Field Day

May 21— Last Day of School

SAPA

Who We Are...

The mission of the SAPA board is "To enhance the educational opportunities of Starkville Academy students and teachers through fundraising and service projects provided by total Starkville Academy Patron participation." SAPA includes all grades pre-K thru 12th.

Want to get involved and help support our school? Here's a list of ways you can help!

SAPA Fundraisers at a Glance

Fall Festival	This is a fun night in October that involves parents and kids. There will be game booths setup for each elementary class
Spring Fling	A new event sponsored by SAPA held at the Starkville Country Club. There is a silent auction, dinner and music! Tickets to be sold soon!
Papa John's Pizza	On the first Thursday of the month, Papa John's gives back to SAPA 20% of all pizza sales. Also 3 teachers with the highest sales per class are given a free pizza party.
Box Tops for Education	Box Tops for Education labels are cut from General Mills and other participating companies' products and turned in and SAPA receives a check for 10 cents for each box top
Spaghetti Dinner@Open House	Hosted in September, this is a chance to meet your child's teacher, have a spaghetti supper in the SA lunch room and dedicate a book in your child's honor
Kroger Cards	Kroger Cards are bought from SAPA for \$5 with \$5 already loaded on the card. One can then add to their card at Kroger and 5% of their total grocery bill will be given back to SAPA as a rebate.
Book Sox	All classes with the exception of kindergarten will need to cover hardback textbooks. Grades 4 through high school require a certain number of books to be covered. Book Sox are book covers sold at orientation and then later in the elementary office for \$4 each. These are top quality and last all year.
Field Day	A day of outdoor fun at the end of the year that involves the students in relay games. T-shirts are sold and concessions are available.
2010 School Supplies	Pre purchase your child's school supplies and help raise money for SA

SAPA Service Projects at a Glance

Teacher Appreciation Week	Help us show our teachers how much they are appreciated by sending gift cards, goodies and small gifts during this week in early spring. Our teachers love the special attention during this week!
Teacher Hospitality	Goodies and snacks are available in the teacher's lounge on a given day every other month throughout the year for both elementary and high school.
Teacher's Lunch Out	Parents volunteer to sit in the classroom every other month while teachers enjoy lunch out.

Treasurer's Report

SAPA is excited about the coming year, and we have a lot in store to continue helping Starkville Academy. SAPA provides funds for various needs for both high school and elementary teachers and classrooms. Your support has enabled SAPA to provide a variety of needs and requests. Below are some examples of what your support has provided SA over the past several years.

Your support of SAPA provided:

- High school and elementary classroom materials and supplies
 - High School items purchased
 - DVD/VCR combos for the High School Library
 - Donation for new camera for the yearbook staff
 - Donation for plagiarism detection software
 - Science supplies
- Elementary items purchased
 - Class play materials
 - Counselor supplies for class demonstrations
 - Science supplies
 - Encyclopedias for the elementary library

- High school and elementary teacher certification allotments
- Donation to the SA Capital Campaign
- Teacher/Staff luncheons at the beginning and end of school year
- Facility enhancements

SAPA has been fortunate to receive continued support from our patrons, faculty, staff and students. Without your help, SAPA would not be able to achieve our mission of enhancing the educational opportunities of SA students and teachers through fundraising and service projects provided by total SA Patron participation. SAPA strives to fulfill and enable our teachers and staff to provide an optimal education to our students. We know we could not do anything without your support. From being a SAPA member to purchasing a ticket to Spring Fling, every time you support SAPA you support Starkville Academy. You can continue to help Starkville Academy excel.

Ways to support SAPA:

- Join SAPA (\$10 per family)

- Support our fundraisers:

- Book Sox
- Kroger Cards
- Spring Fling
- Fall Festival
- Open House - Spaghetti Dinner
- Papa John's Pizza Night
- Box Tops for Education
- Field Day
- School Supplies

SAPA is looking forward to another event-filled and successful year. We will have Book Sox, SAPA membership forms, and Kroger Cards available each night during orientation between Buildings A and B, and outside the High School gym. Please visit us and continue to make SA the place to be.

Leann Markham

2009-2010 SAPA Treasurer



Thank you 2008-2009 Room Parents

SAPA joins our teachers, staff and parents in thanking those dedicated parents who served as room mothers for the 2008-2009 school year.

Pre-Kindergarten

Susan O'Neal, Shannon Skelton, Kim Bennett

Kindergarten

Clare Brewer, Megan Green, Shelly Kelly

First Grade

Angie Ruth, Rebecca Banzhaf, Frances Merchant

Second Grade

Sharon Breckenridge, Suzanne Daniewicz, Trina Pollan

Third Grade

Theresa Doggett, Lynda McReynolds, Kim Jones

Fourth Grade

Sacia Gordman, Kristin Reed, Dana Bohna

Fifth Grade

Sabrina Hunt, Cindy Allen, Donna Nabors

Sixth Grade

Janet McKell, Dana Fant, Michelle Rackley



Congratulations On A Job Well Done

Congratulations and appreciation to the 2008-2009 chairs of these committees for a successful year.

Fall Festival

Susan Smith and MeMe Hughes

School Supplies

Suzanne Daniewicz

Book Dedication/Open House

Beverly Slaughter

High School Teacher Lunch Out

Lisa Thomas

High School Teachers' Appreciation

Tammy Jones

Elementary Teachers' Appreciation

Lynda McReynolds and Meridith Archer

High School Teacher Hospitality

Cindy Allen

Elementary Teacher Hospitality

Linda Mikel

Elementary Field Day

Shawn Smith and Kim Bennett

Kroger Card Sales

Julie MacGown

Box Tops for Education

Candy Tranum

Papa John's Pizza Night

Summer Mord

Book Sox Sales

Julie MacGown

Spring Fling

Tickets

Nikki Jackson and Charlotte Cox

Silent Auction

Patti Little

Food

Sharon Breckenridge

Public Relations

Tricia Pace

Draw Down

Stephanie Pellum

Michelle Bricka

Room Decorations

Nancy Griffin

Table/Auction Decorations

Meridith Archer

2009 School Supplies are here!! You will find your pre-ordered school supplies in your child's room during orientation.



Meet Your SAPA Board

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All elementary classes with 100% SAPA Membership Participation will receive a popsicle Party and high school homerooms will receive donuts for breakfast so don't forget to fill out your SAPA membership form and return it by September 1st!!



SAPA will once again reimburse each teacher up to \$50 for classroom supplies to start the new year. Save those receipts!!



Visit SAPA on the web
<http://sapa.starkvilleacademy.org>

SAPA has a website with up to date information and dates for all of our events. A list of committee chairs for each fundraiser and service project as well as room moms are posted on our site. Be sure to visit our photo gallery! You will also find our SAPA membership form. You can print your membership form at home, fill it out, and bring it with you to orientation. Look for us in the breezeway between A and B Buildings and also outside the High School Gym August 6th and 7th. See you there!



If you would like to volunteer for any of the SAPA fundraisers or service projects, please let us know on your SAPA Membership and Volunteer form that can be printed from our website! Together we can help make our school the best it can be!

Let us hear from you...

If you have questions, comments or ideas for SAPA, please contact one of our Board officers listed above. We'd love to hear your ideas! You can also email all of us at sapa@starkvilleacademy.org.