

HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION GUIDE

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WELCOME 22 TO COLD SPRING ELEMENTARY

October 2024

Dear Cold Spring Families,

We are so excited to take this opportunity to welcome each of you and your families to Cold Spring Elementary School! As Cold Spring Home and School Board Members, it is among our responsibilities to talk with you about what we do, let you know you are already in the club, and encourage you to be as pumped as we are about supporting our school. Welcome to Cold Spring Elementary School! We are so happy you are here.

We may say this many times, but it is important for you to know - all parents/guardians of children enrolled at Cold Spring Elementary, as well as administrators and faculty, are members of the Home and School Association (HSA). We are thrilled to welcome you to not only a wonderful school, but a warm, welcoming community of amazing, staff, incredible students, and a group of parents who care and willingly volunteer their time for the betterment of the students.

Cold Spring Elementary's Home and School Association (HSA) assists in building a vibrant school community for our students, parents/guardians and teachers, and are committed to enhancing the educational and social experience of our students by supporting our teachers in the classroom and all staff. We aim to do this by supporting a range of educational, recreational and community-building activities that connect our students and families and maintain positive communication between home and school. The HSA provides educational and family friendly experiences through volunteering and fundraising.

Some of the events we support are our meet the teachers Ice Cream Social, Pretzel Day, the Book Fair, the Outdoor Classroom, Trunk or Treat, Family BINGO Night, Spring Fair and many more! Check out our web page for a full list of committees and events.



We welcome all the help we can get and would love it if you'd like to volunteer. There are so many ways to get involved including to become a Board Member when there is an opening, co-chair a committee, volunteer on a committee, or just help out with individual segments of events by signing up for a slot on one of our sign up genius'. If you are interested in volunteering for a committee please email us at <u>coldspringhsa@gmail.com</u>. We appreciate you all! Cold Spring wouldn't be the amazing community it is without all of you helping!

Several years ago, in an effort to reduce the amount of paper and ink we were using, we changed our communication methods to email from the school but there are several ways to stay in the know about us throughout the year, including our website at https://www.cbsd.org/domain/467. Several times a year we publish a newsletter that Mr. Cochran will share with families that is also posted online. We'd also like to highlight there is a Cold Spring Elementary Home and School Association Facebook Page that we maintain where you can follow for updates that's located at https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100066646125137. There is also a parent-led Facebook Group called CBSD Cold Spring Parents where parents/guardians and caregivers can ask questions and see updates other parents/guardians are sharing. We also have a Facebook group to stay in the know of volunteering called <u>CBSD Cold Spring Jaguars Doylestown, PA</u>. you'd like directly, again, lf to contact us please email <u>coldspringhsa@gmail.com</u>. Getting involved at your childrens school is a rewarding experience all around and we appreciate you!

Thank you for taking the time to read our welcome letter. We look forward to meeting you at school and wish you all the best year yet!

Sincerely,

Rhonda Ragona, President Mike Batemen, Co-President David Weller, Vice President Angela Cook, Co-Treasurer Leah Clark, Co-Treasurer Tara Marmur, Secretary



MISSION

The Home and School Association is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that is dedicated to promoting a quality educational environment at our school.

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COLD SPRING

Cold Spring Fact Page

•Cold Spring Elementary School is located in Buckingham Township in Doylestown, Pennsylvania.

•Cold Spring is one of 15 elementary schools in the Central Bucks School District. The district also has 5 middle schools and 3 high schools. Central Bucks educates over 20,000 students, making it the third largest district in Pennsylvania.

•Cold Spring educates children in kindergarten through sixth grade.

•Cold Spring was dedicated on September 29, 1995.

•There are approximately 500 students at Cold Spring.

•Our beautiful and well maintained school sits on a 27.6 acre campus.

•Cold Spring employs approximately 80 people.

•The average class size for the entire school is 20 students.

•All students have an electronic device to utilize. Kindergarten through 2nd grade are issued stay at school Ipads and 3rd through 6th grade are issued take home laptops.

Resources

Cold Spring Parent Handbook is currently being updated by our Principal, Mr. Cochran.

What does the HSA Support?

Cold Spring HSA works together to bring enriching events to our school while supporting the needs of teachers and staff. With the generous support of our families and community members, we have a healthy budget to accomplish so much for our school. Events are a combination of fundraisers (monetary contribution for goods or services) and some are free to staff and families (supported by HSA funds).

In 2024-25, the HSA will support:

Ø Meet the Teachers/Grand Opening of the Outdoor Classroom 🖋 Kindergarten Welcome Gifts 6th Grade Socials, End of Year Party and Breakfast, Swag Gifts, EBook Fair **Bus Driver Appreciation** Pretzel Day 🗾 Teacher Grants 🍔 Teacher Hospitality events Harlem Wizards vs. Cold Spring Teachers Mother/Someone Special - Son Event Father/Someone Special - Daughter Dance 🎡 Spring Fair 🔶 Bingo Pumpkin Contest Trunk or Treat Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week 🍯 Garden Club/Bucket Day International Night Assemblies Yearbook Homeroom Parents And much more...

WAYS TO BE IN THE KNOW

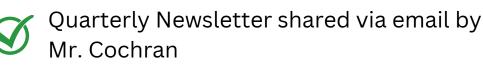
CS HSA will work hard to communicate the current 'happenings.' We will continuosly share information regarding events with parents/guardians via:



Emails sent to parents from Mr. Cochran on behalf of HSA (stand alone and weekly updates)

Ø

CBSD Cold Spring HSA page: https://www.cbsd.org/domain/467



Four open HSA meetings - please see our calendar



Cold Spring Parent-led Facebook Page w/events <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/204774366814519</u> *Please note we are limited by page managers how often we can post.



Posters in the hallway/foyer for the students and faculty as well as visiting families to see.



Cold Spring Happenings Yearly Calendar



Reach out to us anytime, email coldspringhsa@ gmail.com

OUR CURRENT BOARD 24/25

Name/ child(ren)	Position / Description
Rhonda Ragona Ben 4th	Co-President
Mike Bateman Maisie 2nd	Co-President
David Weller Piper & Brody 1st	Vice President
Angela Cook Joseph 6th	Co-Treasurer (Depositor)
Leah Clark Maddie 2nd	Co-Treasurer (Check Writing)
Tara Marmur William 4th Evan 2nd	Secretary

COMMITTEE CHAIRS 24/25

Committee

Co-Chairs

Apparel	Margot Bauer
Bingo	Leslie Morgan Abby Cundari
Book Fair	Divya Cyril Tara Marmur
Bulletin Board	Trisha Markowitz
Father/Someone Special/Daughter	Janelle Coller
Garden Club	Dana Evans Karen Vecchione
Holiday Shop	Jennifer Fisher April Shaikh
Home Room Parent Coordinators/KG Welcome	Rhonda Ragona
Hospitality	Lauren Rigby Mary Beth Tingley
International Night	Marielba Santana Becca Bateman
Mother/Someone Special/Son Event	Rhonda Ragona
Pretzel Day	Fernanda Fitch
Pumpkin Decorating	Rhonda Ragona

Box Tops/Rebates	Rhonda Ragona
6th Grade Social/EOY Party	Angela Cook Janelle Coller
Spring Fair	Rhonda Ragona
CS Superintendent Advisor	Katy DeLorenzo
Yearbook	Kerry Scandale Dani Niblick
Harlem Wizards	Rhonda Ragona Tara Marmur Michal Walson Debbie Olivastri Angela Cook





*DATES AND TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN COLD SPRING'S HSA

Let's work and grow together to better our students' experience.