

Fuel for Learning Partnership

a PTA Council Standing Committee



Wanted: Unit Representatives

In order to facilitate two-way communication between individual units and FFLP, we are recruiting representatives at the Unit level. If you have a passion for the healthful eating and good nutrition of your children, this may be the perfect opportunity for you to make an important contribution to this PTAC initiative. Please contact Michelle McCabe at 331-1066 or planitny@hotmail.com if you are interested in becoming your Unit's FFLP representative.

Job Description for Unit Representatives:

1. Facilitate a two-way communication between Individual Units and Fuel For Learning Partnership, ultimately to PTA Council, Administration, Food Service Department, Teachers, and Board of Education.
2. Attend a monthly meeting to share Unit successes and challenges and receive updates from Fuel for Learning Partnership Committee.
3. Participate in forum discussions to develop solutions to identified issues.
4. Share information with Units at monthly PTA meetings.
5. Observe the lunch experience of children at the Unit.
6. Help our children LIVE the Health Curriculum.

2009-2010 Objectives

In Partnership with PTA Council:

- Obtain representation at individual Units
- Implement nutrition-focused programming

In Partnership with Individual Units:

- Develop 2-way communication
- Hold forum discussions
- Share unit successes and challenges
- Provide information for PTA meetings
- Facilitate development of school garden

In partnership with the Food Service Department:

- Adopt the most recent USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans (2005 vs. 1995)
- Provide regular and direct communication from Food Service Department to parents concerning changes and enhancements to program
- Making available online all nutritional information and ingredient lists of all food served at the Units
- Adopt Procurement Guidelines
- Practice Kaizen (continuous quality improvement)

At large:

- Address ever changing issues impacting Food Service including rapidly rising food and fuel costs, food recalls, health warnings and updated nutritional guidelines
- Dovetail with "Go Green" town initiative