

## Welcome to Horn

On behalf of the Horn Parent and Teacher Organization, welcome to Horn Elementary School! Whether you are new to Horn School or have been here for years, we are glad to have you as part of the Horn family.

Horn has an enrollment of approximately 520 students in grades K-6. Kristin Cannon, principal, previously taught at and attended Horn as a student. Mrs. Cannon works with eighteen classroom teachers and numerous staff to provide every student with an educational experience that promotes individual achievement, nourishes each student's feeling of self-worth, and helps all students develop an intrinsic motivation toward life-long learning.

Parents are very involved in the educational program at Horn. More than 200 parents volunteer each year at Horn. Many parents provide direct help to teachers in classrooms while others work in the media center or with the PTO.

We look forward to working alongside you during your child's time as a Horn Hornet.



## What and When is PTO?

Horn Parent and Teacher Organization (PTO) is made up of ALL parents and guardians of students attending Horn School and the Horn School staff members. We work together through the year towards one common goal: Improving our school!

Horn PTO meetings take place on the first Tuesday of each month in the Horn Media Center from 6:30-8:00pm. ALL families are welcome - we love to hear new ideas and comments from families. The business agenda is covered during the first portion of the meeting followed by an open discussion on a pre-decided topic concerning the school.

Being part of PTO not only benefits our students and teachers - it is also a great way to meet other parents and have fun!

## Horn PTO Leadership

### Co-Presidents

Salina McCarty & Kathryn Morrily

### Co-Vice Presidents

Maria Calahan & Barbara Beinapp

### Co-Secretaries

Holly Bodin & Jen Kruse

### Co-Treasurers

Francine Rath & Mei-ling Joiner

### Co-Volunteer Coordinator

Emily Hughes & Martha Terry

### PTO Editor

Katarina Kulhankova

### WebMaster

Ann Black-Ziegelbein



## Horn PTO Communication

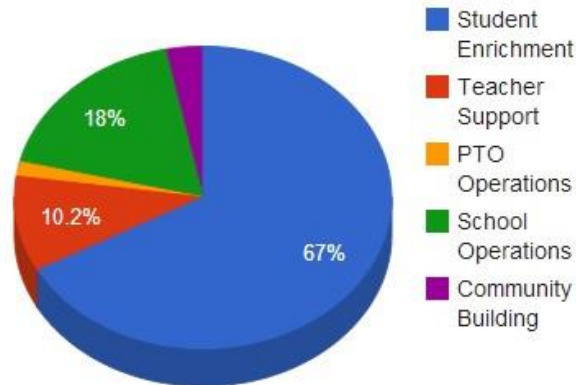
Staying in touch with Horn families is important to the PTO. Because each family is unique, we strive to accommodate you with our communication.

- PTO maintains a website full of important information for Horn families. News is posted about upcoming activities, volunteer opportunities as well as event follow-ups with photos.
- Volunteer efforts are coordinated through the easy to use Sign-Up Genius on-line volunteer organization.
- PTO will also announce events and news in Principal Cannon's weekly Horn Buzz emails, monthly newsletters and paper fliers sent home with students.
- Questions, concerns and ideas are always welcome. Contact the PTO at: [hornpto.iowacity@gmail.com](mailto:hornpto.iowacity@gmail.com)

## Horn PTO Expenses

PTO raises money for Horn School which provides opportunities and equipment to our students that the school would be unable to pay for with only government financing. All funds go directly to the school.

**2013-2014 Expense Allocation: \$33,300**



67% of PTO funds go directly to student enrichment opportunities and supplies including: art supplies, field trips, Geography Bee, indoor recess supplies, International Night, media center updates, music instruments, Opera Iowa, physical education equipment, One Book Two Book Festival, Safety Patrol supplies, Science Fair, Sixth Grade Party, technology enhancements and visiting authors!

## Horn PTO Events

### August

Ice Cream Social  
First Day of School Parent Breakfast  
School Pictures

### September

PTO Kick-Off Meeting  
Willow Creek Park Family Picnic  
Fall Hawkeye Football Parking  
Back to School Nights

### October

International Night  
Horn Olympics

### November

Fall Conference Teacher Meals

### December

Scholastic Book Fair  
Holiday Market  
Taco Supper & Bake Sale

### January

Dance Marathon Pizza Sale  
Spring Chess Club

### February

Winter Carnival  
Silent Auction  
One Book Two Book Festival  
Spring Conference Teacher Meals

### March

School Pictures  
Scanlon Gym Family Night

### April

Naomi's Kitchen Fundraiser  
Science Fair  
Talent Show  
Barnes and Noble Book Fair

### May

Teacher Appreciation Week

