



## NOVAK PTO MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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**SEPTEMBER 2015**



Happy September! We are off to a great start at Novak this year! Thank you to everyone that came out to our first PTO meeting! We had a huge turn out (27 grown-ups, 2 teenagers and 12 kids!) It was great to meet new people and re-connect with others. One of the things we discussed was our two year fundraising goal to re-vamp our outdoor classroom. Many thoughts and ideas were given and we would like some input from you. If you would please take a quick survey on what you would like to see our outdoor classroom feature as well as uses we would greatly appreciate it! **OUTDOOR CLASSROOM SURVEY** We are also looking for your input on our 'Social Nights' **SOCIAL NIGHT SURVEY** Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, Oct 6th. We hope to see you there!

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**STRIDE WITH PRIDE**

This years **Stride With Pride** is on Tuesday, September 22nd (raindate Sept 23rd) and is one of Novak's annual fundraisers. Money raised from Stride With Pride goes directly into our teacher's accounts. They can use it to buy materials, supplies, or anything else they might need for their classrooms. This year there are a few (awesome!) changes! In addition to walking/running around the trail, there will be 'stations' that the kids will stop at and do a fun quick activity! We can also now do ONLINE DONATIONS! If you have family and friends that live out of town and would like to be able to support our school, they can send us a donation through PayPal. Just click here! **PAYPAL DONATION** Quick, Easy and Secure! Money is due by Monday, Sept 21st. Don't forget to ask you employer if they will match your donation!

THIS JUST IN! We have gotten confirmation from Z102.9 that their truck will be here all day to entertain us with music as well as Mr. Shucks from the Cedar Rapids Kernels!

We are also in need of volunteers to make this day a success! Please click on the link to volunteer! **STRIDE WITH PRIDE VOLUNTEER**

Join us at 5:30 p.m. on Sept 22nd to celebrate our successful fundraiser with a **ice cream social and chalk the walk**. We will have chalk available for the kids to decorate the sidewalks at Novak. And of course there will be ice cream (sandwiches).

Rain Date is Wednesday, Sept 23rd.



We had a great turn out for our Grandparents (or someone special) Day Breakfast! A special thanks to Tammy March for organizing it as well as to all of her helpers! Rachael Kumoto, Kerry Smith, Karol Shepherd, Jess Budde, Beth Graves, Renee Nelson, Vanessa Mosley and Jamie Fenoglio. Check out album on Facebook for pictures! **GRANDPARENTS DAY BREAKFAST ALBUM**

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Here are few dates you'll want to make sure are on your calendar!

**Stride with Pride** Sept 22 (rain date Sept 23)

**Ice Cream Social and Chalk the Walk** Sept 22  
5:30 p.m. (rain date Sept 23)

**PTO Meeting!** October 6th 6:30 p.m. (Child Care Provided!)

**Homecoming Parade** Oct 1st 5:00 p.m.

**Volunteer Workshop** Oct 1st 8:15 a.m-10:15 a.m.



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## Easy Ways to Earn Money For NOVAK!

### **BoxTops For Education and Labels For Education**

We love Boxtops and Labels for Education at Novak! These can be turned in at any time, but please remember that they do expire and we don't get credit for them if they are expired. Many of the products that we buy on a regular basis are participating products! It just takes a few moments to snip them and send them into the school. Who doesn't love free money?





## HY-VEE'S CASH 4 STUDENTS

Novak is participating in Hy-Vee's Cash 4 Students again this year. The program is simple and is based on the collection of Hy-Vee grocery receipts. Customers save their Hy-Vee grocery receipts and turn them into the school office. The amount donated will be \$1 for every \$200 in receipts collected. Novak can use the donated money for whatever needs the school has.

\*NOTE: It is extremely helpful to turn them in to Novak throughout the school year.

Following are program details:

- \* All 14 local Hy-Vee Food Stores and Hy-Vee Drugstores are participating
- \* Now collecting receipts dated May 1, 2015 forward.
- \* Receipts will be collected from now through April 30, 2016.

## Target's Take Charge of Education

The Take Charge of Education Program requires the use of one of the REDcards® - which include Target Credit Card®, Target Debit Card®, Target® Visa® Credit Card. You can apply for the Target Credit Cards in the store. For cardholders enrolled in the program, Target donates 1% of all Target Visa Credit Card and Target Credit Card purchases made at a Target store or at Target.com and 1% of all Target Debit Card purchases made at a Target Store. Target donates 1/2% of all Target Visa Credit Card purchases made outside of Target.



Once you have a target card you can visit [www.target.com](http://www.target.com) and designate Novak to receive 1% of all your purchases.

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## CONTACT US!

We would love to hear from you! You can email us at [novakpto@gmail.com](mailto:novakpto@gmail.com) or reach out to us on facebook at [www.facebook.com/novakpto](http://www.facebook.com/novakpto). You can also find us at [www.novakpto.com](http://www.novakpto.com).

The Novak Parent Teacher Organization is a volunteer organization that works exclusively on behalf of our children through the cooperative efforts of our families and staff.

With the Novak PTO, you will discover that we are passionate about your children and promote community and school spirit.

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