

September 16, 2008

Greetings Jones Families,

The Jones' Parent Teacher Organization would like to welcome new and returning families to the 2008/2009 school year. The PTO offers families an opportunity to learn what's happening at school, share ideas and make a difference in their child educational experience. Many exciting activities and programs are planned for this school year...and with your help, we can offer even more.

Please join us for our **first meeting of the school year on Thursday, September 25 at 5:45 p.m.** in the Jones cafeteria. This year the PTO will host the annual *Freshman Family Potluck* on Oct. 17 fall to officially welcome new families to our school. Later this year we will offer *Dare to Prepare* sponsored by AAA, which walks parents, guardians and their teens through the steps necessary to obtain a permit and a driver's license in Illinois and help families navigate through the learning-to-drive process. All families — from freshmen to seniors — will certainly benefit from *College Financial Aid: How to Get Your Fair Share*, an informative seminar designed to show families how to qualify for as much financial aid as legally possible by employing sound financial aid planning principles. So make sure you check the school calendar at HYPERLINK "<http://www.jonescollegeprep.org>" www.jonescollegeprep.org, look out for e-mails and listen to recorded phone call messages from Jones, so don't miss these and other exciting events.

To continue delivering even better educational, informative programs and activities, *we need your help* — **Join the PTO by indicating PTO when completing the Friends of Jones membership form.** Volunteer to work on a committee, help plan activities and volunteer at PTO events. Please complete the attached committee flyer and return it at registration. By becoming involved with the PTO, you will also demonstrate to your child the importance you place on education. *Plus...PTO parent and student volunteers have an opportunity to win great incentives.*

One-Day Elevator or Off-Campus Lunch Pass for Students
Service Learning Hours for Students
One-Day Free Parking Pass for Parents

When you or your child attend a PTO meeting or volunteer at a PTO activity, your child will be entered into a drawing to win a one-day off-campus lunch pass or a one-day elevator pass. And, you will have a chance to win a free One-Day Parking Pass at the Jones parking lot on Harrison. In addition, each time your child volunteers, he/she earns Service Learning hours that count toward the total needed to graduate.

Thanks in advance for your participation. We appreciate your help and look forward to working with each of you throughout the school year.

Sincerely,

Sharon Slaton

President, Parent-Teacher Organization

HYPERLINK "mailto:pto@jonescollegeprep.org" pto@jonescollegeprep.org , 773-534-8600
ext. 26142

Jones College Prep

Parent Teacher Organization