

# ISAAC TRIPP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



## LETTER FROM THE PTA PRESIDENT

September 2016

Dear ITE Community,

Welcome back to school!

As the newly elected PTA President, I would like to welcome all of the new families and returning families to the I.T.E. community. I look forward to meeting and getting to know those of you that I haven't had the opportunity to meet through school functions in the past. My name is Danielle Spathelf, and I am the PTA President for the 2016-2017 school year. I am a mother of four children, all in the SSD, from 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to Senior Year! I have been a member of the Isaac Tripp PTA for 6 years. I have previously served as Secretary, as well as on various fundraising committees (with the PTA, and in addition to other organizations in our community). I am hoping my experience helps in continuing to achieve our primary PTA goal – to provide as much as possible to our amazing students here at ITE.

I am honored to work with an amazing group of parents this year on the PTA Board. We hope you enjoyed your summer and are ready for an exciting and successful school year. Please extend a warm welcome to our new Principal, Kelly Coyne our Pre-School to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Principal along with Principal, Paul Stefani, 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> grade Principal. We've already begun a great working relationship and we are grateful for all of their support of all that the PTA does for our school. To our wonderful teachers, staff, and administration we are looking forward to a great year and will work hard to continue to support you. We appreciate all that you do!

The PTA is an organization that is committed to making a difference in the education, health and safety of all of our children. We partner with our parents, teachers, staff and community on many levels to bring fun and educational programs, events, services, and opportunities to our children to enrich their academic experiences. Your contribution, whether it is your time, knowledge, or resources, makes a difference. We personally invite you to become an involved member of the ITE PTA.

This year I'm excited to announce for the month of September included with each PTA Membership, we will be giving an "arm's length of tickets" to be used for a drawing to win a "Spirit Wear Basket" or "Welcome Back to School Basket!" Baskets will be displayed during Back to School Night, at the PTA Membership table and also at the Sept. PTA Meeting.

Our 1<sup>st</sup> PTA Meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm, all future PTA meeting will be held on the first Monday of the month at 6:30pm. We encourage you to attend to learn more about what your PTA does for Isaac Tripp Elementary students. On behalf of the PTA Board, we hope to see all of you there. We also have a website, Facebook page, Remind.com, Newsletter and e-blasts throughout the year.

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As a mother of four, I understand how busy our schedules are. Here are a few ways to stay connected:

1. Sign up for the PTA! A membership form is enclosed in this packet. Even if you aren't able to attend meetings or feel like you may be a member "in name only", your registration definitely helps. The PTA receives credit for every member who joins every year, so this is a great way to show your support.

2. You can receive weekly emails by registering with our PTA website at : [www.itepta.my-pta.org](http://www.itepta.my-pta.org). Where PTA News will be sent.

3. Visit our website : <http://www.itepta.my-pta.org/>

4 "Like" the Isaac Tripp Elementary School PTA page on facebook. <https://www.facebook.com/itefundraising/>. This is a good way to stay in touch with other parents, and remain informed about upcoming events.

Feel free to email me with your suggestions. Maybe you saw a fun raffle at your church picnic, or bought a fundraising item from a student at a neighboring school. We are always looking for new and great ideas, to add to the favorites that have worked so well for us in the past. [ITEPTAPres.2@yahoo.com](mailto:ITEPTAPres.2@yahoo.com)

We are excited to start another wonderful year at Isaac Tripp Elementary. We have many activities planned and we are happy to be working with all of you and increasing the level of parental involvement in our fundraisers and student activities. We thank you for your past and continued support.

Attached is the Back to School Packet, which includes:

PTA Membership information and forms

Homeroom Parent

Reflections Theme

Jerry for all Season Mum Sale

Volunteer Clearances

Grocery Rewards

Box Tops for Education

Your PTA President,

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