

# HOME & SCHOOL

Highlands Elementary School



## Home & School Association FAQs

### **What is Highlands Home & School Association?**

Highlands Home & School (H&S) is the volunteer group made up of Highlands School parents and guardians who work in cooperation with Highlands' teachers and administration to make our school an extraordinary place for our children. Our H&S runs several school programs and fundraisers throughout the school year. The money raised supports the H&S annual budget and funds every program that we provide to Highlands each year. The H&S School Executive Board is made up of 2 Co-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary and the Highlands Principal. This is the governing body of the Highlands H&S Association.

### **What is SFCP (School, Family, Community Partnership)?**

SFCP is a large sub-committee of H&S composed of parent volunteers, teachers, staff, and community members working together at every school in Naperville District 203. They collaborate and partner together to conduct programs with the purpose of enriching student experiences and learnings. Program themes may include literacy (One Book One School), cultural (Cultural Kaleidoscope), science (Egg Drop), family programs (Grandfriends Night, Parent Pizza Night) and community service projects. The SFCP Board is made up of 2 Co-Presidents. They do not fundraise.

### **Who is a member of H&S?**

As a parent or guardian of a child at Highlands, you are automatically a member of our H&S Association. We welcome and encourage you to come to our monthly meetings and to volunteer for any of our committees.

### **When are the H&S Meetings?**

In general, we hold monthly meetings in the teacher's lounge rotating between mornings and evenings. Upcoming meeting dates are posted in the Whale Watch newsletters and on the H&S Facebook page.

### **What are the H&S Fundraisers?**

All of our H&S programs and activities are only possible through our fundraising events. These may include:

- Golf Outing
- Dinner Dance (adult social)
- Bi-Annual Book Fair
- Restaurant nights
- Shopping events

### **How can I volunteer for a committee?**

In late August, H&S sends out a Whale Watch with the web link to sign up for many volunteer opportunities for the school year. This is our annual volunteer drive to get our committees up and running right away. However, you can talk to any of the committee chairs at any time during the year and volunteer. Many volunteer opportunities have very flexible time commitments. There will be additional opportunities throughout the year as well.

### **How will I receive information about H&S and Highlands School events and volunteer opportunities?**

- A weekly **Whale Watch** email detailing all the school events and opportunities for the week.
- H&S has a **Facebook group: Highlands Home & School Association (H&S)** that all parents can join with news and volunteer needs.

### **If I have questions about committees, volunteering or general Home & School questions, who should I contact?**

Please feel free to contact Highlands Home and School at [highlandshands@gmail.com](mailto:highlandshands@gmail.com)

***We look forward to meeting you and working with you this year!  
Thank you for your support!***