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Greetings Drew Charter School Families!

As we approach the start of the new 2016-2017 school year, we wanted to let you know about the Drew Charter PTA initiatives, programs and events. We want to ensure that all of our Drew families know what the PTA does and how it works toward its goal of making every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all our Drew students. We also want to invite you to volunteer with us to strengthen our support for our families, teachers, and most importantly, our students. To join the PTA: [Drew PTA Membership Online](#). You can keep up with PTA news and events at our PTA website, <http://www.drewcharterschoolpta.com>.

Drew Charter PTA provides funding for enrichment programs and materials, teacher support, and parent resources that would otherwise be unavailable at the school. There are many programs and events the Drew Charter PTA supports with our volunteers and financial assistance including: PTA Principal's Coffees for all three academies every month, Special Needs Family Group coffees / workshops, Summer Camp Expo, Fall Festival, Red and White Ball, Screen on the Green, Safe Routes to School Walks to School, Health and Wellness Programs, Eagle Holiday Giving Tree, Uniform Donation Closet in Elementary Academy, Uniform Donation Drive in Junior and Senior Academies, Assistance with Healthy Drew, Healthy You and the Family Fun Fit Festival, Room Parent organization and support, Donations to the social events for Junior and Senior Academies, Emergency funding for families, Goal Setters in Elementary Academy, Trust card program in Junior and Senior Academies, Georgia Tech Summer Bridge Program Pizza Lunch for rising Drew 9<sup>th</sup> graders, Reflections Student Art Competition, Summer Reading Book Swap, Drew Dads events, Back-to-School luncheon for teachers and staff, First Friday Teacher Appreciation recognition year-round, Teacher Appreciation Week activities, PTA website with PTA and school information and updates, PTA newsletter, and Classroom Enrichment Grants for teachers and staff to provide learning opportunities to our students that would otherwise not have funding.

**Drew PTA appreciates any and all volunteers and donations!** There are numerous opportunities to get involved. For more information about our officers, our committees, and our programs and initiatives, visit: [PTA Officers, Committees, & Programs](#). To volunteer, email us at [PTADrew@gmail.com](mailto:PTADrew@gmail.com), and be sure to sign up for PTA membership at [Drew PTA Membership Online](#).

Our PTA, our students, and our school depend on our families' involvement to make all of these events and programs happen. Family engagement supports student success! Bringing families together at the school is a huge part of the PTA's mission. Please help us continue to provide the events and support all of our students and families need and enjoy!

We hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,  
Will Clay & Maggie Stewart  
2016-2017 Drew Charter School PTA Co-Presidents