

Dear Highlands Parents and Families,

My name is AK Hardeman and I am the Highlands Parents Auxiliary (PA) Chair this coming school year. My husband, Casey, and I have two children at Highlands, Dewey and Ann Archer. Dewey will be in third grade and Ann Archer who will be in first grade. One of the things that drew our family to Highlands was the sense of community among the parents, students, teachers, and staff. That community was on full display last year with a fun-filled year of traditions and events that we all love. I am looking forward to continuing the fun this year and introducing our new families to the community that makes our school so special.

All parents are members of the PA! The PA brings parents together in support of the school's mission. We do so through supporting our teachers and staff where we can, fundraising, events, and enhancing the communication between the school and its families.

The Highlands community of parents is a diverse, engaged group and an integral part of the home-school partnership. One of the best ways to get involved and help the Highlands community is to volunteer and a great way to meet fellow parents! As we enter the new school year please consider helping in your child's classroom, extracurriculars, the school and the many fun events we have for families and students.

Please mark your calendars for our three PA Meetings, which will be held immediately after drop off on October 10th, January 23rd, and May 14th. Your creativity, ideas, energy, and voice are all part of what makes Highlands great, and we need you to be involved! Please sign up to serve on a committee or feel free to contact me to find one that would work best for you and your schedule.

I am very excited about the upcoming year, and I am here for you if you need me. I look forward to seeing each of you at our events this fall!

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