

**Partners in Education
St. Brigid School
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Dear St. Brigid Families:

Hello and welcome to St. Brigid School! For some of you this is a **welcome back** to St. Brigid and for others it is a **welcome to** St. Brigid. Either way, we are glad you are here! My name is Rebecca Shelek and I am the 2008-2009 St. Brigid P.I.E. president. The purpose of this letter is to motivate you to become an active member in the St. Brigid P.I.E. Once you hear about all of the WONDERFUL activities we support, and opportunities we provide at St. Brigid, you are going to want to sign up immediately!!

St. Brigid P.I.E frequently asked questions...

What is P.I.E.?

P.I.E. stands for Partners in Education.

What doe P.I.E. do?

P.I.E. provides an avenue of communication between parents and school, and it fosters activities to benefit all children of the school and parish.

How does P.I.E. do these things?

P.I.E. conducts regular meetings, scheduled every other month from September through May. We provide funding for items and activities that the children may not have without our support.

What are these items and activities?

St. Brigid P.I.E. provides funding for the buses for class trips for every grade, in school cultural events, visiting authors, Artist in Residence, financial support for art, physical education and music, support for technology in the classroom, Grandparents Day, Power of the Pen and Science Fair, and anything else that needs our help. We also provide support and direction for family fun activities, field day activities, Catholic Schools Week activities, parties, homeroom parent supplies, and any other requests from teachers.

Where does the money come from?

We receive money through various fundraisers and events throughout the year. The fundraisers involve only adults. No students are asked to contribute any time, and all adult members of the school and parish are welcome to participate. They include the following: Bingo Kitchen, Christmas Bazaar, Fair Gates, Kroger Gift cards, and Market Day.

Why should I/we come to a P.I.E. meeting?

With your help we are looking forward to an AMAZING 2008- 2009! You are encouraged to come to our P.I.E meetings and find out for yourself what's going on at St. Brigid. You just may find out that the school needs help in your field of expertise. We also want you to have a say in how the money that we work hard for is spent. Remember, one of the best investments you can make in your child is being involved with his or her school and P.I.E. is an easy way to do it.

When are the P.I.E. meetings?

The P.I.E. meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every other month, starting in September (with exceptions.) in the school at 7:00 PM. The meetings are usually one hour long.. Listed below are the dates for the 2008-2009 school year:

September 24

November 19

January 21

March 18

May 20

Good Luck to all of you this coming year and I hope to see you at our first P.I.E. meeting on Wednesday, September 24th. If you have any questions or ideas, feel free to call me at 937-374-2632 or email: rshelek@woh.rr.com.

God Bless,

Rebecca J. Shelek

P.I.E. President