



GOOD NEWS REPORT

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It is my pleasure to honor the Towanda Parent/Teacher Organization with a good news report. In June 2004 the teachers at Towanda Elementary wrote a nomination for this organization to receive an Education Community Service Award sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution. On September 19, 2004 we attended the award ceremony and were thrilled to find that the Towanda PTO was one of the recipients. The group received a certificate honoring the organization at that point in time. Now, the actual award is ready to be presented and we at Towanda Elementary wanted to recognize this wonderful group of people in front of the Board of Education.

Although the PTO's activities are too numerous to mention, some examples are as follows:

1. Many parents volunteer their time to work in classrooms, with groups of students, or individual students.
2. These individuals organize parents to maintain school grounds by spreading mulch, weeding and planting.
3. They fundraise tirelessly to make sure students and staff have needed materials and to help fund extra events for the school.
4. Many activities are sponsored for families such as a Back to School Picnic, Deck the Halls, and others.
5. The PTO provides lunch and snacks for the staff throughout the school year.
6. The Towanda staff receives gifts from the PTO as a sign of appreciation at different times throughout the year.

I could go on and on about how important this organization is to the school. In a small building, more people have to step up to the plate to have quality programs, and the parents at Towanda Elementary truly do this. We are very thankful to have their valuable support.

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