

Memo:Home and School Association Annual AppealDate:September 2022To:Lincoln & Thomas Jefferson FamiliesFrom:Home and School Association Board

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! We would like to introduce ourselves as the board of the Rockaway Borough Home and School Association (RBHSA). The RBHSA has a long history of supporting our administration, students, and teachers. We are so looking forward to continuing this tradition of supporting the educational, social, and cultural growth of our students and staff!

Our first order of business is to launch our annual membership appeal. For \$10.00 per family you can join the RBHSA. **As a member you can vote on grants, plan events for students and staff, and participate in monthly board meetings!** All money raised will go directly to improving the schools for both students and staff. Last year, we were able to donate home and school communication folders for students, outdoor recess equipment, ice pops and water for Field Day, fund three Morris Hills High School scholarships, and donate towards the 8th grade fund. We were also able to celebrate the teachers during Teacher's Appreciation Week with a luncheon, replenish snack baskets for staff throughout the year, and fulfill multiple mini grants from staff! Additionally, the RBHSA provided staff with an Amazon gift card at the beginning of the year to use towards their classroom needs.

Please complete the attached membership form as soon as possible (no later than December 3, 2022) if you are interested in becoming a member. Please consider making a voluntary donation in any amount to the RBHSA that will be applied directly to our operating budget. Donations can be included with your membership fee. No donation is too small.

Furthermore, it is our goal to follow tradition and sponsor **special events**. Please save the date for our upcoming Tricky Tray on **Friday**, **April 28**, **2023** at the White Meadow Lake Clubhouse!

If you are interested in volunteering on a sub-committee or have any questions, please email <u>rbhsa@rockboro.org</u>.

**RBHSA meetings are held in the Thomas Jefferson Middle School Cafeteria at 7:00pm.** The meeting dates are: September 14th, October 5th, November 2nd, December 7th, and January 11th. More dates will be announced soon.

Thank you in advance for your support. *<u>Together we can make a difference</u>*!

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