

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2010-2011 school year for Blackhawk Christian Early Childhood. My name is Melissa Wever and I am in charge of the Hospitality committee for our Early Childhood teachers this year.

Our children's preschool is more than just a place where we send our little ones to learn. For me, it has become a "family". My oldest went across the street to Kindergarten last year and my youngest was not old enough for preschool last year, so I missed coming to the multi-weekly "reunions" last year. I am so glad to be back! If this is your first year here, you will soon find out how much the teachers and staff here really do love our children. Those of you who have been here previously, hopefully have already seen that love. My goal as hospitality leader is to organize ways for us to help show that love back to our teachers and show our appreciation for all that our teachers do.

Our teachers have monthly planning meetings and we will be providing meals for them for those meetings. You will not be expected to provide the whole meal. Usually, a team of parents will plan the meals and each person of the team would provide a part of the meal. Once we get all the volunteers, I will make up a schedule. Hopefully, if enough people sign up, each volunteer would only need to assist with a few meetings.

Also, we like to provide our teachers with encouragement cards to let them know how much we appreciate all they do and to let them know that we are praying for them. We usually have parents assigned to a certain month and just ask that they get them done at their convenience throughout that month.

Our teachers meet for devotions every morning before school starts (around 7:30-7:45) and sporadically we like to surprise them with a special treat for them to enjoy during these meetings. Let me know if you are interested in helping with these treats.

My favorite time of year is the spring when the scrapbook craziness begins!!! Yes, I am a scrapbooker! The scrapbooking sessions are a great time to get to know the other parents. I didn't know that many of the parents my son's first year, until we all pulled together to work on the scrapbooks. Even if you don't scrapbook, there are other ways you can help.

Miss Laurie has also asked for some volunteers for "Irregular Odd Jobs". We would like to have a list of names of you who would be willing to be called for things such as making copies, cutting laminate and setting up for events like the Thanksgiving Feast. There may be things that pop up and the teachers could use your help if you would be willing to have your name on the list.

Finally, we are looking for "School Prayer Partners". We would like to have people assigned to each classroom/teacher and also could be called upon when a need for prayer arises.

We greatly appreciate those of you who are willing to donate your time to help with these items. If any of you would like to send a monetary donation to help offset the cost of the scrapbooks and other gifts, it would be greatly appreciated as well.

Please contact me if you have any questions. My home number is 260-471-6300, my cell number is 260-494-8765 and my email is: melissawever@hotmail.com. Please return the bottom of this form in your child's backpack or contact me using the email or numbers above to let me know how you can help!

Thank you for your time.

Melissa Wever

(cut and return to your child's teacher)

Parent Name: _____

Best way to contact you: _____

_____ I would be willing to help with: (Circle all that apply)

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| 1. Monthly meals | 2. Encouragement Cards | 3. Devotional Treats |
| 4. Scrapbook Helpers | 5. Irregular Odd Jobs | 6. School Prayer Partner |