

## Welcome back Ridgeline!!

It's hard to believe summer is over already but here we are! It is wonderful to see all those smiling faces rolling into our school, and since we continue to grow, there are plenty of smiles to go around! We just want to welcome our new teachers this year: Mrs. Nielsen, Miss Bristow, Mrs. Doxey, Miss Rose, Mrs. Koop, and welcome an extra kindergarten class AND an extra first grade class! Ridgeline is certainly full of energy this year! Also we want to welcome Sherry Schomaker in our front office as our new Head Secretary!

We are so excited about all the fun stuff planned this year including a new reading program, our Military Family activities, our school carnival on Sept 28th, and SO much more! As always, we need plenty of help so please email us at [ridgelinepta@rocketmail.com](mailto:ridgelinepta@rocketmail.com) if there's anything you'd like to get involved with this year.

Thank you to everyone that has helped make our school year start safely by observing bus rules and drop off/pick up procedures. It really makes a difference to our children so we appreciate your support!

This is the month to join PTA, **your \$7.50 will help run all the great programs we have at Ridgeline like Take Home Reading, Dads and Doughnuts, Student Birthdays, Safety Ribbon Weeks, etc, etc, etc...** We have an amazing school and it wouldn't be possible without our amazing parents!! Thanks for all you do!!

Have a wonderful September,  
Veronica Reginato  
PTA President

## Legislative Update by Stephanie Jones

I love a good break from the hustle and bustle of life, but I also love getting back into a schedule. As your legislative representative, it's my job to help keep you informed about upcoming meetings that you might be interested in attending and help keep you informed of current school, district and political issues.

Here are some ways you can keep updated with what's going on in your community:

**Ridgeline:** The next PTA meeting is *Thursday, Sept. 6 at 10am*. Please come and hear all the exciting things your PTA is planning for the school year.

**Alpine District:** The school board holds meetings twice a month and the next meeting is on *Tuesday, Sept. 11 at 6pm* at the district office and **Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 6pm** at Scera Park Elementary.

**School Community Council:** Their next meeting is **Monday, Sept. 10 at 3:30pm** at Ridgeline.

These are all great ways to get involved and really find out what's happening in your community.

If you're interested on a state level, contact your representative to get the scoop and make your voice heard. To find out what bills the Utah PTA are watching, go to [www.utahpta.org/bills](http://www.utahpta.org/bills).

**Make sure you are registered to vote!**

PTA BOARD MEETING  
TOMORROW @ 9:30AM AT  
RIDGELINE (SEPT 6<sup>TH</sup>)

## Green Ribbon Week: Safety Week!

*The Green Ribbon Month Campaign is a program that focuses on children's pedestrian safety.*

Parents can take the Green Ribbon Pledge to slow down in school zones and residential neighborhoods, increase their awareness of these areas, and encourage their participation in advocating safer crossings and streets for children.

**Walking Safety Tips:** Have a Buddy System; Be Alert; Be on Time; Avoid Shortcuts; After-School Call (if parents are working, make sure their child calls to tell them they made it home safely)

**Busing Safety Tips:** Walk safely to the bus stop and stay well away from the street; Arrive at the bus stop 10 minutes before bus pick-up; When waiting, keep yourself and your belongings out of the road and away from traffic; Don't run between parked cars and buses; Never move towards the bus until it has stopped and the driver opens the door.

## Reflections 2012-2013 Theme: "The Magic of a Moment"

**Due Date: Friday, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>**

There are eight categories for them to get creative with: Film, Visual Art, 3-D Art, Photography, Theater, Literature, Dance, & Music.

**Visit the office or [utahpta.org](http://utahpta.org) for forms & rules. Questions, call Alicia Dahl 455-9625**

Remember the idea needs to be 100% from your child's imagination. Here are some ideas to help your child understand the theme: Look up the definition of "moment" with them; ask them what moments they think are magical; turn the theme into a question and have them fill in the blank; "A magical moment can..." Once they have an idea, ask them how they can show and explain that idea in a dance, picture, drawing, story, etc.

**You & your child will be amazed by their imagination if you help support this great program!**