

STANHOPE HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (HSA) WELCOMES YOU BACK TO SCHOOL!!

We welcome our new and returning students, parents and staff back to school. The Stanhope HSA is the parent-teacher organization of our K-8 Valley Road School and our Linden Avenue Preschool. Our goal is to support and work with the school for the benefit of our students. Our mission is to be instrumental in providing our students with activities, programs and equipment that will enhance their total school experience. Parents, teachers and administrators may support the association through a yearly membership fee. Business is conducted and decisions are made by an Executive Board of officers and volunteer parents who agree to work on various committees that are formed each year. We encourage and solicit input from all parents who wish to become actively involved in this organization. Parents and staff members are encouraged to join the Stanhope HSA and to actively participate in it. We hold our meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7pm in the Media Center.

If you have any questions, would like additional information or would like to volunteer, please contact Sherry Caravano, President at (973)426-9092 or hobbylover@optonline.net

We serve as a liaison in the following ways:

- Holds meetings each month, including the Annual Back to School Night during which time parents are encouraged to meet their child's teachers, visit classrooms and learn about the curriculum proposed for that year. Sponsors various events/programs such as the Spelling Bee, Student of the Month, Field Day and Honor Roll Breakfast.
- Sponsors annual programs and assemblies such as the fall and spring book fair, a Holiday Boutique and a Mother's Day flower sale.
- Organizes fundraisers each year to accumulate the monies necessary to fund the awards and grants it provides for students and teachers. Other yearly expenditures include publishing of the school calendar, student planners, graduation awards, sponsorships of the eighth grade graduation, the first grade Thanksgiving Feast and the eighth grade dinner dance.
- Supplements the funding provided to teachers/schools through grants for specific purchases (some past examples include a laminating machine, digital cameras, stage lighting, new stage curtain, playground equipment, girls/boys basketball uniforms, new sound system, choral risers, additional gym lockers and blinds for the classrooms) or through its Classroom Education Fund, which gives direct grants to each teacher.