

# **The Community Parent Coalition**

## *Come Join Us*

As the new school year is upon us, the Community Parent Coalition would like to officially announce that we are actively seeking parents of Elementary, Junior High and High School students to join us.

What is the Community Parent Coalition you ask? We are a group of parents with common goals for our schools and our children. We want to enhance the positive goings on in our school communities. There are many wonderful things that happen at our schools on a daily basis. It is our intention to enhance those things and to bring about even more. It is also our intention to bring consistent attention to the truly great things that happen daily here in our school community.

Our efforts are based on creating positive events, positive relationships and recognizing the positive the exists in EACH staff member, teacher and student.

Our goals are clearly stated as

- Support parents in addressing their child's needs
- Serve as a collaborative organization for elementary, middle and high school parents
- Promote a positive culture for all Julian Schools
- To help bridge the gap between students, staff and parents in the Julian school community.

How we achieve these goals will be based upon the participation of each member involved. We will work together to collaborate our efforts for events, ideas and even attitude. With a strong group of parents who share the goal to create the best possible place for our kids to be in while they are learning, we can't help but succeed.

Our group started out during mid year of the 2007-2008 school year. We implemented the "Coffee With the Superintendent." Which was a huge success (Thanks to all of you who attended). This tradition will continue beginning in September. Come to the Coffee House to meet with fellow parents and your superintendent(s). Mr. Peabody has proven to be a wonderful addition and Community Parent Coalition is thrilled to say he has been an active part of our planning and implementation.

Many of you enjoyed "Parent Day" at Julian High School in the final quarter of the school year. This was another event put together by the coalition, with great cooperation and support from all of the high school staff (and even students).

During National Teacher's Week in May 2008, The Community Parent Coalition honored teachers and staff with a breakfast and a lunch, put on by the volunteers who belong to the coalition.

The P.A.R Program - Positive Action Recognition was also started in the 2007/2008 school year. Many students were recognized for simply exhibiting positive, community building behaviors. No need to “move the earth,” we simply want to acknowledge our students when they make the right choices, be they large or small. Because all good choices matter when their minds, values and ideals are forming. It’s so important to take a moment and let a child know when they are moving in the right direction. The PAR program will be reporting these great kids to the Julian News - Be on the look out.

Recognizing that a positive culture is just an attitude away, we the members of the Community Parent Coalition are working hard to bring this positive culture to the forefront of each of our minds.

We invite you to join us. Share with us your ideas on building a positive environment for all who are a part of the education of our children. Our teachers, our staff, our families will all benefit from the growth of a culture that brings out the best in each of us.

The next Community Parent Coalition meeting is September at Julian High School. 6:00pm in Room 4. For more information, visit our website, [www.juliancpc.org](http://www.juliancpc.org)