

Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools. Congratulations to these deserving educators.

8. Helen Lester will be visiting Hill School this month to meet our primary students and discuss her life and work as an author. She is the author of the Tacky books that young children and adults adore!

Ruth Hill School PTA  
Principal Report  
March 8, 2010

1. Kindergarten registration will take place on March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at our south site. A kindergarten orientation will be held for families in May with kindergarten screening being held in the fall of 2010. Kindergarten enrollment, like all other grades at Hill School next fall, will be open for students attending on a special attendance permit.
2. This week a letter will be sent to parents detailing the procedures that are in place for parents who wish to share information related to their child's class placement for the upcoming school year. Typically less than 10% of our families submit this type of correspondence. The correspondence is optional for families who wish to record specific information about their child pertaining to class placement. If you choose not to submit this information please know that the staff at Hill School considers every child and his/her needs when making class placement decisions.
3. During the months of March, April, and May there is a considerable amount of assessment conducted in grades 3, 4, and 5. Parents of students at these grade levels will receive a testing schedule and your cooperation in making appointments for students outside of these times is greatly appreciated.
4. The staff at Hill School enjoyed the potato bar for teachers in honor of teacher recognition day. Your support all throughout the year for students and staff makes our school a wonderful place and all of us feel valued.
5. Fourth grade students through a variety of fund-raising efforts; bracelets, popcorn balls, and skating party, have raised nearly \$1,750 to donate to Haiti relief efforts.
6. During the 2010-2011 school year Hill School students will have a part time teacher designated at our school to teach the Chinese language. Details of how the instruction will be delivered has not been determined at this time.
7. Several Hill School teachers have been recognized for their skill and leadership in working with youth. Kelly Bjorkman has been nominated for the State Farm Outstanding Educator Award and Fredstrom Leadership Award. Jean Claus has been nominated for the State Farm Outstanding Educator Award and also was a recipient of the East Lincoln Sertoma Teacher of the Month Award in February. Larry Parker and Humaira Syed were also nominated by staff to be the recipients of the gold stars representing the excellence at Hill School at the Gold Star Salute in May hosted by the