

# Let's Talk the Talk about the Walk!

## Benson Hill Walk-A-Thon '10



Start today to “Talk the Talk about the Walk”! The Benson Hill PTA Walk-A-Thon 2010 is here and it's time for the parents and kids of Benson Hill to tell everyone about our **primary Fall fundraiser!**

The Benson Hill PTA Walk-A-Thon is **Friday, September 24th, from 5:00pm—6:30pm.** The day to start asking for donations is **TODAY!**

If each student can collect just \$25 or more, we can achieve our school goal of \$13,000. PTA programs and services, such as the ones listed below, can continue to be funded and supported by PTA:

- **Book distribution for all students**
- **Buses for field trips**
- **Teacher support for classroom supplies**
- **Dance & Family Nights**
- **5th Grade Camp**

### Why do we need donations?

The Renton School District is continuing to be affected by state cuts to educational funding. PTA provides opportunities and programs to enrich Benson Hill kids' learning experiences and informs parents about educational issues that can impact our kids. Additionally, each classroom receives \$75 from PTA each year to supplement the needed educational supplies specific to each teacher's class curriculum and projects.

### How does the Walk work?

1. Return the donations in the envelope provided along with the completed form to school anytime between Tuesday and Friday, September 21-24. The school-wide donation total, top classroom contest winners, and top individual winners will be announced the following week.
2. A water station will be open during the course, and concessions will be available for purchase after you complete the walk.
3. Parents and family members are welcome to join in the walk (**NO PETS PLEASE!**) You may start the walk anytime between 5:00pm-6:30pm, but please keep in mind the course closes at 6:30pm.
4. This is a PTA Sponsored Event — all children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian, age 18 or older. No drop off's!
5. **WALK HAPPENS RAIN OR SHINE**—please be prepared for the weather!

Past surveys of the parents at Benson Hill has shown that parents prefer a 100% donation to PTA over fundraisers where a product (like gift wraps, chocolate, etc.) must be purchased. The Walk-A-Thon provides a healthy, fun alternative to traditional fundraising that allows all kids to participate in making their school great!

*If you have further questions or would like to volunteer for the Walk-A-Thon, please contact Lisa Edwards at [ergolisa@comcast.net](mailto:ergolisa@comcast.net) or Vivien Mitchell at [vivienm@live.com](mailto:vivienm@live.com).*

*Please make checks payable to “BENSON HILL PTA” - your donation is 100% tax deductible!*