



Boston Higashi School Parent Association

Executive Board Goals for 2018 - 2019 School Year

The mission of the Boston Higashi School Parent Association is to support and enhance the educational and recreational endeavors of the Boston Higashi School on behalf of the students and staff, in keeping with the vision of the late Dr. Kiyo Kitahara, the founder of Boston Higashi School and the unique methodology called Daily Life Therapy.

- 1. We will have an open and collaborative relationship with Higashi staff and one another:**
 - a. we will use Bloomz as the primary method of communication for Executive Board business, as it's platform offers an effective way of keeping track of communications
 - b. we will seek staff input when planning fundraising and appreciation activities
 - c. we will plan out our calendar of activities at the start of the school year, being mindful of the work impact on staff and us and the cost impact to fellow parents for each activity
 - d. we will plan out our budget at the start of the school year, and maintain clear and accurate records of all Parent Association profits and expenditures
 - e. we will debrief after each major Parent Association activity, to improve on future efforts (ie what went well, what was challenging, what can be done differently next time)
 - f. we will regularly check in with the BHS PA mission and our goals, calendar, and budget, and make adjustments as needed, to make sure we remain on track
- 2. We will have effective communication with fellow Higashi parents and staff:**
 - a. we will use the the monthly PA e-newsletter to communicate about PA news, upcoming events and sales opportunities to be involved, thank yous, etc.
 - b. we will use Bloomz on a regular basis to communicate with fellow Higashi parents, encourage parents to sign up for Bloomz on a regular basis, and offer written and/or in-person tutorials to help them better use the platform
- 3. We will engage fellow Higashi parents in Parent Association activities:**
 - a. we will promote the mission, purpose, and value of the Parent Association at Higashi events and in Parent Association media on an ongoing basis
 - b. we will host two open Parent Association meetings to get input from fellow parents
 - c. we will invite fellow parents help out with each major Parent Association activity, both with pre-planning and day-of tasks
- 4. We will encourage relationship building between fellow Higashi parents:**
 - a. we will explore bringing back division and/or class parents
 - b. we will explore bringing back the Higashi parent directory, in print or online form
 - c. we will welcome new families at Parent Collaboration meetings, and encourage veteran families to attend
 - d. we will host two off-campus social opportunities for parents
- 5. We will show appreciation to Higashi staff for the work they do by sponsoring at least one appreciation event or activity during each term**
- 6. We will fund staff appreciation and other Parent Association expenses by hosting at least one fund raising event or activity during each term**