

Dear PTA Presidents:

The Montgomery County Council of PTA, Educational Programs, Inc. (MCCPTA-EPI) excitedly announces the return of the Hands On Science Program for the spring of 2008. Hands On Science (HOS), originating in Montgomery County in 1980, has provided quality informal science programs for children from Kindergarten through the sixth grade for over 27 years.

The new director, Barbara Griner, has been with the Hands On Science programs for 25 years serving as an Adult Leader, trainer and curriculum designer. She will be selecting several schools throughout the County for a pilot program of one-hour classes per week for 8 weeks to begin in March. Children will participate in small age appropriate groups of no more than 11 students each in Kindergarten-first grades, second-third grades and fourth-fifth grades.

As in the past, each school PTA that wishes to participate provides a parent volunteer who will act as the contact person for the HOS program. The spring topic will be ***Waves and Rhythms, The Physics of Sound and Flight***. If your school is interested in offering this program in the spring, please contact Barbara at BGrinerHOS@aol.com.