



McKinley School PTA

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Dear Fellow McKinley Families:

I hope that you are as excited as I am about the new school year! The PTA has been busy planning what I hope is a memorable 2017-18 school year filled with a plethora of activities and events for you and your children.

In this packet, you will find information about the PTA, upcoming events, and how you can get involved – every bit of it is important to the success of our school!

Become a Member

A key flyer to highlight is the PTA Membership Form right behind this letter.

I hope you will take a few minutes to read and complete this form.

Membership in the PTA will not only better connect you to McKinley and its *amazing teachers*, but it will also promote your children's success as a learner. Research shows that students with engaged and involved families are more likely to become successful students. Furthermore, being a member enables you to vote on the PTA Officers, bylaws, and our budget.

Be Involved

There are a variety of ways to get involved from one-day events to ongoing programs.

Our school has one of the most active PTAs in Fairfield.

To help you navigate the volunteer terrain, we have provided you with lists of committees and their contacts, and event descriptions – a valuable reference. You will find that there is truly something for everyone. You choose the extent to which you would like to be involved.

Raise Funds

Through various fundraising efforts, the largest being the McKinley Carnival, the PTA is able to provide our incredibly talented teaching staff with grants, subsidize our students' field trips, offer enrichment programs such as bringing authors & performers to the school, and much more!



Events

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER EVENTS HIGHLIGHTS

- 8/31 **First Day of School**
- 8/31 **Tears & Cheers Breakfast** 9:00 a.m.
Cafeteria
- 9/6 **Meet McKinley Night (Open House)** 7:00 p.m.
Gymnasium
- 9/8 **Ice Cream Social & Book Fair** 6:30 p.m.
Cafeteria & Gymnasium
- 9/13 **Odyssey Meeting** 6:30 p.m.
Library
- 9/13 **PTA General Membership Meeting** 7:00 p.m.
Library
- 9/15- **Saugatuck Sweets Fundraiser Weekend**... 3:30 p.m.
9/17 *28 Reef Road, Fairfield, CT*
- 9/24 **Color Walk-a-thon** 9:00 a.m.
Parking Lot & Fields
- 9/27 **Room Parent Orientation** 3:00 p.m.
Cafeteria
- 9/27 **Kindness Matters Meeting** 7:00 p.m.
Library

My overarching goal is to strengthen our sense of **community, connection, and cohesion**. I look forward to working together with all of you to make this school year filled with wonderful experiences for all our students: new friendships, strong academics, social/emotional development and most importantly, FUN for everyone!

If you have any questions, please contact me at AnnaMcKinleyPTA@gmail.com.

Warm regards,



Anna Wood
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