

Palisades Elementary 2017/2018

Parent Teacher Organization

Welcome to the new school year! Below, you will find important information about the Palisades Elementary Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). **Anyone is welcome to get involved, and there are a variety of ways to do so!** Check out the info below and if questions pop up, feel free to contact the PTO Board any time at gretna.palisades.pto@gmail.com. We meet monthly at the school & would love to see you there! Our goal is to provide the best experience for our entire school family. We hope you can join us in helping to make this our best year yet!



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Mark Your Calendar! We hope to see you soon!

SEPTEMBER

11th – Runza Benefit Night
(168/Harrison) 5:00-8:00 PM
12th – PTO Meeting 7:30 PM
15th – Snack Attack Begins
18th-21st – Book Fair
19th – Kona Ice Visits School 3:30-6:30PM
21st – Pancake Dinner at School 5-7:00 PM
28th – Cold Stone Benefit Night
(126/Giles) Open-Close!

OCTOBER

6th - Torch Run
8th-12th – Pizza West LaVista Benefit Week
(Lunch/Dinner/Take-Out all Week!)
12th – PTO Meeting 3:15 PM
17th/19th – Parent/Teacher Conferences
18th – YoYo Berry Benefit Night
(168/Harrison) 2:00-9:00 PM
24th – Arby's Benefit Night (I-80/Hwy 370) -
5:00-8:00 PM-Please mention Palisades!
26th – 2nd & 3rd Grade Music Program
26th – Don & Millie's Benefit Night
(144/Harrison) 4:00-9:00 PM
31st – Fall Classroom Parties

NOVEMBER

9th – 4th Grade Music Program
9th – Jimmy John's Benefit Night
(168/Harrison) 5:00-9:00 PM – Please
mention Palisades Elementary!
14th – PTO Meeting 7:30 PM
30th – B & B Express Benefit Night
(168/Harrison) 4:00-8:00 PM
Please mention Palisades!

DECEMBER

6th - Cold Stone Benefit Night
(126/Giles) Open-Close!
14th - 1st Grade Music Program
14th – Freddy's Benefit Night 5-9:00PM –
Please mention Palisades! (5210 S. 136th St)
21st – Winter Classroom Parties

JANUARY

9th - Arby's Benefit Night (I-80/Hwy 370)
5:00-8:00 PM-Please mention Palisades!
18th - PTO Meeting 3:15 PM
22nd – Culver's Benefit Night
(156/Q) 5:00-8:00 PM

FEBRUARY

4th-8th - Pizza West LaVista Benefit Week
(Lunch/Dinner/Take-Out all Week!)
9th - Sock Hop Family Night 6-8pm
13th/15th – Parent/Teacher Conferences
14th – Valentine Classroom Parties
20th - Runza Benefit Night
(168/Harrison) 5:00-8:00 PM
22nd – PTO Meeting 3:15 PM

MARCH

5th - 9th - Staff Appreciation Week
6th – Culver's Benefit Night
(156/Q) 5:00-8:00 PM
8th - Kindergarten Music Program
13th – PTO Meeting 7:30 PM

APRIL

9th - Freddy's Benefit Night 5-9:00 PM –
Please mention Palisades! (5210 S. 136th St)
17th - Cold Stone Benefit Night
(126/Giles) Open-Close!
19th - PTO Meeting 3:15 pm

MAY

1st – YoYo Berry Benefit Night
(168/Harrison) 2:00-9:00 PM
17th – 5th Grade Night of Memories
18th - Kona Ice Visits School
3:30-6:30PM
25th – Last Day of School

We'll be adding more fun events to this calendar, so keep an eye out for updates throughout the year!

Fundraising & Volunteer Opportunities!

The Palisades Elementary PTO holds a few fundraisers throughout the year, to help make sure our teachers and students have everything they need to be successful! There are several fun ways to get involved!

- ❖ **TORCH RUN** This is our largest fundraiser of the year! Kids collect pledges for laps they run. It is SO MUCH FUN! More info to come in September, including ways you can volunteer! **The date for this year's Torch Run is October 6th!**
- ❖ **BENEFIT NIGHTS** We have partnered with a few local businesses that are gracious enough to host benefit nights, and give a portion of their proceeds back to our school! We'll give you the dates ahead of time & also provide reminders as each one approaches!
- ❖ **CLASSROOM PARENT VOLUNTEERS** There are three holiday parties scheduled throughout the year (Fall, Winter & Valentine's Day). These parties aren't possible without the help of parents like you! Details will come home in your child's folder, including a request of info from those who'd like to volunteer in this way. It's a fun opportunity to see the excitement in the classroom surrounding the holidays!
- ❖ **PRIME TIME SPOTS** Prefer not to come to school an hour before your student's music program? Bid on guaranteed front seats! Also, front row parking for drop off/pick up is a hot commodity! Visit www.32auctions.com to bid!
- ❖ **MUSIC PROGRAM DVDS** No need to watch your student perform through a view finder! We hire a professional videographer to record this event for you. As your student's music program approaches, information about ordering will be made available to you. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the cuteness of the event!
- ❖ **SNACK ATTACK** On Friday mornings, your student will have the opportunity to purchase a delicious snack on their way into school. All snacks are donated by the families at Palisades (Thank you!!). Keep an eye out for the monthly donation schedule in upcoming newsletters. In addition to donation of snacks, we also welcome volunteers to help manage Snack Attack each Friday (a volunteer sign-up sheet will be sent via email). We appreciate your help to make this possible – The kids love being able to buy a special treat on Fridays! Also, please see the Printable Flyers section of the school's website for nutritional requirements of the snacks.
- ❖ **ORIGINAL WORKS** In art class, your student will create their very own work of art that can be turned into a variety of customized items. You'll have the opportunity to order these items, which make fun & unique gifts for family members! More info to come!

2017/2018 PTO Officers

If you have questions, please feel free to contact us anytime!

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