



Roslyn Elementary School PTO

September 2019

Dear Families,

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome each of you and your families to Roslyn Elementary School. As Roslyn Elementary PTO board members, it is among our responsibilities to talk with you about our organization, enroll you as a member, and most importantly, encourage you to get involved in your school. But first, since this may be your first time at Roslyn, it is important for us to explain what the PTO is all about.

What is the PTO and who can be a member?

Becoming a member does not mean you automatically sign up to volunteer, it just means you support our group and believe in what we're doing. Enclosed in this packet is a membership form; you can be a member, along with the school faculty for only \$5! Please enroll or renew your membership for 2019-2020 and help us achieve our membership goal of 100% participation!

PTO Programs & Fundraising

The primary objective as a PTO is to provide our school with funds, programs, resources and services that will enrich and maximize the education of every child. To meet this important objective, we must raise funds. Our school community raises money to provide our children with Briar Bush Nature Center coming to Roslyn School, homework folders and planners, assemblies, and visiting authors, to name a few. We are excited about several new programs for this coming school year! Our PTO schedule has all the programs we sponsor and support which is enclosed in this packet.

Become a Volunteer...Why YOU should get involved!

As you can see, there is much going on. We need your help, and so do your children. Over 500 independent studies on parent involvement show that when parents/guardians get involved in their children's education, grades go up, test scores improve, children are more likely to attend better schools after high school, they have fewer discipline problems and they're less likely to use drugs and alcohol. Also, it means quite a bit to your children to see you at their school helping make it better. Please get involved TODAY!

Please look at the PTO volunteer sheet, indicate what events/activities interest you, and we'll contact you to discuss it further. Volunteering doesn't have to mean a huge time commitment. We understand it is increasingly more difficult to find time to give, but please, whatever your time schedule allows, we have a need you can fill. We have tasks that can be performed in the evenings, during the day, or tasks that don't even involve coming to school at all.

The PTO has a website, www.roslynpto.com and a Facebook page, Roslyn PTO. The website and Facebook page make it easier for parents/guardians to communicate with the PTO, see upcoming events, pictures and videos from various events and even order their Roslyn Wear online. We encourage all parents/guardians to go to the website and like us on Facebook.

In Conclusion

Our parent group is certainly about more than bake sales! We're about men and women working together toward a common goal. That goal, simply stated, is creating a better school and a better educational experience for our children. We strive to create an atmosphere where teachers, administrators, and support staff can do their best work – and so can our children. There is much more that can be done and we need your help. We invite you to join us for our first PTO meeting **Thursday, September 26th at 7:00 pm** in the cafeteria. Most PTO meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month. ***Please see the calendar of events attached for those dates.*** We look forward to meeting and/or seeing you again!

On behalf of the Roslyn PTO we would once again like to extend a warm welcome and best wishes for a successful school year! Please contact any of us with questions or comments.

Sincerely,

The Roslyn PTO Executive Board
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