

PTO Meetings

PTO Meetings are held on the second Monday of every month, unless otherwise noted. The meetings are to include, but not limited to, the PTO Executive Board, school representatives, principals and/or teacher liaisons, and committee members. The meeting will be called to order at 6:30pm in the Diamond Lake School library. Free child care is available.

PTO Events

Kids Night Out – Movie Nights

Pre-Kindergarten through 5th grade students enjoy an evening of pizza, popcorn, and a movie supervised by parent volunteers.

West-Oaktoberfest

Students of West Oak enjoy an afternoon filled with activities, food, and snacks. It's a fun event where the students can have a chance to socialize after school without having to leave the school.

Sweetheart Ball

Pre-Kindergarten through 5th grade girls and their dads or other special male adult enjoy a social evening together. Festivities include treats, crafts, and a disc jockey to play all the latest tunes and provide entertainment.

Mother & Son Sports Sampler

Mothers and sons will participate in several sports events including floor hockey and dodgeball.

Family BINGO Night

All are welcome to attend our Family BINGO Night filled with several games of bingo, concessions, tons of BINGO prizes, and a silent auction and raffle with prizes donated by teachers, staff, and local businesses.

Pot Luck Dinner & Fiesta

This district wide event is a great gathering of students and their whole families to share a meal together and be entertained with music, dancing, piñatas, and games.

PTO Fundraisers

Market Day

This national organization provides high quality food items for purchase while providing our schools with over \$3,500 per year. Place your order at www.MarkeyDay.com and pickup one Saturday per month at Diamond Lake School. Our school code is 3127.

School Apparel

Show your school spirit – wear Spirit Wear! Clothing with the school's logo can be purchased in all sizes to show the pride you have in your school.

Community Discount Cards

These cards include several discounts from local businesses which you frequent most! The card fits in your wallet and can be used as many times as you want in a year.

Gift Catalog Fundraiser

This annual fall sale offers gift wrap and gift items for purchase via catalog sales.

Gift Cards

You can purchase gift cards from the convenience of your home without having to go to the store to purchase them. Retailers give a percentage of your gift card purchase back to the schools.

Dairy Queen Days

Students enjoy an ice cream treat during school. The cost is nominal for a nice treat to boost their day!

Book Fair

Every spring, each school offers a book fair – helping us to raise funds that directly benefit that school's library.

Flower Sale

The PTO partners with a local company to bring you the highest quality blooms, including annuals, vegetables, perennials, and boxwoods available in hanging baskets or containers for planting as you wish. This spring fundraiser comes just in time for planting season and Mother's Day.

School Supplies

The PTO offers pre-packaged school supplies for Kindergarten-8th graders. You won't have to shop store-to-store and your children will have all their supplies!

Holiday Boutique

Exhibitors with unique arts, crafts, and other items will show and sell at this boutique held in late November.

Barnes and Noble Event

Barnes and Noble at Hawthorn Mall dedicates a day for District 76 to earn a percentage of the sales that day. You will enjoy shopping with friends, listening to stories read by the principals, and then heading over to McCarthy's for lunch or dinner.

Dine Out with District 76

Once a month, families get together to socialize and support our schools while supporting local area restaurants.

Redemption/Cash Back

We raise money each year from the sale of groceries, collecting box top symbols and Campbell's soup labels, and receiving cash back from Target purchases.

Other Volunteer Opportunities

Room Parents

A room parent is needed for each classroom to assist the teacher in getting parent volunteers for classroom help, projects, fieldtrips, and classroom parties (if a vacancy exists). Most of this job can be done via e-mail or by phone.

Party Parents

Party parents are needed to plan and organize three classroom parties: Halloween, Winter, and Valentine's Day.

Volunteers are also needed for School Picture Days, Red Ribbon Week in October, the Staff Appreciation Luncheon in May, distributing flyers as needed, and Spanish translation services.

PTO Communication Services

PTO Post: Your School and Community Connection

Distributed once a month, this PTO newsletter contains information on upcoming and past events and fundraisers, school community news, and other important information.

Student Directory

The PTO publishes a district-wide student phone directory distributed in the fall to families who purchase one. Order forms are distributed at the beginning of the school year.

PTO: Going Green

PTO flyers will only be sent home to the youngest child in the family to save on paper. If you prefer to get information via e-mail, you can sign up on the PTO website (www.district76pto.org). Please note that paper copies will still be sent home with your child.

Community Outreach

The Community Outreach committee will work with the school social workers and the Family Resource Center (FRC) to identify school community needs that the PTO may be able to assist with fulfilling.