

WILLIAM A. DIGSS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION (PTO)



WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE PTO?

- Promote the health and welfare of children within the home, school and community.
 - Elevate the standard of intellectual, physical, social education and character within the school and home.
 - Create and promote a closer relationship between the home and school, and between parents and educators.
 - Encourage cooperation between the school and home in the education of its children.
 - Supplement allocated funds for school operations, special purchases, teaching supplies, special events, and educational speakers.
 - Develop a general sense of responsibility among parents, educators, and community leaders that ensures the opportunity for all children to obtain the best education available in a safe and orderly environment.
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WHAT IS THE PTO?

The Parent Teacher organization is a volunteer 501(c)(3) organization comprised of parents/guardians of children attending William A. Diggs Elementary School, the school staff and interested community members. For more information visit us at www.ccboe.com/diggs.

WHY SHOULD I JOIN THE PTO?

There are lots of reasons, but below are a few.

- Improved Education: Parent involvement can help improve the overall quality of education.
 - Better Behavior: Children develop better social skills and show improved behavior when their parents are involved in school.
 - New friendships: By becoming involved and attending PTO events you and your children get to meet new people and make new friends.
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WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO JOIN?

All you need to do to join the PTO is complete a membership form and return it to school with the \$5.00 annual membership fee.

DO I HAVE TO ATTEND PTO MEETINGS?

No, but your attendance is strongly encouraged. This is a good way to find out what is happening at school and vote for activities you want to be involved with.

DO I HAVE TO VOLUNTEER?

No, but your help is needed. Let us know how you would like to help the PTO!

HOW CAN I HELP THE PTO ?

Some of the many ways you can assist the PTO with supporting the school:

- Attending PTO Meetings
 - Volunteering for activities and events
 - Supporting Spirit Nights/Restaurant Nights Out and PTO sponsored events
 - Make a tax-deductible donation to Couch Potato- Main PTO Fundraiser.
 - Collecting BoxTops for Education, Tysons and Campbell's labels. So simple, yet so profitable.
 - Help PTO build a partnership that works. When parents and teachers come together:
 - Students do better in school
 - Parents become informed and aware
 - Teachers and parents communicate
 - Students and Parents are empowered
 - School will achieve higher results
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WHAT IS THE COUCH POTATO FUNDRAISER?

The Couch Potato Fundraiser is one of the PTO's main sources of income. Basically, you make a tax-deductible donation to the PTO. No need to buy; no need to sell—just write a check and be assured that 100% of your donation will be used to support our school.

WHAT DOES THE PTO HAVE PLANNED FOR THIS UPCOMING YEAR?

Join us to help with making plans for the rest of the School year.

- Back-to-School Night at Chuck E. Cheeses.
- Spirit Nights at Chick Fil'A.
- Mega Spirit Nights at Noodles & Co, Cold-Stone, and Five Below
- Winter Wonderland
- PTO General Membership Meetings to get more Ideas and suggestions from parents and students..

Yes, I want to be involved. I want to join the PTO!

Help us build a family-school partnership that works. When schools and families work together to support learning, everyone benefits:

- **Students do better in school and in life**
- **Parents become empowered**
- **Teacher morale improves**
- **Schools gets better**
- **Communities grow stronger**

Taken from the National Coalition for Parent Involvement in Education. Please read more at www.ncpie.org.

Questions? Comments? Suggestions?
Please feel free to write to any Members of the Executive Board.

PTO EXECUTIVE BOARD

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Hawks rule!

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