

McCormick PTO

What is the PTO?

McCormick PTO is a volunteer organization made of parents, teachers and staff working together to provide a positive and rewarding experience for our students. The PTO supports student educational and recreational needs through fundraising and volunteerism.

How does the PTO do this?

The PTO organizes events and programs through committees. The committees break down into four categories of interest: Academic Enrichment, Social Events, Fundraising and Community Connections. These committees provide opportunities for students, parents and staff to socialize, exercise, learn, fundraise and volunteer.

How is the PTO organized?

Each year an Executive Board of parent volunteers is elected. They attend a monthly meeting with the principal and teacher representatives, and are responsible for managing all PTO programs. Board members recruit parent and teacher volunteers to work on the programs through committees. A committee chair, or leader, is assigned to each committee and they execute the event with support from the Executive Board and other parent volunteers.

How does PTO impact our school?

In The Classroom

- Makes an annual gift to the school, such as Chromebook Carts, Smart Boards and playground equipment
- Teachers receive classroom start-up money each fall
- Teachers can apply for mini-grants to supplement their classroom material
- Funds the annual visits from the Cincinnati Zoo and a large-scale all school assembly
- Organizes a book exchange to promote summer reading

In Unified Arts (Music, Art, P.E. and Library)

- Creates opportunities for drama experiences through musicals, talent show, and magic show
- Funds Field Day
- Promotes fitness with the 5K fundraiser
- Provides 50% of the Library's annual budget for new books
- Organizes the Book Fair whose proceeds are shared among the Unified Arts, replacing funds that have been cut from government spending

In the Community

- Creates numerous opportunities for parents, teachers and students to make the connections that builds a community: Fall Festival, Dances, Musical Performances, After School Programs, and more
- Promotes a spirit of giving through donation drives
- Sponsors the Magic Show whose proceeds go to Faces Without Places, a Cincinnati organization for homeless children