



# Welcome New Families!

## FROM THE EDISON PTO

### Edison Parent Teacher Organization (Edison PTO)

*The Edison PTO is comprised of volunteer parents, family members, school administrators, teachers, and staff dedicated to improving the educational and social experience of all students at Edison Elementary.*

#### Who can join PTO?

- Any adult that has a connection to an Edison student (parents, grandparents, caregivers, etc.)

#### What does it cost to join PTO?

- **Membership is FREE & AUTOMATIC!** You belong here - EVERYONE is welcome.

#### What does PTO do?

- **Host family-friendly events** (Ice Cream Social, Carnival, Bingo Night, YMCA Night, Chuck E Cheese Night)
- **Provide volunteers to help school activities run smoothly** (Library Volunteers, Class Parties, Testing Assistance, Field Day)
- **Research and communicate issues facing our school and school district**
- **Raise \$30,000 annually** to provide items for Edison such as:
  - *Large equipment, technology and supplies to assist with grade-level needs and STEM learning*
  - *Facility Improvements & Supplies for places like our Playground, Interior Courtyards, and Clean & Healthy School Supplies (think tissues, sanitizer)*
  - *Teacher Grants for curriculum support and classroom supplies*
  - *Rewards, Recognition, and Activities for students and Teachers*
  - *Field trip bussing for every student*
  - *Special Assemblies*

## TOP 5 Reasons to GET INVOLVED (and have fun) with EDISON PTO

**5. You need to expand your social circle beyond the house and/or office.** Meet great families with kids the same age as yours! Talking and sharing experiences with other parents helps you and them too. Heck - you might even develop a social life!

**4. "America's Got Talent" hasn't discovered you yet.** Everyone has different talents and skills they can bring to the school community. What are you good at? We can put your talents to use! Not sure what you are good at? Don't worry - we can help you figure it out!

**3. Keeps you from stalking the teachers and administration on Facebook and Twitter.** Helping at PTO events enables you to better get to know your child's teachers and administrators, as well understand the way the school works. Developing those relationships helps your student in the long run.

**2. Even we use a four-letter word on occasion.** That would be H-E-L-P. While helping/volunteering can seem daunting, it doesn't have to be. Any bit of your time here or there is appreciated. If every family could find just two hours of time to H-E-L-P at some point during school year, think of how much we could accomplish!

**1. Although they will act embarrassed, your child really does like to know you support them and their school.** Participating in PTO enables you to become a greater part of your child's learning experiences. It also shows your child that their education and school community is important to you.



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