





# **OASIS ELEMENTARY PTO**

**PARENTS & TEACHERS WORKING TOGETHER  
FOR OUR CHILDREN**



# **ARE YOU AWARE OF THE CHANGES?**

**REMEMBER THAT CHANGE IS GOOD 😊**

# CHANGES TO VOLUNTEER HOURS

- VOLUNTEER HOURS have been REDUCED to 12 hours per family.
- Volunteer hours are NO LONGER provided for having lunch with your child(ren), attending sporting events, donations toward the school, or monetary donations.
- Volunteer hours WILL BE given for helping in cafeteria, attending PTO Meetings & Events, helping teachers in classroom, attending Family Reading Night and other opportunities.

# CHANGES TO SCHOOL HOURS

- **1<sup>st</sup> Bell at 8:00am** to signify school is open
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Bell at 8:15am** signifying children can enter their classroom
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Bell at 8:30am** signifying the start of the school day.
- Any student arriving after the 8:30am bell will be considered tardy.
- Classroom instruction begins at 8:30am.

# CHANGES TO “WALKERS”

- Any student who wishes to be a “walker” for afterschool pick-up must get approval by the Principal.
- Proof of residency that shows address of one (1) mile or less from the school is required.
- “Walkers” will wait in school hallway until 3:45pm and then will be dismissed.
- Safety of our children is the priority!



# **WHAT IS THE PTO?**

**MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS BENEFITS!**

# PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

- Our goal is to support our students, teachers, and staff.
- There are SIX (6) meetings all year....You can get all your volunteer hours by attending them!
- We only hold ONE (1) fundraiser each year...Booster-A-thon Fun Run in September.
- In the past, we have had 100% of our teachers become members!
- We are open to new ideas and would love to hear them!



# MEMBER BENEFITS

- Priority communications for PTO volunteer opportunities
- Voting rights at PTO meetings
- Student “PTO Perks”: favorite shirt once every month
- Staff “PTO Perks”: jeans every last Wednesday of each month
- Warm & fuzzy feeling inside knowing that you are helping Oasis Elementary

# HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER

- Sign up ONLINE at [www.oasiselementary.org](http://www.oasiselementary.org). Select “Parent Portal” and then “PTO”. Follow the link to an online registration form.
- Once the form is complete, you will receive an invoice. Simply send in the invoice with \$5 payment.
- Our goal is to get 100% parent membership!

# REASONS TO JOIN...

**Your child benefits!** When parents and guardians get connected to the school, children do better.

Research shows children whose parents/guardians are involved get better grades, do better on tests, and have fewer discipline problems at school.

It makes a difference!

# REASONS TO JOIN...

**Teachers benefit!** We try create the kind of school community where teachers and administrators can do their best work—and so can our children.

We provide support for teachers in and out of the classroom. We provide resources they need. We help create learning opportunities for children. And we try to build the kind of supportive, caring atmosphere that makes school fun.

# REASONS TO JOIN...

**YOU benefit!** Joining PTO is another way to get to know school and support staff!

Plus you can meet great parents! Life long friendships have been made by parents getting involved and meeting new people outside of their children's classroom.

# TOP 10 REASONS TO JOIN

10. It's a great way to meet other families with children the same age as your own.
9. You will become a greater part of your children's early learning experiences!
8. You can help raise money for a great cause—your children's education!
7. You'll get to know the teachers at school and to understand their needs and ideas.
6. It's one more way to meet and talk with school administrators like the principal and assistant principal.
5. You can create, plan, and execute fun events for the whole family!
4. It's an hour or so off each month from your hectic household routine.
3. Camaraderie.
2. You'll experience feelings of self-worth through volunteering your time and seeing your efforts pay off in the smiles of your children and their friends.
1. And finally, the number one reason to join us...**WE NEED YOU!**



Adapted from the Pine Grove PTO, Rowley, Mass.



**JOIN THE PTO  
TODAY**

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# **WHO ARE THE PTO BOARD MEMBERS?**

**YES, THEY ARE ALL VOLUNTEERS!**



# BOARD MEMBERS

## **Jen Hoagland, Co-President**

- Has a 5<sup>th</sup> grader at OES and a 9<sup>th</sup> grader and 11<sup>th</sup> grader at OHS
- Has been in charge of the PTO Water Drive for the past 2 years.
- Has been heavily involved at the Charter Authority Rally for the past 4 years.

## **Heather Dinkel, Co-President**

- Has a 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grader at OES
- Works for Pet Angel Memorial Center, South Florida as the Operation Manager
- Has been the PTO Volunteer Coordinator for the past 3 years
- Currently on the City of Cape Coral Charter School Foundation

# BOARD MEMBERS

## **Jen-Hope Belis**, Vice President

- Has a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grader at OES and 7<sup>th</sup> grader OMS.
- Works as an Event Planner for Odyssey Media
- Has planned Oasis Fall Festival for 7 years
- Currently on the City of Cape Coral Charter School Foundation

## **Janet Blanco**, Treasurer

- Has 5 kids including a VPK and 1<sup>st</sup> grader at OES
- Works as a Real Estate Appraiser.
- Has worked a lot with the PTO at CME when her older children were there.

## **Ashley Faulk**, Secretary

- Has a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader at OES
- Works at Florida Cancer Specialists
- She's from Indianapolis, Indiana

# COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Audit PTO Books	Amanda Murphy
BooHoo Breakfast	Samantha Richardson
Box Tops	Laura De Bono
Breakfast with Santa	Eileen Keinath Kathleen Drew
Bulletin Boards	Lisa Marzonie
Facebook Updates	Samantha Richardson
Fall Festival	Jen-Hope Belis Micaela Heuglin
Have a Heart Dance	Sherrie Evans
Kinder Welcome	Samantha Richardson

Membership	Genna Futch Michele Hildebrand
Movie Night	Laura De Bono
PB&J Drive	Jen Bice
Teacher Appreciation	Brienne Cherry Michele Hildebrand
Transfer Student Liason	Samantha Richardson
Trunk or Treat	Tamie Moriarty
Volunteer Coordinator	Meghan Eubanks Aubrey Nolen
Water Drive	Todd Hoagland
Governing Board Rep	Robert Ross

# YOU ARE INVITED TO GET INVOLVED!

- Although we have many positions filled, we can always use YOUR help! Talk to any of the board members about getting involved.
- Email us at [OasisE.Pto@capecharterschools.org](mailto:OasisE.Pto@capecharterschools.org)



# **2017-2018 PTO EVENTS**

**GET YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS!**

# AUGUST – SEPTEMBER EVENTS

AUGUST	EVENT
Friday, August 04, 2017	Teacher Welcome Back Breakfast
Tuesday, August 08, 2017	Open House
Wednesday, August 09, 2017	Back to School Chalk Walk Surprise
Thursday, August 10, 2017	First Day of School
Monday, August 14, 2017	Kindergarten Boo Hoo Breakfast @ 8:30am
Friday, August 25, 2017	Miracles Baseball Game @ 7:00pm
SEPTEMBER	EVENT
September 1-29, 2017	Membership Drive
Wednesday, September 06, 2017	Boosterthon Pep Rally
Wednesday, September 06, 2017	Water Drive before PTO Meeting
<b>Wednesday, September 06, 2017</b>	<b>PTO Meeting @ 6:30pm</b>
September 7 - 14, 2017	Boosterathon Team Days
Friday, September 15, 2017	Boosterthon Fun Run

# OCTOBER – JANUARY EVENTS

OCTOBER	EVENT
Thursday, October 12, 2017	PTO Meeting @ 6:30pm
Friday, October 13, 2017	Box Top Fall Collection
October 26-November 18	PB&J Drive
Thursday, October 26, 2017	Trunk or Treat @ 6:00-8:00pm
NOVEMBER	EVENT
November 1-10, 2017	Candy Collection for Soldiers
Friday, November 03, 2017	Box Top Celebration Day
Tuesday, November 14, 2017	Water Drive before PTO Meeting (TBD)
Tuesday, November 14, 2017	PTO Meeting @ 6:30pm
Saturday, November 18, 2017	Fall Festival @ 4:00-8:00pm
DECEMBER	EVENT
Saturday, December 09, 2017	Breakfast with Santa
JANUARY	EVENT
Friday, January 26, 2018	PTO Meeting @ 6:00pm
Friday, January 26, 2018	Outdoor Movie Night @ 6:30pm

# FEBRUARY – MAY EVENTS

FEBRUARY	EVENT
Friday, February 02, 2018	Have a Heart Dance
Friday, February 09, 2018	Box Top Spring Collection
Friday, February 23, 2018	Box Top Celebration Day
MARCH	EVENT
Monday, March 05, 2018	PTO Board Nomination Open
Thursday, March 08, 2018	Water Drive before PTO Meeting (TBD)
<b>Thursday, March 08, 2018</b>	<b>PTO Meeting @ 6:30pm</b>
APRIL	EVENT
April 10, 2018	Joint Event with Library: Edible Book Report
MAY	EVENT
April 30-May 4, 2018	Teacher Appreciation Week
<b>Wednesday, May 16, 2018</b>	<b>PTO Meeting @ 9:00am</b>
Wednesday, May 16, 2018	Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast @ 9:00am
Wednesday, May 30, 2018	Last Day of School





# **DID YOU KNOW?**

**IF YOU DON'T KNOW, NOW YOU KNOW**

# WE ARE ON FACEBOOK



## Oasis Charter Elementary PTO

# **NOT ALL CHARTER SCHOOLS ARE THE SAME**

We are a Municipal Charter School system.

Charter schools-in-a-municipality are sponsored by local school districts in partnership with a municipality.

In our case, we are part of the City of Cape Coral.

# OUR SYSTEM CORE BELIEFS

The schools in the Cape Coral Charter School System believe:

- That a school should teach knowledge and cultural literacy within a rigorous curriculum that is relevant to students' needs, and stimulates their natural curiosity, imagination, and thinking skills.
- That student achievement is a result of high staff expectations, quality lessons, challenging curricula, and differentiation in teaching and learning.
- That our schools have created a unique environment and family atmosphere where a sense of community and citizenship are valued, and a collective responsibility is created to promote student success.
- That by focusing on our true customers – the students, we are able to infuse the character traits of love, kindness, respect, teamwork, compassion, and cooperation into their daily lives, making our schools the happy and positive environments for which they are recognized.

# WE HAVE A GOVERNING BOARD

Our Governing Board is a city-appointed volunteer position. The public is welcome to attend the monthly meetings.

Learn more at: <http://www.capecharterschools.org>

## Governing Board Members:

- Jessica Cosde, Chairperson & City Council Member Liaison
- Robert Zivkovic, Vice Chairperson
- Oddette Boyer
- Michael Campbell
- Sam Fisher
- Tami Traiger
- Russell Winstead
- Parent Representative from each of the 4 schools (non-voting member)

# WE HAVE A FOUNDATION

The Cape Coral Municipal Charter Schools Foundation was established in October 2004 as the fundraising arm of the City of Cape Coral Municipal Charter Schools system.

*"Our mission is to assist the City of Cape Coral Municipal Charter Schools in their quest to provide students with a unique learning experience in preparing them for success and participation in our community as responsible and productive citizens."*

Learn more at: <http://www.capecharterfoundation.org>

# FOUNDATION EVENTS & MEMBERS

## Events & Programs

- Lighthouse Awards
- Charter Authority Rally
- High School Scholarships
- Mini Grants for Teachers

## Board of Directors

- Chris Porter, President
- Gary Cerny, VP & Treasurer
- Frank Casida, Secretary
- Jessica Cosden, Charter School Governing Board
- Jen-Hope Belis
- Kristina DeMoya
- Jami DiMaria
- Heather Dinkel
- Robert A. Hicks

# SHOP FOR SUPPORT

- Sign in to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)
- Go to Your Account from the navigation at the top of any page
- Select “Cape Coral Municipal Charter School Foundation Inc” as your charity of choice
- AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of all purchases to our Foundation!







# **PTO MAKES THINGS HAPPEN**

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