

What YOU do Matters!



Did you know that parents have a significant effect on their children's education? It's true! Good education isn't just about teachers and school - what you do as a parent really counts too. There have been hundreds of research studies on parents and school, and they all show the same thing: When parents get involved in their children's education, good things happen.

Among them:

- Grades Go Up
- Test Scores Rise
- Behavior Improves

Plus, children with involved parents are more likely to pass their classes, graduate, and further their education after high school. And when lots of parents get involved, it helps teachers and the school as a whole.

What does YOUR PTO do?

- Provides Promethean boards and projectors in the classrooms
- Provides carpets for each classrooms
- Replaces mulch on playgrounds
- Provides the Art program for 2nd - 5th Grades
- Helps fund the purchase of new books for the library
- Helps generate the school yearbook
- Produces a monthly school newsletter
- Maintains the school website as well as Facebook page
- Provides monthly teacher appreciation luncheons for teachers and staff
- Sponsors the Fall and Spring family events at the school
- Supplies candy during testing
- Provides refrigerators, microwaves, and coffee for teachers and staff
- Provides decorations during holidays
- Provides artwork and decorations for musical performances
- Provides "Fun Fridays"
- Sponsors Crossingfest in the Fall and Talent Show in the Spring
- Provides first aid kits for each classroom

And so much more.....

You Can Make A Difference

How to get involved in your child's education through the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)



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Getting Started

Talking with your child about school is a simple but key first step. Find out about his likes and dislikes at school, what comes easy and what doesn't, things that make him uncomfortable or stressed. The more specific your questions, the more likely you are to get a real answer.



Meeting and communicating with the teacher is important, too. Students do best when parents and teachers work together as partners. Let the teacher know about anything that may affect your child's performance: strengths and weaknesses, learning styles, study habits, special interests, family issues, personality traits, or behavior concerns. The teacher is an expert when it comes to education, but no one knows more about your child than you. Another simple thing you can do is to attend school events. That encourages your child to see school as an integral part of your family life, and that's an important connection.



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Parent Teacher Organization

A great way to learn more about Madison Crossing Elementary, get connected with other parents, and get involved is to join the Parent Teacher Organization.

Parent groups play an important role in building the kind of supportive school environment where teachers and students alike can do their best work. The parent group can be a terrific source of information about Madison Crossing and the community, too!



Many Ways To Help

No matter what your schedule, there are many ways you can help make a difference for your child and Madison Crossing Elementary.

Here are just a few suggestions:

- Be available to help your child with homework.
- Join the PTO. Attend a meeting to find out what's happening at school and how you can get involved.
- Assist the Teacher Appreciation luncheon committee by volunteering to help or send in items.
- Volunteer with Crossing Fest, our fall family event.
- Take photographs for the school yearbook.
- Help with a committee (decorating, yearbook, Fun Fridays, Box Tops, etc.)
- Seek sponsors for the PTO
- Get donated items for Crossing Fest Auction.

