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OTPTO MISSION

The mission of the Old Tappan PTO is to align resources with the vision and direction of the Old Tappan elementary schools to enrich the learning environment while empowering parents, teachers and students for success.

We host various fundraisers and student activities throughout the year. Most activities require parents to join the PTO. Sign up can be completed on the PTO website starting in September. You will receive an email with notification about when and where to join.

YEAR IN REVIEW- THE PTO 's MAJOR ACTIVITIES

FALL ACTIVITIES:

Back to School Night- The Principal and teachers provide an overview of the classroom and the year's curriculum. There is also an opportunity to meet the specialist teachers (e.g. music, art, gym, etc.)

Book Fair-Children get to pick out books during the school day and then parents are invited to buy books for their students. Volunteer opportunities available.

TBD Challenge- We will host a large fundraiser that highlights the character education themes of teamwork, leadership, sportsmanship and spirit. The week will culminate in a combination of physical education activities that tie back to these themes. Children will collect pledges for participation in these activities and be awarded prizes based on their level of fundraising.

Picture Day- School pictures will be taken on October 24th with a make up day on December 3rd.

Talent Show-Children can participate in a school wide talent show. Children perform during school and again for parents at night!

WINTER ACTIVITIES:

Holiday Shop-Students are given the opportunity to shop for holiday presents for their friends and family, on their own at school. Volunteer opportunities are available.

International Dance- Students can choose to participate in one of a number of country-specific dance troupes that perform in the spring in front of the school. Some examples include Indian, Irish, Korean Pop, and American dance.

SPRING ACTIVITIES:

Art Show- Children's art work is framed and put on display for parents to purchase at an evening art show. It is a gallery event with food and activities for the whole family. Volunteer opportunities are available.

Book Fair- A book fair similar to the one held in the fall is held to kick off summer reading. Volunteer opportunities are available.

Teacher Appreciation Week-The PTO hosts a week of activities to show appreciation for our teachers including a breakfast, lunch, and cards from all of the students.

Field Day- Each class participates in outdoor events centered around track and field fun!

YEAR ROUND ACTIVITIES:

Box Top Collection- Collect box tops from your grocery items and send them to school each month. The class that collects the most each month will win an ice pop party!

Pizza Lunch- Parents can sign their children up for pizza lunch each Monday. Parent volunteers are needed to help distribute pizza during the year.

Monthly Special Lunches- The PTO hosts special lunches once a month with various themes that highlight different types of cuisine. These lunches typically align with holidays that expose children to different cultures and foods in a fun way! Ordering is available online via the PTO website.

Family Fun Days (e.g. Bingo Night, Movie Day, etc.)- These fun family events are hosted throughout the year for minimal charge to families.

Clubs- After school enrichment activities are offered during six to eight-week sessions during the fall, winter and spring semesters. Clubs run after school for an hour and registration happens online via the PTO website. See attached for sample club schedule for examples.

Author Visits/Assemblies- The PTO sponsors multiple author visits and assemblies throughout the year for the children of TBD.

COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Please feel free to sign up on the OTPTO website to help with any of the following committees.

Art Fair (TBD)

Description: Help the art teacher manage the art shows.

Book Fair (TBD)

Description: Help with the Book Fair in the Fall and/or Spring at TBD School. This includes set up the day before and being available the evening of the event for breakdown, as well as helping your child's class during the day to pick out books.

Clothes With Logos (TBD)

Description: Coordinate orders and distribution of spirit wear.

Family Bingo Night (TBD)

Description: Help with PTO Family Bingo Night including food, refreshments, prizes and facility set up.

Family Events (TBD)

Description: Run events for families to encourage community outreach and bonding (e.g. family game night, math night, movie night, etc.)

Field Day (TBD)

Description: Organize lunch for students in coordination with TBD school principal. Coordinate preparation of snacks and water for the event.

General Fundraising

Description: We hold two major fundraisers a year. One is the TBD Challenge event in the fall and one is a parent gala in the winter or spring. Help is needed with all aspects of the planning, donation collection and running of the events.

Holiday Shop (TBD)

Description: Help with set up, clean up, inventory and the children's shopping during this event for students to be held at TBD in December.

International Dance (TBD)

Description: Promotes cultural awareness through dance at TBD school. Performance held in the spring. Teachers are always needed!

Kindergarten Round-Up

Description: Oversee annual event for incoming Kindergarten parents & students at TBD.

OT Edge After School Clubs (TBD & CDW)

Description: Generate club ideas, coordinate club teachers, facility logistics, and club sign ups.

Pizza (TBD)

Description: Pizza volunteers are always needed. You will be able to sign up for 4 dates to help distribute pizza during your child's lunch period during the year.

Research and Development

Description: Flush out new ideas to be executed by committees. (e.g. International Cook Book, Holiday gift cards, etc.)

School Supply Kits (TBD & CDW)

Description: Coordinate annual orders of school supplies for both CDW & TBD.

Spring Carnival (TBD & CDW)

Description: Oversee Spring Carnival for TBD & CDW Students. Coordination of vendors and event logistics.

Square 1 Art Cards (TBD)

Description: Work with the art teacher to coordinate this fundraiser in which students create art for note cards that are printed.

Talent Show (TBD & CDW)

Description: We will host a school wide talent show, open to all children who would like to perform. Need a group of volunteers for hosting try outs, producing show and communications.

Teacher Appreciation Week (TBD)

Description: Arrange events celebrating teacher appreciation week.

Web Development

Description: Recruit parties interested in advertising on our website., post pictures from events on facebook, write summaries of events to highlight on the website.

Welcome Back Lunch for TBD Staff

Description: Organize a luncheon for the staff on the day before school starts, including food, refreshments and volunteers.

PARENT RESOURCES

- OTPTO Website ([OTPTO.org](https://otpto.org)): See the latest news and calendar of upcoming events; Sign up for clubs and events via the “For Sale” page of the web; sign up to volunteer for committees, and download the directory ap.
- Directory App: Sign up for an download the school directory to your mobile device via the PTO website.
- Genesis Parent Portal (<https://parents.genesisedu.com/oldtappan/parents?gohome=true>): Track attendance, view report cards, and download school forms. This site is accessible from the school website <https://tbd.oldtappanschools.org/>.
- Community Pass (<https://register.communitypass.net/reg/login.cfm?cuBOAfjClZwtomy3Erh3n%2B7dqxJPXoxk9V2eh8RZkO%2BWj9UZiY3p8g%3D%3D>): Sign up for town events and sports.
- Sign Up Genius (signupgenius.com): This is used to sign up to volunteer for many activities throughout the year (e.g. pizza lunch). Log in to create a profile (if you don’t have one already) to start using.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

- Please visit our website at [OTPTO.org](https://otpto.org).