

The PTA supports students and teachers in significant ways, and we would love your help with our efforts! Grandparents are welcome too! Below is a description of the activities the PTA performs. Event-specific needs will be communicated via SignUpGenius for the activities highlighted in gray below (watch for requests in the Virtual Monday Folder and PTA Facebook page). For parents new to the school, please consider signing up for as many event-specific activities as you can to get a sense for what interests you. For returning parents, please consider taking on a leadership role as a committee member or chair (* denotes committees for which we have current leadership vacancies); contact Nicole (nicolejohnson@nc.rr.com) or Kiernan (kmcgorty@gmail.com) if you can help in a leadership role.

Please know that if you will be volunteering in school or on field trips you will need to register for a background check with Wake County Public School System. You can register in Hunter's media center or any WCPSS media center. You must update this registration annually.

Advocacy Committee

- **Backpack Buddies (ongoing)** Pack weekend meals for Hunter students to take home and deliver bags to teachers. Packing is 1-2x a quarter and delivering is 1x a month. Help plan and host a food drive (fall and spring).
- Community Advisory & Student Services (ongoing) Reach out to families in need via programs such as the coat drive, Thanksgiving food drive, holiday gift-giving, and tutoring. Seek out resources offered by after-school programs, businesses, churches, and non-profits.
- o ONE Hunter (ongoing) Organize events, including a fall dinner, to build community among families within the Hunter community.

Programs Committee

- * Cultural Arts (ongoing) Write grants, bring in "Artist in Residence," help plan his/her visit, and assist with daytime visit events.
- * Health & Safety (ongoing) Coordinate with the PE coaches to plan special programs around preventative health such as morning walking and yoga clubs, skate nights, Healthy Hunter Challenge (Feb), and Field Day (Jun). Provide first-aid supplies for the school.
- Hospitality (ongoing) Provide food and drinks for various teacher, staff, parent, and student functions throughout the year.

Operations Committee

- **Building & Grounds (ongoing)** Maintain and improve school grounds including the courtyard and playgrounds. Coordinate with the PTA Board and Principal to plan and carry out landscaping.
- Membership (ongoing) Welcome members into the PTA, process membership enrollment, and promote the work of the PTA.
- Media Center (ongoing) Assist media faculty and staff with ongoing operations of the media center. Volunteers generally work a
 few hours one morning or afternoon per week. If you plan to arrive early to carpool pickup, this would be a great way to help.

Ways and Means

- Fall Fundraiser (Sept & Oct) Organize Hunter's major, no-fuss fundraising effort "Reach for the Stars."
- Labels and Offers (ongoing) Encourage parents to sign up for passive fundraising activities, such as grocery store cards and Amazon Smile. Organize the Box Tops and Labels classroom collection challenge in the fall and spring and count and bag Box Tops for shipment. Work can be done from home.
- Move-a-Thon Organize Hunter's new fundraising effort, which encourages students to get pledges for laps they walk/run on the day of the event.

Special Committees

- Book Exchange (Jan) Plan the book swap event where students donate their outgrown, gently used children's books and then select a "new" book to call their own.
- Book Fair (Nov) Plan the book fair, set up the sale, and staff day and evening sale events.
- Chess Club (ongoing) Assist with after-school learning and practice sessions. No chess experience necessary.
- Teacher Appreciation (ongoing) Plan and coordinate "thank yous" for our teachers and staff throughout the year. Host Teacher Appreciation week in May.
- Hunter Heritage (spring) Plan Hunter's annual school festival, which includes inflatable amusements, indoor games, and concessions.
- **Original Art (spring)** Coordinate with the Art teacher to organize the annual spring art magnet and gift items sale.
- o Radical Reader (Sep & Jun) Plan an assembly to recognize students for participating in the summer reading program.
- o Directory/Community Use Requests (ongoing) Compile information from each family to put together and distribute a student
- directory. Process requests to WCPSS for building use during PTA sponsored events. Work can be done from home.
- School Spirit (fall & spring) Sell Hunter t-shirts, sweatshirts, and other paraphernalia.
- o Spelling Bee (fall) Run grade-level and school-wide spelling bees to select a school representative to compete in the county bee.
- Yearbook (ongoing) Work with Hunter staff to take photos, write descriptions, and edit the yearbook.

