A CALL TO ACTION

We Need You - Help Shape the Future of Our School Community!

Dear Tualatin Elementary School Families,

I hope this message finds you well. As we move towards the end of this school year, and the end of my time as your PTA President, I want to speak from the heart-not just as your PTA President, but as a fellow parent who wants the very best for our children.

As I hope that you are already aware, the PTA plays a vital role in enriching our students' school experience through multiple ways, but you may not be aware of just how many things would not be possible without the planning, execution and funding provided by your PTA. Some of these things include:

- Field Trips
- Art Lit Coordination and Supplies
- Grade Enrichment Supplies and experiences
- TEAF

Fall Festival, Truck or Treat, Winter Holiday Night and STREAM Night

FREE Family Events, including

- School and Classroom Supplies
- PAX Recognition and Prizes
- Teacher Contributions and Recognition/Appreciation
- OBOB
- School Garden
- Memory Books
- Facility Improvements

We need more hands, voices, and hearts involved. We can not continue to do all these things without increased involvement from more of our Black Bear families. Whether you can volunteer once a year or once a month, every bit helps. Volunteering doesn't have to mean a big time commitment. It can be as simple as helping at an event, coordinating a donation, or sharing your skills behind the scenes. We consistently see many of the same families volunteer to help plan and execute events, activities and programs. However, almost ALL of our families participate.

If your schedule is tight, a financial donation is another way to support our mission. Since coming back to school after COVID, the PTA has been able to say yes to almost every financial ask from the teachers, staff and school community. However, due to increased costs and decreased fundraising, that budget will be decreasing substantially next school year. Please consider attending our next *In-Person PTA Meeting on June 9th at 7:00pm* in the school garden. Your input is incredibly important as we begin to look ahead to the next school year.

Unfortunately, recent meetings have had low attendance, which means fewer voices in the conversation. Please consider attending so your perspective can be heard and reflected in the decisions we make.

Let's work together to make Tualatin Elementary School the best it can be! When more families get involved, we're able to do more for our children. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with questions, concerns or ideas to continue the important work our PTA does for our school community.

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