



PTO Newsletter | September 2020

WELCOME BACK!

Deerfield PTO works hard to support our school, our teachers, and our kids! And the more parents are involved in this work, the better! There are wonderful opportunities to get involved no matter who you are or what your schedule may be.

Throughout the year, we provide extra support for teachers and staff, enhance the school environment, and organize exciting activities for our students. Please, join us at our monthly meetings – the second Tuesday of each month – to learn more. Or stay up to speed through our emails, text reminders and our [Facebook](#) page.



If you have any questions or are interested in getting involved, please contact us at ksdeerfieldpto@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support!

JOIN US FOR THE NEXT PTO MEETING!



**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
7PM
ON ZOOM.**

To join us, click here!

CAN YOU HELP?

PTO relies on the help from parent and caregiver volunteers to support our school community.

If you are looking for ways to get more involved, please consider one of our committee opportunities!

For committee descriptions, click [here](#). In addition to general committee support, we will be looking for new Chairs for the following committees:

- Marathon Club (Co-Chair)
- 5th Grade Moving Up Activities
- Parent & Community Outreach
- Parents of Students of Color (Co-Chair)

Co-chairs are welcome, and PTO can help get extra volunteer support if needed! We're a fun group, and the teachers, staff and students sincerely appreciate our efforts. If you have questions or are interested, please email us at ksdeerfieldpto@gmail.com.

To better publicize our support and fundraising efforts, PTO strives to send frequent and timely text reminders.

To opt IN, text 81010 with the message @dfpto. To opt OUT, text STOP to the same number.

PTO updates will also be featured on our Facebook page and, less frequently, in this monthly newsletter.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

AND STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION FROM DEERFIELD STAFF OR ON THE PTO FACEBOOK PAGE! YOU CAN ALSO SEE THE DISTRICT'S OFFICIAL CALENDAR HERE.

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| 9/8 | FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL! | 11/5 - | EC - 12th NO SCHOOL |
| 9/29 | Deerfield Dines Out at Topper's Pizza! | 11/6 | (Conference Week) |
| 9/30 | T-shirt & Mask Order Forms Due! | 11/10 | PTO Mtg 7pm by Zoom |
| 10/13 | PTO Mtg 7pm by Zoom | 11/25 - | Fall Recess |
| 10/23 | Early Childhood - 5th NO SCHOOL | 11/27 | |
| 10/30 | EC - 12th NO SCHOOL | | |



President - Angela Wilson

Vice President - Melissa Pam

Treasurers - Wendy Canaday & Tai Edwards

Secretary - Tandy Wolters

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ON YOUR MARKS, GET SET.... MARATHON!

Marathon Club will certainly look a little different this fall, but we are committed to getting active together - yet virtually!

If you are new to Deerfield, walkers and runners accumulate weekly miles to complete a marathon - 26.2 miles! Finishers in the past have received a T-shirt, sponsored by local organizations.

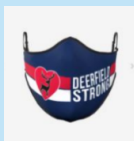
Stay tuned for more details !



DEERFIELD STRONG!

Show your Deerfield pride!

T-shirts (long and short-sleeved) and masks are now available for purchase!



Order Forms will be e-mailed by Deerfield Office staff .

Items are available at cost this year, and payment can be by cash, check or PayPal!

Forms and payment are due **SEPTEMBER 30!**

and swag will be delivered in October!

FUNDRAISING UPDATES

PTO continues to support students, teachers, and staff at Deerfield...

In fact, many of the supplies students received at pickup were PTO funded! Given the current situation, PTO will **not** conduct our usual fundraising campaign this fall, nor unfortunately host our wildly popular Carnival.

However, we encourage everyone to sign up for two **easy** ways to support PTO financially! The Dillon's Card Community Rewards and Amazon Smile programs donate a portion of your purchase values to PTO. Please see easy enrollment details below!

We will also continue Deerfield Dines Out opportunities at local businesses, when sponsoring restaurants give a portion of sales back to Deerfield! Watch for text, Facebook and newsletter updates for more information.

We hope to offer an online Book Fair this fall, and we will reevaluate our fundraising options in the spring. Stay tuned!

DID YOU KNOW?

There are lots of **EASY** ways to support Deerfield PTO financially!

- 1) Save your local Hy-Vee receipts and drop them in the box in the school's front-door breezeway.
- 2) Designate Deerfield PTO to receive **Dillons Community Rewards** and then simply use your Plus Shoppers Card each time you shop . See Dillons' Directions or follow the steps below:
 - Sign up for a Dillons card in store.
 - Visit dillons.com/account/communityrewards .
 - Create an account or log in to an existing account. Have Dillons card on hand to enter in the barcode number. You can also enter in an "Alternate ID" (which can be a phone number) to use when your card is not with you.
 - If not automatically directed to Community Rewards, click on Person/Account icon in top right, then "My Account," then "Community Rewards" will appear in the menu on the left.
 - Search for "Deerfield PTO". The official account is "Deerfield Elementary PTO, Inc." Click "Enroll".

Fewer than 100 Deerfield families helped us raise almost \$500 last quarter; imagine what we could do with more!

3) **Amazon Smile** is the same Amazon you know - same products, prices, everything!

- Start at smile.amazon.com each time you shop .
- Log in to your Amazon account.
- Click on "Account & Lists" and "Your Amazon Smile".
- Designate Deerfield Elementary PTO as your charitable organization (be sure it is the one in Lawrence, KS!).
- Bookmark smile.amazon.com for all future purchases!

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