

PTO News & Events

Week of September 11, 2023

In the weekly newsletter, you'll find information about upcoming events sponsored by the PTO and fundraisers for events. You can also find information and signups on our website: <https://popepto.org>

Want to know more or have questions about how to volunteer? Please email our Pope PTO VP of Communications, Janet Banes, at info@PopePTO.org

PTO Membership is NOW OPEN!

Did you know that it's SNOW COOL to help out our school? Our PTO Membership drive is in full swing, and we're holding a contest to see which homeroom in each grade can earn the highest participation. The top class in each grade will earn a snow cone party for their homeroom.

When you join the PTO, you'll also have a chance to mark which areas you might be interested in volunteering in at Pope. Also, you'll have access to our "Early Bird" pricing for yearbooks.

Please check out the PTO website – <https://popepto.org> – to complete the membership packet. The Membership Drive Contest ends September 30th!

Thank you to everyone who has joined the PTO already!

PTO Kickoff Meeting – DATE CHANGE: September 22

Join us on Friday, September 22 at 9:15 AM in the Pope Cafeteria to help us kick off of this year's PTO. Come find out more about what the PTO does, learn about volunteer opportunities, and meet the PTO Board.

5th Grade T-Shirt Contest – Deadline September 15

Calling all 5th graders! We want YOU to design this year's 5th grade class shirt. Designs are due by Friday, September 15. Please see the flyer for design guidelines. All designs must be submitted via email to 5thgradeparty@popepto.org

3rd & 5th Grade Nature Trails Field Trip – September 19 & 20

The CFISD Nature Trails Field Trip is scheduled for **September 19 and 20** for Pope Elementary. The Nature Trails Field Trip is an outdoor classroom experience that includes both teacher-led and parent-led learning stations.

Day 1: September 19, 2023

3rd Grade Homerooms: Diaz, Elmer, Salinas, Toure

5th Grade Homerooms: Douglas, Hernandez, Redmon, Vasquez

Day 2: September 20, 2023

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The only way to attend the Nature Trails Field Trip is as a volunteer. All volunteer slots will be active "working" positions – you will either be teaching, assisting the teacher with the lesson, or helping students with their assignments.

Upcoming Dates

- 9/15 **LAST DAY** to submit designs for the 5th Grade Shirt Contest
- 9/19-20 Nature Trails Field Trip – 3rd & 5th Grade
- 9/20-21 Spirit Night at Spring Creek Barbeque
- 9/22 **DATE CHANGE:** PTO General Meeting – 9:15 AM, Pope Cafeteria
- 9/25 Student Holiday/Teacher Professional Development Day
- 9/28 Vision Screening – volunteers needed
- 9/30 **LAST DAY** of PTO Membership Contest
LAST DAY of "Early Bird" Pricing for Yearbooks
- 10/03 Hearing Screening – volunteers needed

Pope Teacher & Staff Favorites

Want to know what our Pope Teachers and Staff Members really want?? Check out their "Favorites" sheet on the PTO website. Each teacher and staff member has submitted a page with all the details you need to know to brighten their day!

Submitting Picture to the Yearbook

Have some great shots from activities during the school year? The Yearbook Committee would love to have you share them with us! All pictures should be submitted no later than 10 days following the event.

- There are two ways you can submit:
 1. Upload via Balfour's website: images.balfour.com using your phone or computer **(RECOMMENDED)**
OR
 2. Upload the Balfour ImageShare app
- Our "Project Number" is: 427093 and leave the "Upload Code" blank
- You can only upload 10 images at a time, so it may take more than one upload if you have a lot. JPEG files preferred; HEIC files may be too large and give you an error.
- Be detailed in your names and captions –
 - Name: John Smith, Jane Doe, 2nd Grade, Ms. Jones
 - Caption: Meet the Teacher
- You can list as many names as you know in the name section. You can always ask your student to help you identify who is in the picture - they'll know names, even if it's just a first name.

Checking your PTO Account & Order Information

Haven't updated your contact information or child's teacher? Not sure if you ordered a yearbook? Visit the PTO webpage and click on the menu button labeled "My Account & PTO Orders," which after you sign in, will bring you to all the information listed for your PTO account, including your student(s) current grade and anything you have ordered through the PTO website. Please make sure your student(s) grade and teacher are updated so that items ordered through the PTO website can be delivered promptly and accurately.



DATE CHANGE!

PTO KICKOFF MEETING

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

AT 9:15 AM

POPE CAFETERIA

THERE IS

SNOW MUCH

*THAT YOU CAN DO
AT POPE!*

JOIN THE PTO TODAY!

**VISIT THE PTO WEBSITE
AT: [HTTPS://POPEPTO.ORG](https://POPEPTO.ORG)
OR SCAN THE QR CODE**



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PTO MEMBERSHIP CONTEST UPDATE

CURRENT LEADERS

AS OF 09/06/2023

**PRE-K/ECSE &
KINDERGARTEN** **MS. PARSONS**
65%

**1ST
GRADE** **MS. POFF**
67%

**2ND
GRADE** **MS. TURNER**
86%

**3RD
GRADE** **MS. TOURE**
61%

**4TH
GRADE** **MS. GLASSON**
65%

**5TH
GRADE** **MS. MAYFIELD**
96%

STAFF **50%**



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5TH GRADE T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

CALLING ALL CURRENT 5TH GRADERS!

**WE NEED YOU TO SHOW US YOUR
BEST 5TH GRADE T-SHIRT DESIGN IDEAS
FOR THIS YEAR'S 5TH GRADE POPE SHIRT!**

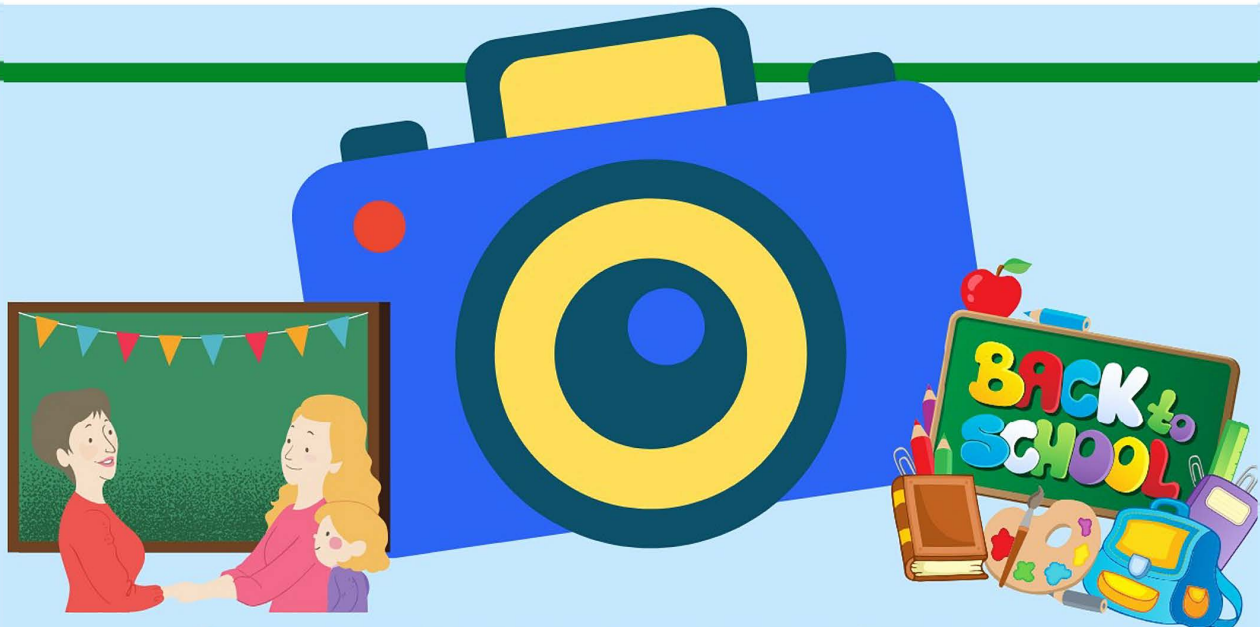
DESIGN GUIDELINES:

- Student designed
- Hand drawn or computer designs are both accepted
- Limit 3 ink colors
- Must include Pope, 5th Grade, & Class of 2024 in the design



**DEADLINE:
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023**

**EMAIL ARTWORK TO
5THGRADEPARTY@POPEPTO.ORG**



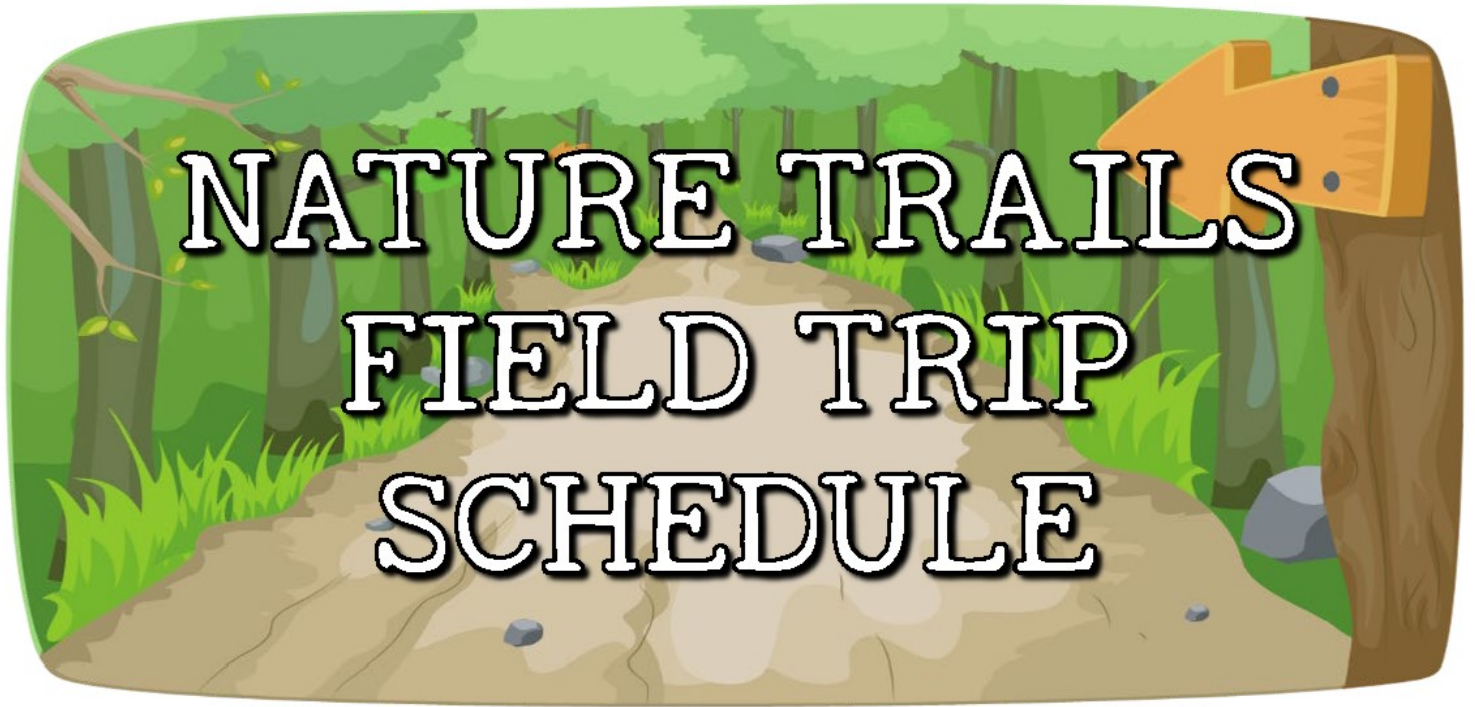
SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS TO THE YEARBOOK!

Pictures Needed:

Meet the Teacher & First Day of School

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SPRING-CREEK
BARBEQUE



Spirit Night

Join your classmates and their families

POPE ELEMENTARY

WED. SEP. 20 (K-2) 🐾 THURS. SEP. 21 (3-5)
SPRING CREEK BBQ CYPRESS 5pm -9pm
25831 NORTHWEST FREEWAY 🐾 281-758-1450



- ★ Spring Creek will donate 20% of all the evening's proceeds to the PTO.
- ★ Students should sign in at the front door.
- ★ The class with the best attendance will be given a prize by Spring Creek.
- ★ Your school will have the opportunity to earn a bonus of \$200 by doing the following:
 - Post on the school marquee
 - Post on your Facebook/Instagram/Twitter pages. (We provide the post).

**Come see your teachers
serve hot, fresh bread
in the Spring Creek dining room!**

