

WELCOME TO POPE ELEMENTARY



MEET THE ADMIN TEAM

Principal

Katie Herrera

Assistant Principals

- Shenna Aucoin
- Misty White

Instructional Specialists

- Amy Aguilar
- Ashleigh Sharpe

Counselors

- Katrina Campbell-Cargile
- Michelle Ricketts

Nurse

Stacy Hughes

Librarian

Jordan Hogan



The purpose of the Pope Elementary PTO is to enhance and support the educational experience of each student at Pope Elementary, to develop a closer connection between school and home by encouraging parent involvement, to support a safe learning environment for children, staff, educators and volunteers, and to improve the overall environment at Pope Elementary through volunteering and financial support.

The simple act of joining the PTO provides instant financial support for our students - and provides you with a great way to stay informed about what's happening at school and connect in meaningful ways with other parents.

PTO memberships last one year and must be renewed annually.

POPE PTO'S PURPOSE

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Overall focus is
to provide
opportunities for
families to create
memories together

BOO BASH

A fun-filled Halloween celebration for the whole family to enjoy at our school after hours. Attendees are encouraged to dress up in costume!

Activities:

- Carnival Games & Inflatables
- Trick or Treating Booths
- Face Painting & Crafts
- Food

- Event set up & decorating
- Sign up for a time to help at a station
- Sponsor a table to hand out candy
- Clean up



BOOSTERTHON

A weeklong fundraising event with character lessons culminating in a large celebration event during students' large group time

Activities:

- Online Fundraising
- Characters Lessons during Large Group
- Special Prizes & Achievements
- Day of Fun Celebration

- Decoration
- Organize & pass out daily prizes
- Sign Up for a time to work a station at the Day of Fun Celebration



SWEETHEART DANCE

A night of dancing and fun for the young ladies of Pope Elementary and their fathers/father figures

Activities:

- Dancing
- Craft Stations
- Photo Booths
- Food, Drinks, & Sweets

- Decorating & Setup
- Volunteer at an event station
- Serve food, drinks, or sweets
- Clean up



FATHERS-N-FLASHLIGHTS

An overnight camp-out for kids & their fathers at Oak Meadow Park in Bridgeland

Activities:

- Overnight Camp Out
- Inflatables & Games
- Fishing
- Snacks, Dinner, & Breakfast
- Movie under the stars

- Plan Event & help set up
- Volunteer at an event station
- Serve food or drinks
- Clean up



SCHOOL ENRICHMENT & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Overall focus is to provide opportunities for students in the classroom

SCIENCE RESOURCE CENTER (SRC) DEMONSTRATIONS

Are parent-led science lessons focusing on Life Sciences that build upon what our students are learning in their classrooms

Activities:

• Each grade level Pre-K through 5th grade has at least two demos we present to the classes

- Attend training to learn the lesson and handling techniques and care for the animals
- Teach the lesson to your child's class
- Assist with materials and hold animals



MULTICULTURAL DAY

A school day event that celebrates the diversity of our world through presentations, crafts, food, music, cultural dress, dance, and literature.

Activities:

- Parent-led lessons & activities
- Each grade visits 4 different countries
- Lunch time performances

- Sign up to teach or assist with a country – lessons & supplies provided
- · Set up & clean up



100TH DAY OF KINDERGARTEN

An all-day event where the students rotate through each Kindergarten classroom, and each classroom is set up with a different theme and activity

Activities:

 Parent-led activities focusing on the number 100 – lessons & supplies are provided

- Organize and count activity materials
- Decorate and set up
- Volunteer to lead or assist in a themed classroom
- Clean up



FIELD DAY

A grade level event during school where students show their P.R.I.D.E. while participating in team building races and physical activity

- Distribute field day t-shirts to classrooms
- Donate water & coolers
- Donate spirit items
- Help PE Teachers with set up & clean up
- Volunteer to be a Spirit Judge or Place Judge
- Make an appearance as Paws the mascot



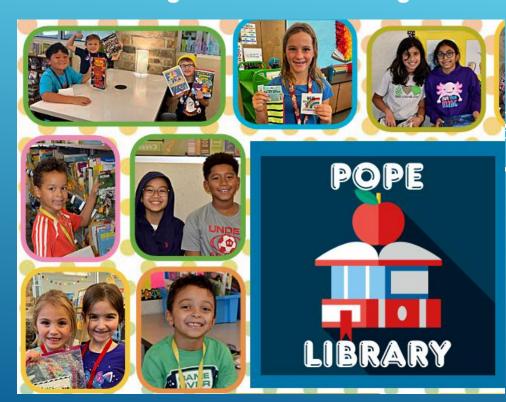
LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS

Library volunteers work shifts helping out our librarian.
Library volunteers will need to attend training before volunteering.

Activities:

- Help kids find books
- Shelf books
- Check books in and out
- Collect books from classrooms
- Book Fair

- Sign up for training to become a volunteer
- Help decorate for events & themes (no training required)



MAKERSPACE

A program where students have an opportunity to explore their own interests, learn to use tools and materials, and develop creative projects

Activities:

Help students make/create

- Sign up for a volunteer shift during recess
- Organize materials



OTHER PTO FUNDED ACTIVITIES



MEET THE PTO **BOARD**

Pope PTO Board & Committees

President

Karla Nino

president@papepto.org

Paws the Mascot

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Deposits
Invoices &
Reimbursements
Taxes

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Sign Up Genius Schoolwide Emails Smore – PTO News Bulletin Board PTO Website Staff Favorites Events Calendar Google Accounts

Science Resource Center (SRC)

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Sweetheart Dance

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VP School Enrichment Marisa Ortiz

Brianna Yarborough

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Veterans Day Celebration

Multicultural Day

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Winter Holiday Fun & Class Parties

100th Day of Kinder

Pre-K Splash Day

5th Grade Party

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Secretary/ Parliamentarian

Guadalupe Rogato
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Meeting Minutes Bylaw Committee

VP Volunteers

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Library Volunteers

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Library & School Decorating Crew Lisa Milazzo – Libran

Lisa Milazzo – Library Gabi Freites – School

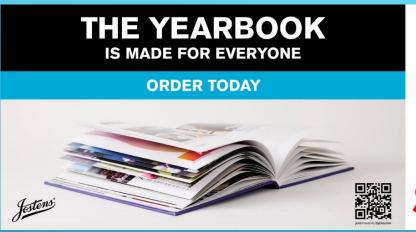
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Field Day

Picture Days

Large Group Support



YEARBOOK
EARLY BIRD
PRICING ENDS
SEPTEMBER 12!

Make sure to submit photos to yearbook within 14 days of the event!

All photos should be submitted online using https://photos.jostens.com/MNUJ8P

PTO's Hospitality Committee is looking for Breakroom sponsors!

Each month we treat our Pope Teachers and Staff members with goodies to show them our gratitude for all they do.



We're on the lookout for Breakroom Sponsors to help us spoil our staff with monthly meals and/or treats! A \$350 donation covers one month of goodies and gratitude. Your business logo or family name will be proudly displayed in our staff lounge during your sponsored month.

If interested, please message us or email us at hospitality@popepto.org

AUGUST	Pope PTO	JANUARY	
SEPTEMBER	Nino Investments	FEBRUARY	
OCTOBER		MARCH	
NOVEMBER		APRIL	
DECEMBER		MAY	

Pope Elementary Fall 2025 Calendar

August

8/11 MEET THE TEACHER PTO MEMBERSHIP DRIVE CONTEST OPENS

8/13 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL



September

NO SCHOOL

9/9 PTO GENERAL MEETING AT 9AM & 6PM

9/12 LAST DAY FOR YEARBOOK **EARLY BIRD PRICING - \$50**

9/15 LAST DAY OF LAST DAY OF PTO MEMBERSHIP DRIVE CONTEST

> LAST DAY TO PRE-ORDER 2025-26 POPE PANTHERS T-SHIRTS ON PTO WEBSITE

9/26 GO GOLD FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER 🔨



October

VISION SCREENING 10/1

HEARING SCREENING

PINK OUT FOR 10/3 BREAST CANCER

COLLEGE & CAREER 10/6-10/10 WEEK

10/10- NO 10/14 SCHOOL

FALL PICTURES *

10/17 SRC DEMO: 1ST GRADE **EGGS & NESTS**

10/22 SRC DEMO: 3RD GRADE **ARTHROPODS**

10/25 BOO BASH

10/27 50TH DAY OF SCHOOL

10/27- RED RIBBON WEEK 10/31

PRIDE STORE

SRC DEMO: KINDER **GUINEA PIGS**

November

11/3 NO SCHOOL

NO SCHOOL: NO SCHOOL: ELECTION DAY

11/6- BOOSTERTHON 11/14 FUNDRAISER

11/11 VETERANS DAY **PROGRAM**

11/12 SRC DEMO: PRE-K **BUNNY TALES**

11/13 2ND GRADE: BALLOONS **OVER BROADWAY**

11/14 BOOSTERTHON: 50 DAY OF FUN

11/20 FALL PICTURES RETAKES

11/21 MULTICULTURAL NICOLO DAY

11/24- THANKSGIVING/ 11/28 FALL BREAK



December

12/9 HOLIDAY SING-A-LONG WITH CHOIR & **POM SQUAD**

12/12 SRC DEMO: 5TH GRADE MAMMAL SKULLS

12/12 PRIDESTORE

SRC DEMO: 4TH GRADE REPTILES

12/15- HOLIDAY SPIRIT 12/18 WEEK

12/18 HOLIDAY **PARTIES**

12/19- WINTER 01/06 BREAK







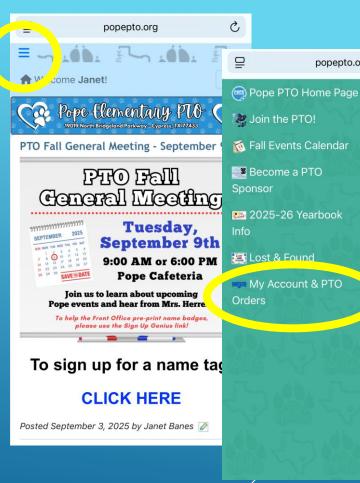
Pope Spirit Nights

CHECK THE WEEKLY SMORE NEWSLETTER & YOUR STUDENT'S BACKPACK FOR FLYERS!











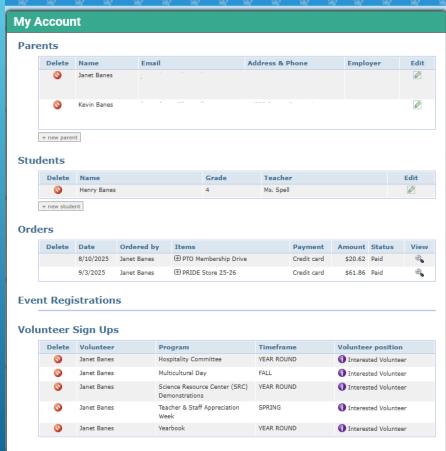
Computer View

Mobile View

Your PTO Website Account View will show you:

- Family information you've shared with the PTO
- Orders placed through the PTO website
- Any PTO Committee that you marked as an "Interested Volunteer"





VOLUNTEERING IN CFISD & AT POPE

Prior to volunteering at Pope, individuals MUST:

- 1. Complete the "VIPS Volunteer Guidelines & Confidentiality Agreement"
 - All volunteers need to fill out the confidentiality agreement yearly.
- 2. Have an active Volunteer Portal account through Raptor
 - Raptor Volunteer Portal accounts carry over from year to year, but volunteers should make sure they can still log in and are active.

Instructions and links to these can be found in your digital meeting packet.

NATURE TRAILS

What: An outdoor science learning experience for 3rd and 5th graders that takes place at the CFISD Nature Trails property. Students work through different science lessons at teacher-led and parentled stations

When: March 17-18

How you can help:

 Sign up for the district's parent training to be able lead or assist with stations

Info on training dates is in your digital meeting packet. You must complete an RSVP to train!



PTO Membership Drive Contest Ends Monday, September 15

Family Memberships: \$20

To join, visit: https://popepto.org



- Show your "Panther Pride" by joining our group of local business partners
- Pope PTO is a 501(c) nonprofit, committed to supporting the education of the students on our campus.
- Your contribution helps Pope PTO provide invaluable resources to the students, teachers, and school.

Have more questions?
Contact Mary Ann Bell
at fundraising@popepto.org



PRIDE STORE

T-shirt Preorders Close Monday, September 15 at midnight

Fall PRIDE Store Dates:

- September 26
- October 31
- December 12



UPCOMING POPE SPIRIT NIGHTS

September 11: Marco's Pizza



September 19:

 Adventure Kids
 Playcare



September 24:
 Chick-fil-A Fry Road



ONGOING FUNDRAISERS

Kroger Community Rewards



Favor Delivery



Mabel's Labels



and choose our organization from the list!

5th Grade **T-Shirt Contest Entries** are due THIS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

STH GRADE T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

CALLING ALL CURRENT 5TH GRADERSI

WE NEED <u>YOU</u> TO SHOW US YOUR BEST 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 2026 somewhere on the design





EMAIL ARTWORK TO 5THGRADEPARTY@POPEPTO.ORG

LOST & FOUND

- Checked weekly by volunteers
- Labeled items are returned to students
- Pictures are taken of the new unclaimed and unlabeled items and posted in the Google Drive link
- Google Drive link is always found in the weekly Pope Smore newsletter and on the PTO Website



VOLUNTEERING NEEDS

- October 1-2: Hearing & Vision Screening
- October 16: Fall Student Pictures

See the QR Codes in your digital meeting packet or on the sign-in tables for the Sign Up Genius links.



THANK YOU FOR COMING!

