

# PTO COMMITTEES AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES 2009-2010



A great way to get involved at Desert Trails, get to know other parents, and enrich your child's education is to volunteer on a PTO Committee. Please check the box of the committee(s) that interest you and return this form to your child's teacher or the school office. A committee chair will then contact you. If you do not see something of interest but would still like to volunteer your time please let us know. There are always things to do and places that we need help. Below are just some of our opportunities.

**ANY AMOUNT OF TIME IS WELCOME WHETHER IT IS  
1 HOUR OR 100 HOURS!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing and/or able to volunteer your time (Please Mark all that apply):

- at the school during the day
- in the evening after 5pm
- at home (Flexible schedule)
- to photocopy PTO Documents on as an on needed basis

Do you have a particular skill, interest or background that you would like to offer to PTO?

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## EVENT COMMITTEES:

Our event committees are fun family centered events in which the whole family can participate. There are many ways to help. For each event, there is a "planning" committee that will help to plan, coordinate, and implement the event. Day of event volunteers are also needed. For all of the committees, there is work that can be done at school or at home. Each event may change from year to year depending on the committee.

- Pizza in the Park: (Fall)** Have fun with friends from school for Pizza and music on the school playground.
- BINGO: (Fall)** A night of BINGO in the Multipurpose Room.
- School Dance: (Winter)** Dance the night away with teachers and friends. Held in the Multipurpose room.
- Spring Fling: (Spring)** Play like a kid! Spring Fling is a Carnival like event that includes games, food and fun outside on the school playground.

## OTHER EVENTS:

- Book Fair: (Spring)** Love new books? Here is your opportunity to see the latest and most popular books out there. Work on this committee is done at the school during the day the week of the Book Fair.
- Red Ribbon Week: (October)** Red Ribbon Week is the oldest and largest drug prevention campaign in the country. During this week assemblies/events are set up for students during the school day to talk about the dangers and prevention of drug abuse.
- Field Day: (February)** You don't have to be athletic. We help Coach E with track and field events for a week during the school day for all students. K-3 students participate in field days during their scheduled PE time while the 4-6 have an entire day of activities. 4-6 students can qualify to participate at the district field day.

## YEAR-ROUND COMMITTEES:

- Art Masterpiece:** Do you want to learn more about famous Artists? If so, Art Masterpiece would be a great spot for you. Training, lesson plans and materials are provided. Times will be scheduled with individual teachers.
- Box Tops:** Volunteers help to gather and count Box Tops for Education that are collected by each classroom. This can be done at home at your convenience.
- Community Outreach:** We all want our children to see the value of giving. The Community Outreach committee runs our philanthropic programs; which in the past have included a school supply drive, food drive and sock drive. This committee has work both at school and/or at home.
- Yearbook:** Say Cheese! Help to gather pictures for the yearbook that comes out at the end of May. Volunteer work is done at school, at school events and at home.
- Merchandise:** Show your school spirit! Help organize, promote and sell school merchandise such as shirts and hats. Work on this committee is done at PTO events.
- United Parent Council Representative:** This involves attending monthly district meetings and reporting back to our PTO. We would like to have 2-3 representatives who could divide the work.
- Wellness Committee (Healthy Hawk Club):** The Wellness Committee helps to educate our students, teachers and parents about protecting our environment and our bodies. They also help to coordinate Field Days and Red Ribbon Week. (See other events above for specifics).
- PTO Liaison:** We would like for every classroom to have a PTO representative. We are still working on the job description for this position and will have more information soon.