

Things to know...

Freedom Area Elementary PTA Elected Board (2025-26 School Year)

☉ President - Laura Stofan
☉ Vice President - Molly Zingaro

☉ Treasurer - Christy Lawrence
☉ Secretary - Raelene Mack

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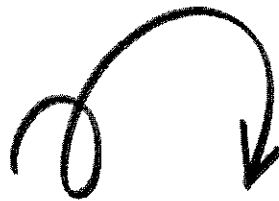
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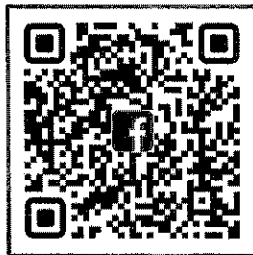
**FIRST DAY
OF SCHOOL**



Monday, August 25th

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PTA Committees

We're kicking off the school year with a lineup of awesome committees—each one playing a key role in making our school events and programs shine. Curious what they do? Read on!

Think you've got what it takes to lead the charge? Let us know if you'd like to be a chair or co-chair! (some spots may already be filled—planning doesn't take a summer break.). Chairs and co-chairs are expected to attend most of our monthly board/committee and general meetings. It's where the magic (and coffee) happens.

Not a planner but still want to pitch in? We've got you covered. Every event needs extra hands, and our amazing committee chairs will call for volunteers through flyers, PeachJar, or Facebook. When they do, jump in!

Got questions? Chat with any of the PTA officers. We're pretty sure there's a perfect spot for your time, talents, and creativity. Remember: no effort is too small, and every bit helps make a big difference!

- ☛ **After School Activities**– The chairs(s) will organize evening events during the school year. These events vary from year to year and are to promote family involvement in the school.
- ☛ **Assemblies**– This chair will work with the faculty and administration to coordinate up to 4 assemblies for the school year.
- ☛ **Bulldog Bash**– The Elementary end of the year celebration. This is an all-day field day type event that takes a village to plan – we never turn down help when it comes to planning!
- ☛ **Community Service**– The chairs(s) will work with the teachers to coordinate and run 1-2 service projects during the year.
- ☛ **Elementary Olympics**– The chairs(s) will be hosting a Spring event where K-4th grade students participate in track and field events.
- ☛ **Faculty Appreciation**– The chairs(s) will be responsible for showing our appreciation for the wonderful teachers and faculty.
- ☛ **4th Grade Celebration**– The chairs(s) are responsible for organizing a special day for the “graduating” 4th graders. You will also coordinate this event with the 4th grade teachers.
- ☛ **Fundraising**– The chairs(s) are responsible for all fundraising activities done by the PTA including Bucks for Bulldogs.
- ☛ **Parent Volunteers (Grade Reps)**– This committee is responsible for scheduling parents for classroom parties, field trips and possibly other events. One volunteer is needed for each grade. You will need to work with the other parent volunteers closely.
- ☛ **Reading Incentives**– The chairs(s) are responsible for running two Scholastic Book Fairs & the Book It Program.
- ☛ **Santa Shop**– The chairs(s) are responsible for coordinating a shopping experience for children to buy Christmas gifts.
- ☛ **Science Fest**– The chairs(s) will be responsible for organizing the Science Fest and ordering materials.
- ☛ **Talent Show**– The chairs(s) are responsible for organizing a talent show that will showcase the talents of our children.
- ☛ **Yearbook**– The chairs(s) are responsible for publishing a yearbook for students and teachers in the school.



Volunteer Clearances Required

In order to volunteer within the school, the district requires you to have the following clearances on file. You must also be a FAEPTA member to do any work with the PTA.

☺ **PA CHILD ABUSE HISTORY (FREE TO VOLUNTEERS—use 'SCHOOL' for Purpose of Clearance)**



1. Go to <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home>
2. Select Create Individual Account
3. Click Next, fill in information and follow through the prompts on the following screens
4. Once submitted, wait for an email back saying it is complete (takes a couple days). You will need to log back into the website to access the results to print.

☺ **PA CRIMINAL RECORD HISTORY (FREE TO VOLUNTEERS)**



1. Go to <https://epatch.pa.gov/home>
2. Click New VOLUNTEER Record Check
3. Read, check the box, then click Accept
4. Enter all the necessary information and follow through the prompts
5. Print out your results

☺ **FBI FEDERAL CRIMINAL HISTORY/FINGERPRINTS (\$25)**



1. Go to <https://uenroll.identogo.com/>
2. Enter the service code: 1KG6XN
3. Select Schedule or Manage Appointment
4. Enter all the necessary information and follow through the prompts
5. At the end, it will show you a list of locations and their appointment availability or you can look up the closest location for you and just do a walk in.

****Clearances are valid for 5 years****