

## Who is part of the PTO?

All parents of a child attending Liberty and teachers are members of Liberty's Parent Teacher Organization. Please consider becoming involved.

## 2017-18 Board Representatives

- **President - Germain Krueger**
- **Vice President - Alecia Zaun**
- **Secretary - Tina Dendy**
- **Treasurer - Rebecca Lacher**

Multiple volunteers are needed to coordinate events throughout the year.

## Meetings

The PTO will have a monthly business meeting. The schedule will be set in early September.

## Fundraising

**Calendar Raffle** - Super simple, each child is asked to sell a small number of tickets in short time frame. Cash prizes for ticket buyers, fun prizes for children who sell tickets! This is the only student fundraiser for the year.

**BoxTops for Education** - Collect BoxTops off things you already buy and turn them into the school.

**Rocket Fuel Envelopes** - Envelopes given to each family to make a free-will donation to the designated program for that year.

## 10 Reasons to Get Involved

Source: PTOtoday

1. Your child benefits.  
When parents get connected to the school, children do better. Research shows children whose parents are involved get better grades, do better on tests, and have fewer discipline problems at school.
2. We make a difference.  
Our mission is to create the kind of school community where teachers and administrators can do their best work—and so can our children. We provide support for teachers in and out of the classroom, and we try to build a supportive, caring atmosphere that makes school fun.
3. We pledge to honor your time constraints.  
People are often reluctant to participate because they're afraid they'll get pulled into a black hole of never-ending time commitment. That won't happen here. An hour or two a few times a year really makes a difference. And we won't push you to commit more than you want to or are able to.
4. We have fun.  
Volunteer work shouldn't be drudgery. We accomplish a lot, and not everything we do is easy. But we know we're not balancing the national debt, either. We don't take ourselves too seriously, and we try to enjoy ourselves along the way whenever possible.
5. Meet nice people who share your concerns.  
We all have a common bond. We care about creating the best possible educational experience for our children. We are neighbors and peers who share many of the same experiences. And many friendships have developed as a result of those connections.
6. There's a lot to be done.  
These days, schools are asked to do more with less. Our help is needed more than ever to fill the gaps.
7. We can match jobs to your interests & abilities.  
The work we do covers a broad spectrum: planning and executing events, working directly with children, managing a budget and cash flow, and lots more. We encourage creative ideas, and we're thrilled to have people take on tasks that meet their skills and interests.
8. We're welcoming.  
To us, there are no "outsiders." We are people who have come together to work toward common goals. We couldn't be happier to have you join us in working toward those goals.
9. It's about parent involvement, not fund-raising.  
In these times of tight budgets, parent groups everywhere have to fill in the gaps, and so are we. But our number one goal is to get more parents connected to the school. That's because more than 300 independent research studies show that building parent involvement in education is the number one thing we can do to create a great school and improve student performance.
10. The work is very rewarding.  
It's seeing the bright light of learning sparkle in a child's eye. It's seeing the smile that shows we're making school a little more fun—and a child feel a little more comfortable in a learning environment. There are lots of rewards, both big and small, for those who get involved. Won't you join us?

## About PTO

The goals of a PTO are to promote excellence in the education of our students and to foster a physical and emotional environment that will optimize each student's opportunity to learn.

While Bismarck Public Schools builds our school facilities, each Parent Teacher Organization helps fund additional needs. In the past, Bismarck PTO groups have funded many needs. These include staging and risers, class cameras, document cameras, and leveled reading room materials.

**All Liberty parents are encouraged to get involved to help achieve success. By being part of the PTO, you have the opportunity to be involved in your child's education**



## PTO Events

### Family Events

- Bingo for Books
- Treat Your Sweetheart Night
- Art Fair/Ice Cream Social

### School Events

- Meals for Teachers conference nights
- Fall Open House
- Organize clothing orders
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Yearbook

### Fundraising Activities

- Raffle tickets
- Box Tops
- Rocket Fuel Envelopes

## Welcome to Liberty!!



Please consider being involved in the Liberty PTO to help our new school community grow into a great success for our kids.



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