

Support the Oak Hill Parent-Teacher Organization

Dear Families,

Welcome to a new school-year at the Oak Hill Middle School. We hope that you have had a great start to a busy school year!

The Oak Hill PTO is here to support all our families and, as an Oak Hill parent or guardian, you are a valued member of the Oak Hill PTO. Please visit us at oakhillpto.org to learn more about the initiatives we support and to volunteer!

The Oak Hill PTO Depends on Your Annual Contribution

The PTO does not receive any funding from Newton Public Schools or the City of Newton, and we don't do major fundraisers as you may have seen at the elementary school level. Instead, direct annual dues from Oak Hill families like you fund the full range of initiatives we have planned for the 2018-2019 school year. From community events to teacher support, educational enrichment programs, and student events, your donation helps improve the educational experience for all our students.

We Need Your Support, This Year More Than Ever

Last year, one-third of families made their annual contribution and we had to pull from our reserve to ensure that 100% of our community received the Oak Hill PTO programs we promised. As parents ourselves, we know how important it is to create a welcoming cohesive community at Oak Hill, support our teachers and educational staff, and provide enrichment programming for our students. The full year 2018-2019 operating budget requires \$30,000.

Creative Arts & Sciences	\$12,000
Direct Support to Your Child's Classroom	\$5,300
Principals Discretionary Fund	\$2,500
Library Support	\$2,500
Admin, Business, Communication	\$2,400
Community Events	\$2,100
Student Events	\$1,200
Faculty Appreciation Events/Gifts	\$1,500
Fall/Spring Grounds Clean-up	\$500

Impact Your Child's School Year with Your Donation to the PTO

To fund the PTO, we ask for \$100 per family for the school year to give your child better funded classrooms, arts & science enrichment programs and exciting and memorable events. Please make your annual dues contribution today. **We hope you can make an incremental donation of \$50 or \$100 to help us reach our goal.** (Our goal is to have 50% of our families donate, which means we need to still fund the additional 50% of students. Your incremental donation gets us one step closer.)

PAY BY CREDIT/DEBIT CARD: Visit oakhillpto.org and click the **DONATE** button.

PAY BY CHECK: Place a check payable to Oak Hill PTO in a sealed envelope with [this form](#) and drop off at the Oak Hill school office OR mail to Oak Hill PTO, 130 Wheeler St., Newton MA, 02459.

Thank you for your support. Every dollar donated counts. Every hour volunteered helps. We recognize that PTO dues are voluntary and we value the contribution of every family. We have a great community here at Oak Hill and look forward to a great year together.

Sincerely, Farnaz Haghseta, Tamar Chamassian, and Kirsten von Hassel
Oak Hill PTO Co-Presidents 2018-2019, info@oakhillpto.org

Oak Hill PTO Programs:

Creative Arts & Sciences is a city-wide program funded by PTOs bringing high-quality enrichment programs to our schools – at least 3 per grade each year. Programs are selected to support the curriculum and are only made possible by your generous donation!

Direct Support to the Classroom: funds directly into our classrooms through teacher stipends, grants, and reimbursement for supplies.

Principal's Discretionary Fund: funds a range of items, including professional development, events and financial assistance for families in need. We work closely with the Principal to ensure every dollar impacts our school.

Library Supplies: funds support the library's subscriptions, new books and materials.

Admin, Business, Communication Expenses: As with every organization there are fees such as IRS Filings, Council dues, website hosting, bank fees, supplies, and permits.

Community Events: events to bring our community together like the back-to-school picnic and parent coffees. We organize social events for parents and guardians.

Student Events: contributions for 8th grade tile project, graduation, field day

School Appreciation Events: The PTO provides a welcoming lunch for all the staff before the first day of school and several other times throughout the year. And we thank our teachers and specialists on your behalf. We also clean the grounds and plant flowers.

PTO Membership 2018-2019

Oak Hill PTO dues are \$50 per student/\$100 per family. Additional donations are requested to help us reach our goals. Please make check payable to "Oak Hill PTO" and drop off at the Oak Hill Main Office. Or pay online at www.oakhillpto.org. **Thank You.**

Parent's Name(s): _____

Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____ Team: _____

Enclosed is our family contribution: **Contribution are tax-deductible.**

\$ _____ (PTO Dues of \$50 per student is suggested)
+ \$ _____ (Additional contribution to help fund all students)
= \$ _____ (Total Family Contribution)