



# RUMSON PTO



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**PTO Meeting Agenda**  
**September 9, 2020**  
**General Membership Meeting via Email Blast**

**1. Administrative Reports**

- Dr. Bormann, Superintendent

Please refer to the Virtual Learning website using the link below. This user-friendly website will include the most up to date information regarding the Rumson School District's Virtual Learning Program and Support. This website will also highlight daily Virtual Learning highlights happening in both schools. Virtual Learning Website:

<https://sites.google.com/rumsonschool.org/rumsonvirtualllearning/home>

- Message from Mrs. Gibbons, Forrestdale Principal

Please refer to the emailed weekly FD Principal's Letter for general information.

- Message from Ms. Feeney, Deane-Porter Principal

- **To the PTO:**

- Thank you to the PTO Board and staff members for providing the students in the district with clear backpacks! This was very generous and very appreciated!
- A huge thank you to the PTO for the wonderful welcome bags that were hand delivered to each of our new students' homes!! The thought, effort and the time spent to create a warm welcome to the district was greatly appreciated!!
- Thank you to the Board for their continued support throughout the summer as we prepared for the new school year. The support and time given to work alongside the Administration was invaluable!

- **Parent Information:**

- Please log into the Genesis Parent Portal every morning and complete the Covid-19 form for each of your children **prior to 7:45 AM**. This needs to be completed daily and any student that comes to school and the form has not been completed, has to wait in the waiting area with the nurse until the parent can be contacted and the form gets completed. Please make this a part



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of your morning routine and have it submitted by 7:45 AM. This cannot be completed the night before; it has to be tended to in the morning only. Usernames are your email address on file and if you are new to the district or you forgot your password, then just click forgot password and a new one will be sent to your email.

- **Please read the Virtual Student Handbook online.** We know it is lengthy, however, it is filled with valuable information for you. Please also make sure you read and have electronically signed off on all the opening day forms found in the Parent Portal.
- Please remember we are not accepting any forgotten items. Have the students check their backpacks in the morning to make sure their folders, Chromebooks, sneakers, water bottles, etc. are packed up prior to leaving the house.

## 4. Officer Reports

### President's Report:

- **Welcome Back** - Hope everyone had a wonderful summer and start to the school year, although different this year we will do our best to make sure our kids adjust well.
- **Annual PTO Membership**- Thank you to those of you who purchased your annual PTO membership.
  - If you haven't done so already, please log into the PTO website and you will find the link under "for sale".
    - You will receive your directory registration keys as an emailed link upon purchasing your membership. If you have any trouble please contact the website technical helpdesk.
    - Please update your info and your children's info on the website. We cannot update your info for you.
- **Class Parent Information**
  - **You must sign up via the PTO website and be a paid PTO member to be a class parent and to volunteer for PTO related events.**
  - **You must sign up by 3:00pm on Sept 15th if you are interested in being a class parent. You will be notified no later than 9/21 if you have been selected as a class parent.**



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- **Fundraising Goals** - We will be working closely with Dr. Bormann and the REF to establish our fundraising goals for the year. If you have any ideas, please feel free to share with us.

## Treasurer's Report:

- **Summary of Prior Year Gifting Program:**
  - The PTO gifted \$70,430 last year (2019/2020 school year) to Rumson's Board of Education. Here is the breakdown:
    - Forrestdale Cafeteria New Tables for Renovation (1st installment) - \$35,407
    - The PTO also sponsored \$17,370 worth of assemblies, visual performing arts, & author visits throughout the 2019-2020 school year. These assemblies enriched the curriculum school wide. All deposits on events cancelled rolled over to 2020-2021.
    - In addition, the PTO spent \$8,350 on Teacher Appreciation Gifts and \$1,646 on hospitality. The PTO donated \$3,318 to the Friends of Different Learners, \$1,682 in "All For Books" Donations for Teachers, \$1,500 for the "Kindness Challenge" by printing t-shirts for the event, \$707 for a "Rock the School" event., \$250 for supplies to help relocate 9 trees at Deane Porter impacted by renovation, and \$200 to the environmental club.
- **PTO Membership:**
  - PTO membership was at roughly 100 members as of September 3, 2020. Membership is an annual subscription and numbers reflect those who have signed up or renewed their membership for the 2020-2021 school year.
- **Proposed Budget for the 2020/2021 School Year**
  - \$34,210 purchase of Deane Porter Cafeteria New Tables for Renovation (2nd installment).
  - Purchase of clear backpacks \$9,186 and social distance decals \$500 to support our school's security and safety guidelines.
  - Hoping for great sales for our online Scholastic Book Fair this year.
  - The Family Fall Festival and Dawg Dash will be pushed out to Spring 2021 and budget remains the same, as conditions permit.
  - The PTO will tentatively host the Daddy Daughter Dance.



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- The PTO applied for and received a COVID disaster grant of \$10,000 that will help our mission of providing curriculum enhancement & enrichment to our students.

## 5. Reports

- REF: Golf Classic will be on 10/8/20 at the Navesink Country Club. Sponsorships, dinner tickets, etc. available. For more information please visit: [www.rumsonedfoundation.org/golf](http://www.rumsonedfoundation.org/golf)
- Bulldog Merch: Masks and water bottles are available to purchase individually or as a bundle. Masks are \$15, water bottles \$25, and bundles of 2 masks and a water bottle are \$50. Please contact Liz Kirk at [Bulldogmerch@gmail.com](mailto:Bulldogmerch@gmail.com) to purchase. Venmo and cash accepted.
- Coupon Books: Please look out for an email regarding our sale of virtual coupon books.
- Book Fair: Our Book Fair will be online this year. More information to follow.

### Important Upcoming Dates:

#### September:

10<sup>th</sup>: DP Patriot Day, Cohort A, Wear Red/White/Blue

11<sup>th</sup>: DP Patriot Day, Cohort B, Wear Red/White/Blue

21<sup>st</sup>: FD Virtual Back to School Night, 6:30 pm

24<sup>th</sup>: DP Virtual Back to School Night, 6:30 pm

28<sup>th</sup>: School Closed

#### October:

8<sup>th</sup>: REF Golf Classic

28<sup>th</sup>: BOE, 7:30 pm