




Isaac Dickson PTO Orientation

2019-2020



Welcome! And thanks for taking the time to be here.

WHO IS THE ISAAC DICKSON PTO?

We are. As a parent of an Isaac Dickson student you are already a member. The IDES PTO is an organization of parent and teacher volunteers that meets every month to support the school and enhance each and every child's education in and out of the classroom. Part of what makes Isaac Dickson a great place to learn is the widespread support and engagement from our administrators, teachers, and parent community.

What does the PTO do?

Throughout the year, the PTO supports school initiatives or activities, hosts events and works with Asheville community to a) foster a strong school community; b) provide opportunities that reach every student and; c) improve IDES with each year.

How can you support the IDES PTO?

There are many ways, both large and small, to be a part of the PTO.

1. Attend our monthly meetings
2. Sign-up to volunteer- list of opportunities coming...
3. Donate- all donations are tax deductible
4. Stay Informed- We are also involved at the policy level, working with the school administration, teachers and with other area schools on larger policy issues that affect our district.

How do you stay informed/connected?

Mailing List - Sign up for our mailing list to receive a quarterly newsletter and information about scheduled meetings and events.

Website – We invite you to explore the IDES website at www.idespto.org. The website, which is maintained by PTO volunteers, is mobile friendly and contains the most current information about the school and daily life at IDES.

Facebook- Like our Isaac Dickson PTO page on Facebook@ Dickson Parents and Families. .

E-mail us directly– at isaacdicksonelementarypto@gmail.com. We welcome your feedback and questions.

How does the PTO determine our objectives?

We survey the teachers at the end of the every year. As well, we address issues and concerns as they arise in our community through communication and outreach. PTO meetings are the best format for those discussions.

Last Year's Achievements include (but are not limited to):

Teacher Stipends, Classroom Funds Distributed, Solar Panels Funded, Garden Shed Completed, Sponsorship of REI Trainings, Completion of Stumptown Mural, Field Trip Sponsorships, the list goes on and on...

Meetings

-Meetings will last only an hour.

-They will be topical, centered around resources that support families

Topics will include: Family Finances, Nutrition, Health (both physical and emotional), Technology, Educational Resources, etc...

Thanks to technology, if there is still more to discuss at the end of the hour, we can collaborate via e-mail.

Mark your calendars

Meetings will be in the media room at IDES

Tuesday, September 24th - 5-6 pm

Tuesday, October 22nd - 5-6 pm

Tuesday, November 19th - 5-6 pm

Tuesday, December 17th - 5-6 pm

How can you help? *In no particular order :)*

Dine out for Dickson



Spiritwear

Enhance school pride



Monster Mash

Help plan a party



Garden

Dig in the Dirt



Hot Chocolate

Find sponsors and promote the race



Manage Communications

Connect



Passive Fundraising

Coordinate



Go Local

Collaborate



Teacher and Staff Appreciation

Spread the Love



Become a PTO officer

Dive right in!



3rd-5th Playground

Design and
Implement



What else?

The PTO is what we as a community make it to be. If you feel really passionate about something that's not on this list, we will do everything in our power to help you enact it.

Thank you!

Check out the clipboards and sign-up to volunteer

