

John F. Kennedy Elementary School PPO – Parent Participation Organization

What is the PPO?

The Parent Participation Organization (PPO) is a group of parents who help organize the activities and fundraisers at the school.

Why Join the PPO?

- 1. Great way to implicate yourself in your child's school and have fun.
- 2. Have a direct input in the events/activities offered at the school.
- 3. See your child in their school surroundings.
- 4. Get to know the teachers and students from all grades (and your child's friends!)
- 5. Although occasionally embarrassed most children do actually like to know that you are there for them, taking an interest and sharing their experience.
- 6. Volunteer with other dynamic parents and great staff members.
- 7. Talking to other parents helps you and them. Sharing experiences and parenting tips helps us all.
- 8. The commitment is not too much. The occasional evening meeting and various school fundraisers throughout the year.
- 9. Everyone has different talents and skills they can bring to the school. Parents are a great interface between the school and the 'outside world'. Very handy for raffle prizes, sponsorship or professional help.

"Studies show that children do better when parents are involved in school life. Parent Participation Organizations are one of the means by which all parents can contribute in a flexible way and to the degree that they are comfortable with."

What Does the PPO Do?

At John F. Kennedy Elementary School, our PPO helps organize special events and activities. The PPO looks for ways to raise funds for our school to enhance every child's school experience.

Activities

- Welcome Back-to-School Activities (such as Corn Roast or Family Fun Fest)
- Pasta Day
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Carnival Day

- Soup Day
- Fun Day

Fundraisers

- Bake sales
- TCBY sales
- Pizza Lunch sales
- Halloween Dance
- Breakfast with Santa
- Toy Sale
- Easter Chocolate Raffle
- Used Book Sale

The proceeds from these fundraisers are used in ways that directly benefit the students of John F. Kennedy Elementary School. A few examples are:

- 10\$ field trip subsidy for every student in the school
- Paying for special events and activities

The PPO of John F. Kennedy Elementary School endeavours to meet the needs of the students and staff of the school, the natures of which are constantly evolving and changing.

If you are interested, we would love to welcome you as a new member. Whether it is one day a week or one hour a month – any help is greatly appreciated and needed.

We have monthly meetings to discuss how our past events went and plan for the upcoming events. Don't worry if you are not able to attend every meeting, we appreciate your help in every way.

If you are interested in joining the PPO or would like to volunteer, please contact the PPO at jfkppo@gmail.com.