

Meadow Park Elementary Parent Involvement Team



Welcome Meadow Park Gator Families,

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome each of you and your families to Meadow Park Elementary School. As Meadow Park's PIT Crew President, I can assure you it is among our responsibilities to talk with you about our organization, enroll you as a member, and very importantly, encourage you to get involved in your child's school. But first, since this may be the first time at Meadow Park, for many of you, it is important for us to explain what the PIT Crew is all about.

What is the PIT Crew, and Who Can be a Member?

Our Parent Involvement Team or PIT Crew's main mission is to enhance children's educational experiences. This year, we will have a membership drive. Becoming a member does not mean you automatically sign up to volunteer. It does mean you support our group and believe in what we're doing. This year, our goal is for as many parents and caregivers to be involved! Please enroll your membership for the 2018-2019 school year and help us achieve our membership goal! The forms will be available at Open House.

PIT Crew Programs & Fundraising

Our primary objective is to provide our school with funds, programs, resources, and services that will enrich and maximize the education of every child. To meet this important objective, and afford services that are no longer covered by our school budgets, we must fundraise. Though it may not be our favorite responsibility, it is a necessary one. Our school community must raise money if we want to provide our children with the family nights, field trips, classroom needs, desk cycles, and much more, that we have in the past. Our school is excited about several new programs for this coming school year!

For the 2017-2018 school year...Yankee Candle, Gertrude Hawk candy sales, Santa Secret Workshop, Spirit Nights, Tervis Tumblers, Spring Carnival, and Spirit Sticks were some of our major fundraisers.

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Become a Volunteer...Why YOU Should Get Involved!

As you can see, we are a busy group. This is where you can come in! We need your help, and so do your children. Over 500 independent studies on parent involvement show that when parents get involved in their children's education, grades go up, test scores improve, children are more likely to attend better schools after high school, they have fewer discipline problems, and they're less likely to use drugs and alcohol. *Get involved TODAY!*

In Conclusion

I am a single mom. I know that there aren't enough hours in a day. If you can make a goal to give just two hours of your time in this upcoming school year, you will feel so rewarded seeing the smiles on the children's faces. The PIT Crew is about men and women working together toward a common goal. That goal, simply stated, is creating a better school and a better educational experience for our children. We strive to create an atmosphere where teachers, administrators, and support staff can do their best work - and so can our children. There is so much more that can be done and we need your help.

On behalf of the Meadow Park PIT Crew, we would once again like to extend a warm welcome and best wishes for a successful school year! Please contact the PIT Crew with questions or comments. (941.255.7470 or mpepitness@gmail.com)

We are looking for an exciting and eventful 2018-2019 school year. Look for more detailed information and sign-ups at the Open House!

Warmest regards,

Charlotte Neilsen
PIT Crew President