

REMINDER - PLEASE JOIN PTA !

Addams Elementary PTA Membership Form

Welcome the start of another school year!
Welcome to our returning and New Families!

The Addams PTA meetings occur monthly and provide updates from your PTA Board, our principal Mrs. Juneau, highlights of upcoming events, and educational news from the Royal Oak School District and State.

The PTA sponsors many fun and exciting activities for the families at Addams, including: The Fall Family Welcome, Cultural Arts Programs, The Fun Fair, MEAP Snacks, Mom to Mom sale, Daddy/Daughter Dance, Mother/Son Dance, and Staff Appreciation as well as many others.

We would love to have you join us this year.

Please see the other side of this form for some Frequently Asked Questions. If you have an additional questions please feel free to contact Maryanne VanHaitsma below.

Membership is \$5.00 for the first member and \$4.00 for each additional member in the household. Each membership entitles you to a school directory. Return the completed form with your child in an envelope marked, "PTA Membership." Please be sure to include cash or a check made out to: Addams Elementary PTA.

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Please Print

Parents/Guardians Name(s) First: _____ Last: _____

Child's Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City/Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

<u>Children's Names:</u>	<u>Grade:</u>	<u>Teacher:</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Would you like a directory for every paid membership: Yes _____ No _____

Any Questions, please call or e-mail Maryanne VanHaitsma 248-549-2703 or e-mail mvanhaitisma147198@comcast.net

The information below is for the membership chair to fill out:

Paid: Cash: _____ Check# _____ Directory: _____



Frequently Asked Questions

Q: If I join the PTA, do I have to be on a committee

A: No, joining does not commit you to anything. While we would love to have you get involved. What you choose to do or participate in is your choice.

Q: My schedule doesn't permit me to attend the monthly PTA meetings so why should I join?

A: Your support of PTA through your membership reaches beyond this school. By joining you are helping the National and State PTAs advocate for all children.

Q: Aren't PTAs like a "clique"?

A: The Addams Elementary PTA makes an effort to get all parents and teachers involved in whatever way they can and want. There are also limits on terms to prevent a few people from "taking over". We embrace the concept that everyone has gifts to share and we as an organization, benefit from the variety of gifts our membership has to offer. Our meetings are scheduled in the evenings in an effort to make them accessible to working parents.

Q: I am not familiar with PTA and how it works, so won't I be confused at meetings?

A: Possibly, but your PTA board is available by phone, email or in person to answer questions. Remember, we are all new at some point.

Q: Will people call me and ask me to do things if I join?

A: You will only be called if you indicated an interest in helping either in person or via a questionnaire.

Q: If I don't agree with what the PTA is doing, should I join?

A: Because as a member you have the right to vote on PTA decisions, this is a way to share your perspective and influence decisions.

Q: I don't have anything in common with the people I see at PTA meetings or functions, so why would I go or get involved?

A: Your child. When you join PTA, and participate in whatever you can, you send a message to your child that school is important and what they do in school is important. We don't always have a lot in common with other parents, but we all share concern for our children and want the best education and school experience that is possible for them.