



# **DENTON ISD COUNCIL OF PTAS**

**STATE OF THE COUNCIL REPORT  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2024**



## **PTA MISSION**

**TO MAKE EVERY CHILD'S POTENTIAL A REALITY BY ENGAGING AND EMPOWERING FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES TO ADVOCATE FOR ALL CHILDREN.**

## **PTA VISION**

**EVERY CHILD'S POTENTIAL IS A REALITY.**

## **PURPOSE OF PTA**

- \* TO PROMOTE THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN HOME, SCHOOL, COMMUNITY, AND PLACE OF WORSHIP.
- \* TO RAISE THE STANDARDS OF HOME LIFE.
- \* TO SECURE ADEQUATE LAWS FOR THE CARE AND PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH.
- \* TO BRING INTO CLOSER RELATION THE HOME AND THE SCHOOL THAT PARENTS AND TEACHERS MAY COOPERATE INTELLIGENTLY IN THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH.
- \* TO DEVELOP BETWEEN EDUCATORS AND THE PUBLIC SUCH UNITED EFFORTS AS WILL SECURE FOR ALL CHILDREN AND YOUTH THE HIGHEST ADVANTAGES IN PHYSICAL, MENTAL, SOCIAL, AND SPIRITUAL EDUCATION

## 42 Denton ISD Parent Teacher Associations

- 3 Early Childhood Campuses
- 26 Elementary Campuses
- 9 Middle School Campuses
- 4 High School Campuses
  
- May 2024 - Formation of Dorothy Martinez Elementary PTA

Looking ahead to April/May 2025 and the formation of  
Fred Hill Elementary PTA and  
Anita Reeves Elementary PTA

PTA STRUCTURE  
IN DENTON ISD

ALL  
DENTON ISD PTAS

AND

DENTON ISD COUNCIL  
OF PTAS

ARE IN GOOD  
STANDING WITH  
TEXAS PTA



Parent Account	Account Name	Texas PTA ID	SOA Officers	SOA Membership	SOA Bylaws	SOA Standing Rules	SOA 990	Bylaws Approved	Standing Rules Approved	Local Dues
Denton ISD	A. O. Calhoun Middle	2838	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4/4/2023		\$5.50
Denton ISD	Adkins Elementary	2260684	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/15/2024	5/15/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Alice M. Alexander Elementary	2852	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7/3/2024		\$3.50
Denton ISD	Ann Windle School for Young Children	2858	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1/20/2022	1/20/2022	\$2.50
Denton ISD	Bell Elementary	2284110	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4/18/2023		\$5.50
Denton ISD	Bettye Myers Middle School	2253311	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/26/2023	5/26/2023	\$3.50
Denton ISD	Billy Ryan High School	2841	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/21/2024	6/21/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Blanton Elementary	11957	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/14/2022	6/14/2022	\$5.50
Denton ISD	Borman Elementary	2836	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	10/19/2022		\$10.00
Denton ISD	Braswell High School	2270173	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/12/2024	6/12/2024	\$5.50
Denton ISD	Carroll McMath Middle School	2855	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4/30/2024	4/30/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Cheek Middle School	2312661	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/18/2024		\$5.00
Denton ISD	Cross Oaks Elementary	2233475	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/19/2023	6/19/2023	\$5.50
Denton ISD	Denton High School	2837	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/10/2024	6/10/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Dorothy Martinez Elementary	2312790	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/4/2024		\$6.00
Denton ISD	Eugenia Porter Rayzor Elementary	10265	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7/3/2023	7/3/2023	\$7.00
Denton ISD	Evers Park Elementary	2842	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7/2/2024	7/2/2024	\$5.00

# STANDARDS OF CONTINUING AFFILIATION

Parent Account	Account Name	Texas PTA ID	SOA Officers	SOA Membership	SOA Bylaws	SOA Standing Rules	SOA 990	Bylaws Approved	Standing Rules Approved	Local Dues
Denton ISD	Gallian Child Development Center	2262539	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9/14/2021		\$5.50
Denton ISD	Ginnings Elementary	2844	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/7/2021	6/7/2021	\$1.50
Denton ISD	Gonzalez School for Young Children	2240936	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4/24/2023		\$3.50
Denton ISD	Harpool Middle School	11925	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7/19/2024	7/19/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Hodge Elementary	2845	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/13/2024		\$5.00
Denton ISD	J. H. Guyer High School	11575	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/21/2024	5/21/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	L. A. Nelson Elementary	11812	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7/26/2024	7/26/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Mildred M. Hawk Elementary	11548	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7/20/2024	7/20/2024	\$6.00
Denton ISD	Navo Middle School	11643	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/18/2024	6/18/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Nette Shultz Elementary	2864	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/17/2024	6/17/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Newton Rayzor Elementary	2856	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4/5/2024	4/5/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Olive Stephens Elementary	11936	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/1/2024	6/1/2024	\$3.00
Denton ISD	Paloma Creek Elementary	11825	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	12/5/2022	12/5/2022	\$5.50
Denton ISD	Pecan Creek Elementary	11349	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/30/2024	5/30/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Providence Elementary	11448	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/14/2024	6/14/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	R. E. McNair Elementary	2854	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	8/11/2023	8/11/2023	\$5.50
Denton ISD	Rodriguez Middle School	2290942	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/19/2021	5/19/2021	\$4.00
Denton ISD	Sam Houston Elementary	2846	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4/11/2024	4/11/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Sandbrock Ranch Elementary	2312509	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6/17/2024		\$6.00
Denton ISD	Savannah Elementary	11680	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/24/2022	5/24/2022	\$7.00
Denton ISD	Strickland Middle School	2860	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7/1/2024		\$1.50
Denton ISD	Tomas Rivera Elementary	2857	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	12/18/2020		\$5.50
Denton ISD	Union Park Elementary	2311685	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7/1/2024	7/1/2024	\$5.00
Denton ISD	Wayne Stuart Ryan Elementary	10103	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/21/2024	5/21/2024	\$6.00

# STANDARDS OF CONTINUING AFFILIATION

AWARDS  
UPDATE –  
COUNCIL  
LEVEL

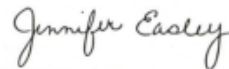
2023  
2024

# OUTSTANDING COUNCIL: PLATINUM AWARD

*Texas PTA proudly awards to*

**Denton ISD Council of PTAs**

*for their commitment to PTA's mission of making every child's potential a reality.*



Jennifer Easley  
Texas PTA President



Georgia Strickland  
Vice President Membership

# 2023-24 Membership Awards

## 205 Awards!

## President's Challenge

### Golden Apple

100% of Full Time  
Faculty and Staff

Adkins ES	Paloma Creek ES
Alexander ES	Pecan Creek ES
Ann Windle	Rodriguez MS
Bell ES	Stephens ES
Blanton ES	Sam Houston ES
Cheek MS	Sandbrock Ranch ES
Crownover MS	Savannah ES
EP Rayzor ES	Strickland MS
Hawk ES	Union Park
Newton Rayzor ES	



114% of last year's  
membership

Adkins ES	Newton Rayzor ES
Alexander ES	Paloma Creek ES
Ann Windle	Pecan Creek ES
Bell ES	Providence ES
Cheek MS	Rodriguez MS
Denton HS	Ryan HS
EP Rayzor ES	Sam Houston ES
Harpool MS	Sandbrock Ranch ES
Hawk ES	Savannah ES
Hodge ES	Strickland ES
Guyer HS	Union Park ES
McMath MS	

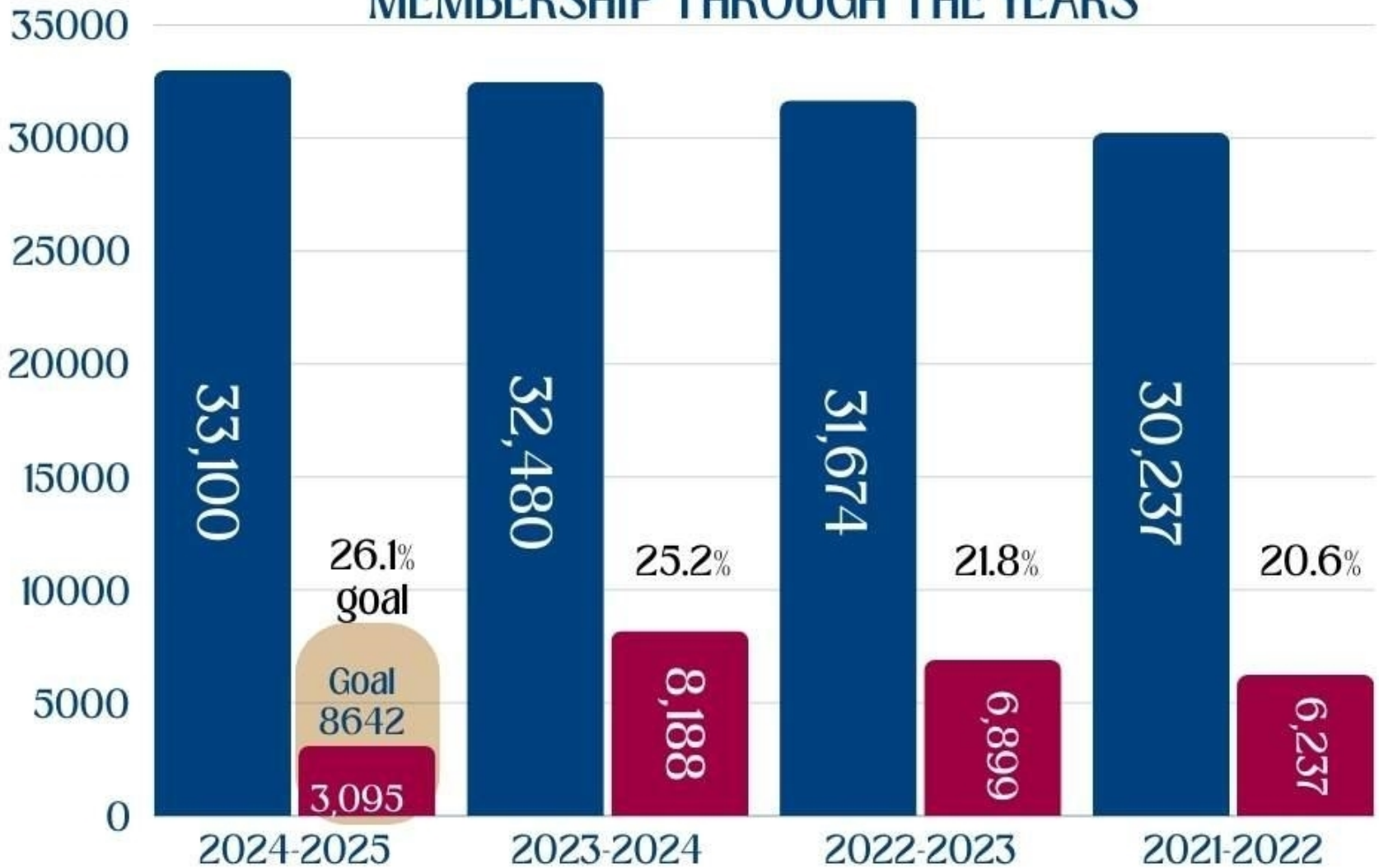


# Platinum Voice for Every Child

Adkins ES  
EP Rayzor ES



# DENTON ISD ENROLLMENT COMPARED TO PTA MEMBERSHIP THROUGH THE YEARS



Denton ISD Enrollment  
PTA Enrollment

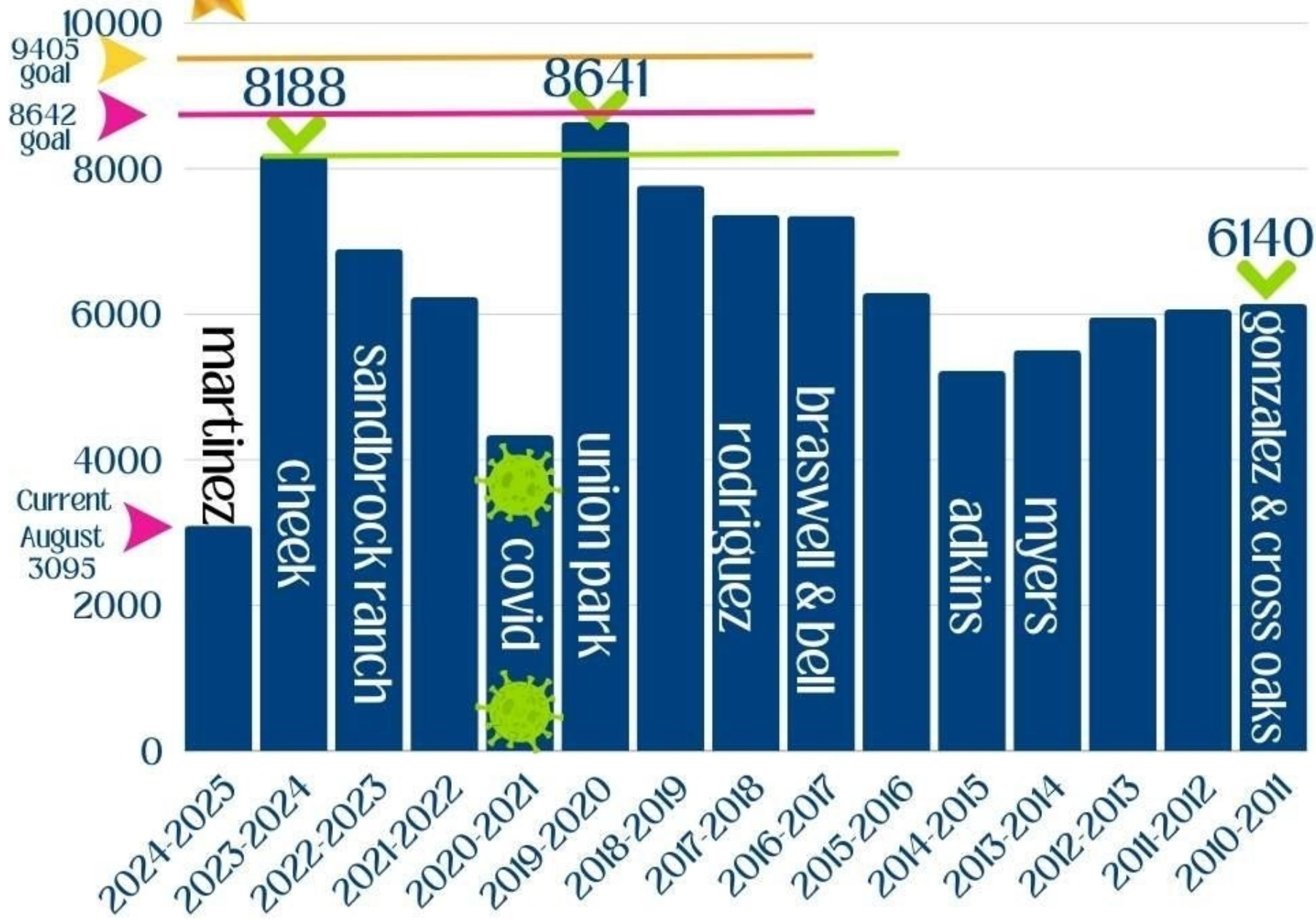
# DENTON ISD PTA ENGAGEMENT COMPARED TO OTHER DISTRICTS



Student Enrollment  
PTA Enrollment



# DENTON ISD PTA MEMBERSHIP THROUGH THE YEARS



# PTA Membership Goals



**Bronze Goal: 8189 PTA members**

**Silver Goal: 8642 PTA members**

**Gold Goal: 9405 PTA members**

# 2024-2025 Council Community Membership (as of 8/13/24)



## Members of all Denton ISD PTAs

- **Dr. Susannah O'Bara**; Denton ISD Superintendent
- **Mia Price**, Denton ISD School Board Trustee
- **Amy Terrell**; Denton ISD Council of PTAs President
- **Aimee Jones**; Denton ISD Council of PTAs VP, Aide to President
- **Suzanne Danhof**; Denton ISD Council of PTAs, VP of Programs
- **Sandy Brown**: Executive Director for Elementary Teaching & Learning
- **Jenifer Fuller**; Denton Public School Foundation Coordinator

# 2024-2025 Council Community Membership (as of 8/13/24)



**Robin Brownell;**  
Denton ISD Area  
Superintendent



**Dr. Lacey Rainey;**  
Assistant  
Superintendent  
**Lori Tays;** Denton  
ISD School Board  
Trustee  
**Krissy Tarwater;**  
Community member  
**Julie Simpson;**  
Community member



**Barbara Burns;**  
Denton ISD School Board  
President  
**Sue Park;** Texas PTA, FSR  
**Dr. Deron Robinson:**  
Denton ISD General  
Counsel  
**Dr. Jeremy Thompson;**  
Deputy Superintendent  
**Carla Ruge-Fritz;**  
Director of Career and  
Technical Education



**Luci Schulz;**  
Denton ISD Area  
Superintendent



**Dr. Jeff Russell;** Denton  
ISD Area Superintendent  
**Lori Farrar-Kakashvili;**  
Denton ISD Council of  
PTAs VP, Advocacy  
**Christina Hopper:**  
Denton ISD Council of  
PTAs VP, Arts in  
Education





## Participation

Sydney Cathy, EP Rayzor  
• Intermediate Dance Choreo

Lydia Davis, Nette Shultz  
• Intermediate Photography

Jordan Haas, Evers Park  
• Intermediate Music Comp

Zander Box, Harpool  
• Middle School Literature

Merida del Carpio, Crownover  
• Middle School Music Comp

Tieryan Quinero, Denton  
• High School Visual Arts

## Honorable Mention

Mackenzie Davis, Nette Shultz  
• Special Artist Photography

Mina Toscano, Union Park  
• Primary Photography

Ishaan Sagar, Sandbrock Ranch  
• Primary Visual Arts

Oliver Knight, Pecan Creek  
• Intermediate Film Prod

Neel Sagar, Sandbrock Ranch  
• Intermediate Visual Arts

Favour Kalu, Harpool  
• Middle School Visual Arts

Bryna Martin, Crownover  
• Middle School Photography

Mackenzie Peters, Guyer  
• High School Literature

Katelyn Simpson, Guyer  
• High School Music Comp

Haleigh Trilops, Guyer  
• High School Photography

## Award of Merit

Julian DeLuna, Denton  
• Special Artist Visual Arts

Layla Edgar, Bell  
• Primary Literature

Daniel Andrade, Bell  
• Primary Music Comp

# Award of Excellence

**Kylie Palmer, Adkins**  
• Primary Film Production

**Rose Taylor, Nette Shultz**  
• Intermediate Literature



# The 2024-2025 Reflections theme: Accepting Imperfection

Special thanks and congratulations to Paige Opaska from Barbara Bush Middle School PTA in Texas who created this year's Reflections theme "Accepting Imperfection."



# Support of Non-PTA Campuses



## Davis School

Since adoption of the Texas Safe Schools Act in 1995, all Texas public school districts have been required to provide disciplinary alternative education programs (DAEPs). DAEPs serve as alternative education settings for students temporarily removed for disciplinary purposes from their regular instructional settings.

We come to school each day to provide a structured social and academic climate in which students choose how they will respond to the world. We are committed to equipping students with behavioral and academic skills that will enable them to succeed in their regularly assigned classrooms and schools.

## Fred Moore High School

Fred Moore High School provides a true alternative climate where a student can graduate at an accelerated pace under the guidance of highly qualified classroom teachers. The school offers a compassionate learning environment that focuses on the academics needed to obtain a high school diploma.

Fred Moore assists students to stay in school – especially those facing challenging circumstances. It is a great alternative for students who want a change from the traditional high school setting. To enhance that compassionate learning environment, Fred Moore offers small classes and flexible schedules within regular school hours, to assist students in accelerating their academic goals.

## Sparks Campus

The Joe Dale Sparks Campus serves more than 1,300 to 1,500 teens throughout the school year. The school assists these students – who have encountered legal and/or disciplinary issues – to continue their education. The school operates as part of the Denton County Juvenile Detention System and serves all students in Denton County. The facility, which helps at-risk students, has been named the top Texas Juvenile Facility in the State.

## Fred Moore Day Nursery

Fred Moore Day Nursery School (FMDNS) is a Denton ISD childcare center, serving children ages 6 weeks up to 3 years old. We are open year-round. Our organization addresses the needs of low-income individuals by providing access to early childhood education with flexible tuition rates.

## LaGrone Academy (formerly ATC)

To keep pace in the rapidly changing world, Denton ISD opened the state-of-the-art LaGrone Advanced Technology Complex in 2006. It is a professional training facility to prepare high school students for today's and tomorrow's high-demand careers. The complex's main purpose is to provide high school juniors and seniors with professional training and/or pre-college courses. Students also have the opportunity to earn university or community college credit and/or the necessary preparation to attain certifications or licenses in certain technical fields. In 2021 Denton Independent School District announced the establishment of the LaGrone Academy, a high school of choice, that would sharpen the district's focus on college and career readiness.



## DENTON ISD COUNCIL OF PTAS

COME  
&  
GO  
EVENT

### financial reconciliation party

TUESDAY, JULY 9TH  
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
DENTON ISD - BOARD ROOM  
1307 N. LOCUST STREET DENTON, TX  
76201



**BRING YOUR BINDERS.  
BRING YOUR QUESTIONS.**

COUNCIL LEADERS WILL BE ON SITE TO HELP RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS UNDERSTAND WHAT TO LOOK FOR AND HOW TO COMPLETE A RECONCILIATION. ONE PERSON OR ENTIRE COMMITTEES ARE WELCOMED TO ATTEND.

# DENTON ISD training day

SATURDAY, MAY 11TH | 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM  
GUYER HIGH SCHOOL | 7501 TEASLEY LANE | DENTON, TX 76210

All leaders from Denton ISD booster clubs and PTAs, as well as those from neighboring communities or other school districts, are warmly welcomed to join us at this yearly training expo. It's an excellent opportunity to connect with fellow leaders and gain invaluable training aligned with Denton ISD Booster Club/UIL Guidelines and Texas PTA standards.

- President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Membership
- DISD Booster Club Workshop

8:30 - 9:45

- Planning an Event/Fundraising
  - (insurance, district approval, etc.)
- Financial Reconciliation Prep
  - (secretaries & treasurers)
- Advocacy
  - (how & why)

10:00 - 11:15

- Understanding Your Bylaws & Standing Rules
- DISD Booster Club Workshop

11:30 - 12:45

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QUESTIONS:  
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- President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Membership
- Boardmanship

[HTTPS://BIT.LY/2024TRAININGDAY](https://bit.ly/2024trainingday)



**DENTON ISD  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
CANDIDATE FORUM**

HOSTED BY  


**SAVE THE DATE 2024**

April 24th | Denton High School Fine Arts Center, 3001 Bronco Way, Denton 76207

**PLACE 1 CANDIDATES**  
BARBARA BURNS  
DEBI SCAGGS

**PLACE 2 CANDIDATES**  
SHERYL ENGLISH  
TERRY SENNE

6:30 PM  
WED., APRIL 24TH

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?  


**February 12, 2024**

**STRAIGHT TALK '24**  
Navigating the Smartphone Era

11:30 AM - 2:00 PM  
Denton ISD  
Professional Development Center  
Redbud Room  
1212 Bolivar Street

A panel of experts will discuss how smartphones are impacting our kids' minds, bodies, and classrooms.



**DENTON ISD COUNCIL OF PTAS**  
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FAMILY 5K & VENDOR FAIR  
April 20, 2024

**DENTON ISD  
FAMILY 5K  
& VENDOR FAIR**

3001 Bronco Way  
Denton, TX 76207  
Saturday, April 20th  
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
**DENTON HIGH SCHOOL**

**VENDOR FAIR**  
• FOOD TRUCKS  
• LOCAL NONPROFITS  
• FUNDRAISING  
• ACTIVITIES  
• SPIRIT WEAR  
• PROGRAMS  
• AND MORE!  
VENDORS FROM ACROSS DFW

**FAMILY 5K**  
JOIN RACERS FROM ALL  
OVER THE DENTON ISD  
COMMUNITY. MULTIPLE AGE  
GROUPS & AWARDS  
AVAILABLE.  
TROPHY FOR TOP CAMPUS!

**JOIN US!  
BECOME A VENDOR**  
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JOIN THE 5K  


**RAISE MONEY**  
HELP US RAISE FUNDS TO  
SUPPORT LOCAL PTAS IN  
OUR COMMUNITY AND  
PROVIDE VALUABLE  
SCHOLARSHIPS TO DENTON  
ISD SENIORS CONTINUING  
THEIR EDUCATION AFTER  
GRADUATION.

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# RALLY

## 2025

# DAY

February 24, 2025



# Founders Day 2023



- Founders Day Awards Ceremony – Former Texas PTA President, Suzi Kennon, Texas PTA VP of Advocacy, Rachael Abell  
Guest speaker–Texas PTA Director-at-Large, Ken Kuhl



- Presidents Luncheon – Texas PTA VP of Leadership, Kelley Thomas, Texas PTA President-Elect, Heidi PeCoy



# Texas PTA Annual LAUNCH Conference & Training

- 125 Denton ISD Attendees
- 58 First-time Attendees
- 7 Denton ISD Principals—Most we've ever had attend!
- Superintendent, Dr. Susannah O'Bara, & General Counsel, Dr. Deron Robinson, – “A Penny for Your Thoughts”





# Denton ISD at PTA Launch -- July 2024

## ★ TRAINING WORKSHOP 1

*Friday*

Council VP Membership, Tobie Beck, Council VP Ways and Means, Cynthia Holsclaw-Francis -  
"Beyond the Bid: Online Auctions"

## ★ FUNDRAISING PANEL

*Friday*

Council 1st Vice President, Aimee Jones; Council VP Membership, Tobie Beck;  
Council VP of Ways and Means, Cynthia Holsclaw-Francis

## ★ RELATIONSHIPS WITH ADMINS PANEL

*Saturday*

Council 1st Vice President, Aimee Jones; Council VP Membership, Tobie Beck;

## ★ TRAINING WORKSHOP 4

*Saturday*

Council President, Amy Terrell - "How to Plan an Event"



## ★ ADVOCACY PANEL

*Sunday*

Council 2nd Vice President, Suzanne Danhof - "Advocacy"

## ★ TRAINING WORKSHOP 5

*Sunday*

Superintendent, Dr. Susannah O'Bara, and General Counsel, Dr. Deron Robinson  
- "A Penny for Your Thoughts: The Importance of Adequate School Funding"



# ANNOUNCING CLASS OF 2024







# Volunteer Support

As of April 2024, the National Value of a  
Volunteer hour is worth **\$33.49 per hour**

In Denton ISD in 2023-24, volunteers logged  
71,688 hours of service

The Volunteer Support to Denton ISD was worth:

**\$2,400,831.12**



# 2024-25 DENTON ISD COUNCIL OF PTAS GOALS

- ✓ SUPPORT ALL PTAS IN DENTON ISD
- ✓ MENTOR DOROTHY MARTINEZ PTA
- ✓ ORGANIZE FRED HILL PTA AND ANITA REEVES PTA
- ✓ INCREASE MEMBERSHIP ACROSS DENTON ISD
- ✓ INCREASE PTA MEMBERSHIP ACROSS DENTON ISD TO GET BACK TO OUR HIGHEST MEMBERSHIP (BEFORE UNION PARK PTA, SANDBROCK RANCH PTA, PAT CHEEK PTA, AND MARTINEZ PTA OPENED)
- ✓ ORGANIZE SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE FORUMS
- ✓ INCREASE DENTON DASH REGISTRANTS TO INCREASE SCHOLARSHIPS TO DENTON PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION FOR TEACHERS & STUDENTS
- ✓ CONTINUE TO GROW FUTURE VOLUNTEER LEADERS IN DENTON ISD AND PROVIDE TRAINING FOR BOOSTER & PTA LEADERS
- ✓ GROW ARTS IN EDUCATION (REFLECTIONS) PROGRAM TO ADVANCE THE ARTS IN DENTON ISD
- ✓ CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF ALL DENTON ISD STUDENTS

*Thank you to our Partners!*



*Balloons and Arches*

**IN-KIND PARTNERS**



**Proud 2023-24 Denton ISD Council of PTAs Partners**