

Tomlinson Middle School PTA

200 Unquowa Rd, Fairfield, CT 06824



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Dear Tomlinson Families,

The Tomlinson Middle School PTA extends a warm welcome to those of you who are new to our school and a “welcome back” to all those returning. We are eager to meet the new Tomlinson families and help you get involved in your child’s school life. The PTA is a strong group of parents, staff, and community members who have the same common goal – to help our children learn and succeed!

To support the activities that the PTA sponsors, *we need your help!* Working together, we can truly make a difference at school and in the lives of our children. Your time, participation and financial support are so important to the success of Tomlinson Middle School.

How You Can Help:

1. **Review** the volunteer opportunities (please visit the PTA website for all openings) and **share** your time/talents.
2. **Complete** our PTA Membership Form, Volunteer Registration Form, and our Volunteer Sign up Form (all located on the Tomlinson PTA website.)
3. **Participate** in PTA sponsored activities and watch your children shine!
4. **Attend** PTA meetings periodically and **stay informed** by visiting our website and reading our weekly Flash Newsletter.

This year’s meeting schedule is as follows:

- **September 9th**
- **October 7th**
- **November 4th**
- **December 2nd**
- **January 6th**
- **February 3rd**
- **March 2nd**
- **April 6th**
- **May 4th**
- **June 1st**

5. **Support PTA sponsored fundraisers** by participating in our Annual Walkathon. This is our main fundraiser and will take place on October 2nd. More information will be coming home shortly so please keep a look out! Our goal this year is \$25,000, which will secure our ability to continue offering all of the great programs throughout the year.

We are mixing it up a bit this year with the introduction of our first Adult Social this spring (why

should the kids have all the fun?) and monthly “Take-out Tuesdays:” Restaurant sponsored nights out. More information about these and other activities will be forthcoming in the weekly Flash and on our TMS PTA website, so please keep a lookout.

Proceeds from these events fund PTA programs throughout the year. These include field trip buses, classroom enrichment, author visits and the many extras we provide to our students and school, such as technology equipment (like Smartboards!), sport and team equipment (a new tent was just purchased for our track and field teams) educational software, scholarships and books for the LMC.

We look forward to another incredible year at Tomlinson and are excited to have our families join together to build a friendly, caring and spirited school community where our children thrive. If we can assist you in any way, please contact us with your questions, concerns or ideas!

On behalf of the entire PTA Executive Board,

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