

Welcome!

Whether you are a new or returning family, we welcome you to the new school year! We are happy to have you as part of our school community of caring staff and involved families. Our PTA plans many wonderful activities each year and now as always... **the PTA needs YOU!**... Families who care and recognize that family participation is ESSENTIAL to student success!

Burcham Elementary

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Who is the PTA?

The PTA is YOU. It's made up of parents, teachers, guardians, school staff, extended family & community members.

What does the PTA really do?

We do LOTS! Here are some highlights:

- ★ Off-campus field trip funds (offered to all grades)
- ★ Reflections & Meet the Masters art programs
- ★ Paw Shop and Book Fairs
- ★ Family events such as the Welcome Picnic, Trunk-or-Treat, our Pancake Breakfast and Spring Carnival
- ★ Health & Safety programs like Red Ribbon Week (an anti-drug campaign), Anti-Bullying & Bike Safety
- ★ Walk-Thru's (a special on-campus history program for 4-5th graders)
- ★ Fitness Challenge and Spring Talent Show

These events and programs are paid for by PTA fundraising events throughout the school year.

How will I hear about PTA events?

- ★ Flyers will come home with your student throughout the year.
- ★ Be sure to attend **Back-to-School night** in the Fall where you'll hear more about the PTA.
- ★ Sign-up for our email newsletter, the **Bobcat Bulletin**. Go to our website: www.burchampta.org and click on "sign-up for newsletter".
- ★ **LIKE us** on Facebook at www.facebook.com/burchampta. Be sure to turn on "notifications" so you see our posts right away!

What can I do now?

1. **Become a PTA MEMBER today** by completing the Membership Form - attached & found at www.BurchamPTA.org/join
2. **Attend our MONTHLY PTA MEETINGS on the 2ND THURSDAY of the month** from 6:30-8:00pm on campus starting in October.
3. **Consider VOLUNTEERING** in the classroom by completing the Volunteers in Public Schools (VIPS) Form or volunteer for an upcoming PTA event (see separate sign-up sheet).



Thank You!

Thank you, in advance, for your interest in Burcham and for lending your time, energy and skills to make a difference in your child's life. YOU make our PTA great! We promise the time you give to the PTA will be worth your while – and even fun! **If you have any questions** or concerns, please email us at burchampta@gmail.com or leave a voicemail at 562-344-5610

~Your Burcham Bobcat PTA Board