

Your Role as a Parent

Studies have shown that parent involvement in their child's school can help improve the overall education of the child. The PTA has been a positive force in encouraging collaboration between home and school. The PTA further supports the school's programs by volunteering, fundraising, and hosting special events. To this end, in addition to your annual PTA dues of \$15, Saint Ann School has both a PTA volunteer hour requirement and a fundraising requirement.

At Saint Ann School, each K-8 family is required to volunteer 25 hours throughout the school year. A family can earn hours by working at or donating items for a PTA event, chaperoning a class trip, serving lunch duty, or assisting at many other events. Families that have not fulfilled the designated amount of hours are billed \$10.00 an hour for the remaining hours.

In addition to volunteering, each family is required to raise \$125 in funds through the various PTA fundraisers. As with the volunteer hours, if the \$125 commitment is not met, the family will be billed for the outstanding balance.

For more information please consult the PTA Directory or visit the school website:

<http://st-ann-school.org/pta-volunteer-and-fundraising-re>



Our Saint Ann School PTA has a number of exciting events planned for the upcoming school year. In the interest of becoming more Earth-friendly, we have reduced the amount of flyers that are sent home with your child throughout the year.

The PTA board has put together a webpage for our Online P.I.E. (Parent Information Envelope):

<https://saintannschoool.org/pie>

On this page parents can find the PTA Weekly Updates, flyers and other important info that you may have missed in your child's backpack. In addition, you will also receive a weekly email blast from the school which will include PTA information and links.

Stay Informed

For other ways to reach us, please see the front of this brochure!

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Saint Ann School



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**What is the PTA?
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And More!**

Connect with the PTA

- ❖ Our webpage:
<http://st-ann-school.org/student-life/pta>
- ❖ Follow us on Facebook:
www.facebook.com/stannschoollpta
- ❖ Email our PTA President at:
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Saint Ann School PTA

What is the PTA?

The Saint Ann School PTA and Board are 100% volunteer organizations composed of Saint Ann School parents just like you.

We know that you want the best for your children and being a PTA member can help you achieve that! Children learn more and have better lives when parents, school staff, students, and the community work together. The PTA brings these groups together to share thoughts and ideas to benefit all our children. Our PTA provides information and resources that strengthen these relationships and support new and ongoing school programs and activities.

As a PTA Member:

- You will be supporting children in our school and throughout the Diocese of Trenton.
- You may participate in PTA meetings.
- You are eligible for office in our PTA.
- You will receive a copy of the PTA Directory.
- **You will be part of a unified voice to support the needs of our children.**

PTA Dues: \$15

Why Get Involved in the PTA?

The number one reason to get involved in the PTA is to benefit your children. In doing so, you also help your school. However, there are many more advantages. Here are just a few:

* **Get Connected.** There is no better way to know what is happening in your school.

* **Discover Great Resources.** The PTA offers a variety of programs designed for parents and students.

* **Tap into a Network.** Parenting is not easy—it helps to share ideas, concerns and experiences with other parents and educators in the community.

* **Watch Yourself Grow.** By volunteering with your PTA, you gain valuable experiences. It is an opportunity to put your skills and hobbies to good use for a good cause.

* **Speak Up.** Because the PTA is a forum for exchanging ideas, you are encouraged to make suggestions. PTA can be a way for you to more effectively suggest change at your child's school.

* **Witness Improvement.** By getting involved at your child's school you'll be part of the solution, helping make positive changes.

* **Be a Role Model.** You'll be demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education.

Budget Priorities

(What your contributions support)

- Classroom Teacher & Staff Supplies
- Curriculum support
- Professional education for teachers/faculty
- Facilities improvements & maintenance
- Technology Program support
- Field trip support for each grade
- After School Clubs including Newspaper Club, STREAM Clubs, Yearbook
- Student Enrichment Programs: Holiday Trip to the Movies, Spirituality Activities, Student Assemblies
- Family enrichment events including the Back to School Picnic, Karaoke Nights, Trunk or Treat, Breakfast with St. Nicholas, Easter Egg Hunt, Family Bingo
- Playground upkeep

Examples of 2017-2018 PTA Expenses

School Assemblies	\$ 3,995
Field Trips	\$13,350
Graduation	\$ 6,500
Teacher/Classroom Stipends	\$ 2,200
CEL Program (St. Ann's Tuition Assistance Program)	\$ 4,840

Examples of PTA