



Dear Keene Mill Families,

On behalf of the KMES PTA Board, I would like to **WELCOME** you to the 2017-2018 school year!

Our KMES PTA Board has been busy planning a FUN lineup of events, programs and before and after-school student enrichment opportunities. Our goal is to enrich our children's education and foster a sense of community among families and staff. To achieve this, each year we support a variety of school programs such as the STEAM Lab, host educational and entertaining events like our Author visits, and provide information that impacts our schools. We also spearhead teacher and staff recognition and provide teachers with grant opportunities and enrichment funds for their classrooms and field trips to enhance student learning.

Membership: We encourage you all to join the PTA (just \$10 per person) to support our school, receive access to the school directory, and make new friends.

Volunteer: Your involvement, whether it is your time, knowledge, or resources makes a difference! We need you to make this year a success! If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out the Volunteer Recruitment Form, even if you only put your name and email on it at:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScNRFQxXB8HOiXMK1dXKcvi5b9jbHhpcpi_3QmPjNUZhytisw/vie wform?usp=sf_link . A Volunteer Coffee will be held on October 2 at Keene Mill. If you want to get involved, but don't know how or what you want to do, please come to the Volunteer Coffee to learn more about opportunities or email Kelly Wevley at kmesptavolunteers@gmail.com. Thank you for helping in any way you can!

Communication: In an effort to reduce the amount of paper used, we will primarily use the weekly Principal's Update email messages (News You Choose) for communication. We also have a "Virtual Thursday Folder" on our website at www.kmespta.org where you will find information on upcoming events and programs. In addition, we invite you to "like" our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/keenemillpta. Our first PTA Meeting will be on October 2nd at 6:00pm at KMES. Please feel free to email me at: kmesptapresident@gmail.com with any questions or suggestions.

We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you at the Back-to-School picnic on Friday, September 15.

Warm regards,

Penny Dunlop
Keene Mill Elementary PTA President

Calendar of Events for 2017-18

Aug. 31 Back-to-School Night K-2
Sept. 5 Back-to-School Night 3-6
Sept. 8 Booster-thon (not a PTA event)
Sept. 15 Back-to-School Picnic
Oct. 2 Principal's Coffee/PTA Volunteer Coffee
Oct. 14 Pyramid Challenge
Oct. 27 Costume Bingo
Dec. 1 Family Fun Night/Raffle
Jan. 9-10 Student Spelling Bee
**Dates subject to change*

Feb. 1 Family Science Night
Feb. 20-Mar.2 Book Drive
Feb.26 -Mar. 3 Read-a-thon Fundraiser
Mar. 22 6th Grade Volleyball Game
Apr. 5 Innovation Fair
May 4 International Night
May 7-11 Teacher Appreciation Week
Jun. 5 Principal's Coffee/PTA Mtg