



Families of St. Ambrose,

The PTO welcomes you to the start of another great school year. Our community is thriving with the addition of new families, enhanced technology in the classrooms with ActivPanels and devices for each student, and a dedicated faculty. Although the challenges of the pandemic persist, we've proven our resiliency when we all come together. We have a great year planned and these are your PTO back to school basics:

Goals: building community, supporting school development, teacher appreciation, and fundraising.

TTT: To meet our goals, we need to get to know our community better and how each of us can uniquely contribute our Time, Talent, and Treasure. We will be sending a survey in the coming weeks for you to fill out.

Online Tools: Check out the Knightly News every Wednesday for updates and links to our latest activities. Join our parent forum via the Next Door app through the enclosed instructions. Follow us on social media on Facebook at St. Ambrose Catholic School; on Instagram at [stambrosescatholicsschool](https://www.instagram.com/stambrosescatholicsschool/); and on Twitter @stambrose22003. The PTO primarily utilizes the GiveSmart platform to create individual websites for each event where you can find out details and make purchases.

Show Your Spirit: Buy your Spirit Wear at <https://spiritwear21.givesmart.com>. Students can wear spirit wear the first Friday of each month. We've enclosed a magnet as a gift to each family to show your school pride.

Events: We have a full slate of events for the rest of this calendar year that are fun social activities to build community as well as fundraise. In the spring, we will host the gala auction, which is our primary fundraiser for the year.

- Sept 15th – Oct 5th: Raise Craze – fundraising through acts of kindness
- Sept 19th: Parish Picnic
- Oct 2nd: Parking Lot Pop-up
- Oct 17th: Virtual Bingo
- Oct 29th: Trunk or Treat
- Nov 3rd – 10th: Pre-order Christmas Poinsettias and Wreaths
- Nov 12th: Virtual Wine Tasting Class
- Nov 29th: Giving Tuesday
- Dec 6th – 10th: Toys for Tots Collection
- Dec 13th – 14th: Three Kings Christmas Shop

As we kick off the school year, we want to say thank you. Thank you for your generosity, your compassion, and your dedication to our special school.

Blessings,

The PTO Executive Board

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