



Dear Elisa Nelson Elementary Parents,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year!

As we begin this unconventional school year, the Elisa Nelson Elementary PTA stands by its mission "to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children." Together as a community we can help create an environment of support for all our children, whether it is in the school building or at home.

Last year in our first year as a school, the PTA was successfully established with an initial membership of more than 200 people! We supported school events with food donations and volunteers at our Beautification Day, Grand Opening and Reading Under the Stars programs. ENE PTA participated in the advocacy week of Start with Hello and National PTA's Reflections Art program. The PTA took charge of spirit wear sales and yearbooks, as well as the Holiday Shoppe where students were able to shop for loved ones for the holidays. The PTA even launched a first families brick fundraiser to help purchase more outside lunch tables.

This year we are committed to continuing to foster community at Elisa Nelson Elementary. With a little imagination and some outside-the-box thinking we can continue to support and advocate for our children. This summer we have been working to create a more comprehensive PTA welcome packet, expand our website presence and explore better tools to help better communicate not only to our members but to the school community as well. Our initiative wish list is long this year. We are in the process of initiating school beautification, teacher appreciation (back to school gift) and school planners for all children (in school and virtual). We are continuing to plan for advocacy programs such as Start With Hello and working toward a possible virtual advocacy program, as well as virtual family engagement nights. We also plan to participate in the National PTA Reflections Program again. We have begun to brainstorm for bigger initiative items that will not only benefit our children during the times of COVID but for years to come as well.

Your membership is a voice in the contribution to what we can achieve. Communication is key. Please always feel welcome to reach out. Let's unite together for our children this year, no matter where we are.

Go Blazers!

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