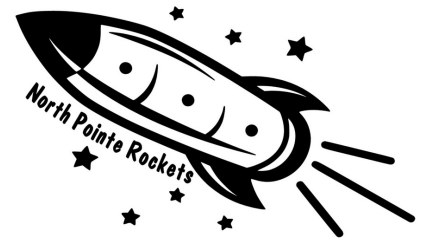


To The Pointe

North Pointe Rocket PTA Newsletter



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Join NPE PTA!

Welcoming all students, families, and communities of North Pointe to join Rocket PTA!

Membership supports our NPE children and staff by funding essential educational needs while building an inclusive school community for all our families.

Increasing our membership, even by one, makes it possible to provide important educational resources, extending your voice on important issues and create a stronger school community.

There is no wrong way to PTA, however you choose to PTA is up to you!! No time to volunteer, that is ok! Membership does not require you to volunteer.

Join today at www.joinpta.org – still have questions?

Please email membership@rocketpta.com.

Upcoming Dates

- **Thursday, November 10 @6:00PM- 8:00PM**
STEM Night at NPE
- **Friday, November 11 @ 8:30AM - 9:30 AM**
Veterans Day Program
- **Monday, November 14th**
Thanksgiving Feast last name A-L
- **Thursday, November 17th**
Thanksgiving Feast, last name M-Z
- **November 21-25 Thanksgiving Break**
- **Friday, December 9 @ 5:00PM -8:00PM**
Movie Night at NPE Playground
- **December 16 Early Release**
- **December 19 -January 2 Winter Break**
- **Monday, January 16 No School**
- **Wednesday & Thursday January 18 & 19**
Pastries with Pals
- **Thursday, January 19 @ 5:45 PM**
PTA Membership Meeting - NPE Gym
- **Monday, February 6 - No School**
- **Wednesday, February 8th Evening**
Fit Night
- **Saturday, February 11**
NPE PTA School Fair

Rocket PTA Website!

North Pointe PTA has a website!

www.rocketpta.com is full of information Full calendar of events, meeting schedule, helpful links from lunch sign ups to volunteer sign ups, and other information can be found there! Bookmark it and visit it regularly, as it is still growing!





Trunk or Treat

Thank you to all who came and made our FIRST ever Trunk or Treat a complete success! Despite the rain, you helped make it a night to remember! We have some truly creative families and teachers among our NPE family! You were SPOOKTACULER!

Take a peek at our website and Facebook page to see pictures of all the fun!

Did you take pictures too? Please send them to mindiparmet@gmail.com!

Staff Appreciation

The PTA's Staff Appreciation committee would like to thank Chuy's Webster for a complete taco bar for our October Staff Appreciation event! We had both soft and crispy taco options and all the toppings, including the yummy green sauce. Thank you Chuy's Webster for your generosity and support of North Pointe!!

Getting Involved, Opportunities To Help

The School Fair Needs You!

Basket Committee

Basket information coming home soon! You can go ahead and get your basket shopping done early this year!

Each grade level will create baskets for our basket raffle at the school fair. Look out for an Amazon wishlist with items we need for each basket. Thank you for all of your help and support, the students love the basket raffle and it wouldn't be possible without you!

Library Helpers

Mrs. Sandner, NPE's Librarian, needs help throughout the school year with checking books in and out, reshelving books, locating research materials, and aiding with any special library projects - such as makerspace activities.

If you would like to be on the library helpers list, please submit the form linked by the QR code and our library chair will reach out soon!

Questions can be sent to library@rocketpta.com.

[Click Here for Library Form](#)

Silent Auction Help

The School Fair team is already hard at work preparing for the school fair. A big and very visible part of that is the Silent Auction. If you or your company provide a product or service that you would like to donate and have highlighted in the school fair, or if you would like to sponsor an item in the silent auction, please contact Alex McCracken at alexandria.mccracken@hotmail.com.

If you have a few hours to spare and would like to help out the school, we are putting together a team that will contact local businesses asking for donations. This would be either time spent making online requests or visiting your favorite places requesting donations.

Art Classroom Needs!

Ms. Mills needs a lot of yarn for a project. Any craft yarn will do, even leftovers and used skeins/balls. All colors are welcome. She is also still in need of plastic Folgers coffee tubs for paintbrush cleaning.

Yarn and coffee canisters can be left for her in the office or sent in with students.

Helping Hands

The Helping Hands committee relieves teachers and staff of the important non-teaching tasks like photocopying, binding, die cuts, and laminating - giving them more time for instruction. We need and appreciate your help!

Questions can be sent to volunteers@rocketpta.com.

[Click Here for Helping Hands](#)



Library
Helpers
Form



Helping
Hands Form



Events!

STEM NIGHT TOMORROW

Date: Thursday November 10th

Time: 6:00-6:45 pm The Yuck Show

6:45 - 8:00 pm. Hands On

Experiments

Place: NPE Gym

Come out tomorrow night for a night of science!

There will be a special science demonstration,

The Yuck Show, from 6:00- 6:45 pm

and there will be hands-on experiments until 8:00 pm.

This is free night of learning for the whole family. We hope to see you there!

Movie Night

Save the Date!

December 9th 5:00 - 8:00 pm.

Lights, Camera, Action- It's time for Movie Night on the Playground!

We are excited to bring this event back this year! Please keep an eye out for upcoming ticket sales information and volunteer opportunities for this year's Movie Night!

Hot and cold beverages, candy and popcorn concessions will be available for sale- so come ready to snack and relax!

BYOC- Bring your own chair. We will be set up on the basket ball court on the playground, bring a blanket, bean bag, or lawn chair and dress warmly!

Veterans Day Program

NPE's Veterans Day Program!

Friday, November 11th at 8:30am

All veterans are invited to attend.

Reflections Winners

The Reflections Program had two Intermediate Visual Arts submissions. Lourdes Morales won an Award of Excellent for her piece "Perennial Nature," and Sophia Lee won an Award of Merit for her piece "Uni Doughnut." Congratulations to Lourdes and Sophia for their stellar work!

Many thanks as well to the UHCL Art School for Children Instructors, Eboni Johnson, Jessy Esme Ortega, and Rachel Deleon, for volunteering as judges for the program

PTA Fundraiser

Thank you to all Rocket Families that donated to our PTA Fundraiser through Step It Up! Fundraiser. We were able to raise a gross amount of \$30,577!! And all Rocket students were able to enjoy a Day of Awesomeness on Monday November 7th. We are very grateful for all the support you give to the PTA!



Get To Know The NPE PTA Board!

Meet our Volunteer Coordinator- Catherine Fonseca

My name is Catherine Fonseca. I was born in Dover, England and grew up all over the world before settling in Clear Lake in 2016.

I have 3 rockets. Maurice in 4th grade, Carys in 2nd and Jacqui in Kinder. I also have a 2 year old who thinks she is in 1st grade. My children love being part of this alumni and we feel fortunate for the friendships we have made.

I have a bachelors in business, operate a small business and am also studying. I love being part of this village and hope through my role to increase participation.

My role is volunteer coordinator and one of my major responsibilities is to make sure that the faculty and PTA are able to accomplish their goals with the help of our wonderful volunteers and have a successful year.

I look forward to meeting more of you throughout the course of the year. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you are interested in volunteer opportunities. My email is volunteers@rocketpta.com

Meet our School Store Chair- Jean Neyland

My name is Jean Neyland. Many of you may know me as the GT teacher at North Pointe, but I am also a member of the PTA Executive Board. In previous years I oversaw Rocket Readers and School Supplies. This year I am responsible for running the NPE School Store!

I'm a proud Mom to three Rocket Alumni- Jackson aged 16, Cooper aged 14, and Parker aged 12. I am a first-time band mom, so a lot of my free time is spent driving band carpool or doing all things band related. What remaining free time I have is divided between housework, spending time with my children, or reading.

This year my big goal is to make the school store accessible to all students and provide a variety of budget friendly items. The school store is open every morning from 7:45 to 8:00 so every student has an opportunity to visit the store and purchase items. I enjoy getting to talk with the kids and help them select their items. If your child has a special request for the school store let me know and I will see if we can add it to the inventory!

Meet Secretary & STEM Night Coordinator- Kathleen Swain

My name is Kathleen Swain, I'm the Secretary and STEM night coordinator for the NPE PTA. I have a son, Freddie, who is in 4th grade.

This is my second year as the Secretary and fourth year as STEM night coordinator. As Secretary, I have gotten to meet many wonderful members of the NPE PTA. Regarding STEM night, I have always loved science and math and getting the opportunity to continue that passion at the school in a small way is something that I am thankful for.



Around The School

Yearbook

Make sure to get your yearbook orders in! Families can only purchase yearbooks online. Last year we SOLD OUT and had no extras at all.



<https://www.balfour.com/texas/houston/north-pointe-elementary-school>

Do you have skate night photos? International Night?

Share them in ImageShare and they could be in the school yearbook!

Website: studio.balfour.com/ImageShare

Project Number: 310765 – No upload code is needed just leave it blank

You can also download the apps in the app store of your phone and upload from there too.

Don't forget to add PTA Texas Congress 1520 North Pointe Elementary PTA to your Amazon Smile! Every time you order, our PTA receives a donation from Amazon! Win-Win!

GT Information

From the CCISD Department of Advanced Academics & GT Program

Gifted & Talented Referral Process

More information [CLICK HERE](#)

TIMELINES

Parents and teachers may refer students for testing within the following timelines.

OCTOBER 1ST DEADLINE FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 1 - 12

DECEMBER 1ST DEADLINE FOR STUDENTS IN KINDERGARTEN KINDERGARTEN & 2ND GRADERS

ALL of kindergarten will be screened in the Fall, however if you would like to refer them you may do so before December 1st .

ALL 2nd graders will participate in a grade level administration of a cognitive abilities test during the fall semester so there is no need to refer them for testing.

HOW TO MAKE A REFERRAL

If you are interested in having your child tested this year, please email the Advanced Academics Specialist, Jean Neyland, at jneyland@ccisd.net . Please include your child's: Full Name, Homeroom Teacher, & Grade. Your child will not be able to be tested until all forms are returned.

School Store!

The NPE School Store is open daily from 7:45 – 8:10 and is stocked with a variety of school supplies and specialty items.

Students are invited to stop by on their way to class. We ask that students leave their backpacks in the hallway and enter the store with only their money.

There is a limit of 3 shoppers allowed inside the store at a time.

To make shopping easy for all students, items are arranged on shelves according to price. Prices begin at 25¢ and go up in quarter increments stopping at \$1.75.

The items available for purchase change weekly as items sell out and new merchandise arrives. We are trying out something new this year - **Student PTA members will have the opportunity to help select items to sell in our school store!** If your child is a PTA member, they will be receiving an invitation in the next few weeks

Here is a sampling of items available for purchase:

- 25¢ - assorted pencils, donut scented erasers, pencil bags
- 50¢ - dry erase markers, puzzle erasers, Dog Man erasers, laptop stickers, scented bookmarks, folders, pencil grips
- 75¢ - Dog Man 3D erasers, bendy pencils, scented highlighters, pop-a-point pencils, scented kneaded erasers
- \$1 - dual pencil sharpener/eraser, color changing pens, glow in the dark kneaded erasers, pop-it bracelets
- \$1.25 - mash-up scented erasers, 6 color pens, maze pens, adorkable mechanical pencils, putty
- \$1.50 - Spy pens, pop-it fidget spinners, earbuds, 3 pack notepads
- \$1.75 - paint brush pens