



The Hoot Owl

April 2018

April has arrived! We have a lot going on at school so please make sure you mark the dates!

- * **Dress Code** – As the weather starts to warm up, please re view the student dress code on page 33 at the link be low. Take time to check those shorts that used to fit in the fall because our students have grown since then. They might be too short for the spring.

<https://www.conroeisd.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/17-18-Elementary-Handbook-WEB.pdf>

- **The 2018-2019 school year calendar has been approved. See it here:** <http://www.conroeisd.net/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/2018-19CISDCalendar.pdf>
- **April 10 - STAAR Writing** - Fourth grade students will be taking the state mandated STAAR writing test on Tuesday, April 10. **That day is a closed campus for ORE.** Parents will not be allowed to have lunch with students that day in order to provide a secure testing environment for our students.
- **ExpLOREatorium (previously Spring Garden Night)** - This is a great evening of fun! Many science and math activities will be available for hands on learning as well as great fun provided by the PTO. Food trucks, silent auction and a mini-show will be a few of the PTO sponsored events. Come out and enjoy a fun evening of learning with your family!
- **PTO Officers for 18-19** - PTO is in need of officers for the 2018-19 school year. Included in this email is more information about each position. Please consider volunteering!
- **PK/Kinder Round Up** - Spread the word! Round Up is here! Go online and register for PK/Kinder now! <https://secure.infosnap.com/family/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2ffamily%2fdirection.aspx>

Upcoming Dates...

- 4/6 - Kindergarten Grad Pics
- 4/10 - STAAR Writing - 4th grade
- 4/12 - Spring Garden Night
- 4/20 - PTO Meeting @ 8:30 am
- 4/26 - Second grade program @ 6:30 p.m.
- 5/8 - PTO Spirit Night @ Chick Fil A
- 5/14 - STAAR Math (3rd & 4th)
- 5/15 - STAAR Reading

End of year dates to know:

- 5/25 - Fun day
- 5/29 - 1st, 2nd, 3rd grade end of year celebrations
- 5/30 - Kindergarten Graduation
- 5/31 - Fourth graduation

Attendance!

Our overall attendance has taken a hit during flu season. Please help us recover by having your child at school every day they are not sick!

SPRING BOOK FAIR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We need volunteers...we need YOU!! Please use this link to sign up and get ready for a fun and rewarding experience.

<https://volunteer.scholastic.com/#/experience/signup/qCH0c0IKv>

CISD requires all volunteers to complete a Volunteer Application. If you have not already completed one, please follow the link below and complete the volunteer application.

<https://www.conroeisd.net/parents/get-involved/>



CAR RIDER NOTES

***If your child is a car rider in the morning...**

- Please drive through the line and drop your child off in the line.
- If you need to walk your child, you must park in an approved parking spot and walk your child to the door.
- Children **may not** walk from the parking lot.
- Tardy time is 8:06 a.m.



***If your child is a car rider in the afternoon...**

- Please join the car rider line from Oak Ridge School road, between Salt grass and the hotel. (If you are not the pick up person, please share this information with them.)
- Refrain from using your cell phone in the line as this is a no cell phone zone.

THANK YOU FOR FOLLOWING THESE RULES TO KEEP ALL STUDENTS SAFE!

Conroe Independent School District Prekindergarten & Kindergarten Round-Up 2018-2019 April 2-6, 2018

Student Registration will be done online at: <http://www.conroeisd.net> under the Parents/Students tab and select Enrollment & Transfers. Once in Enrollment & Transfers, select the "New Student Registration" tab. You can create your account to begin. Please make sure you click "Submit" once you have completed the online registration. After submitting your registration, please bring all supporting documentation to the campus during registration hours.

Kindergarten registration for children who are 5 years old on or before September 1, 2018 will take place at your neighborhood school.

PreK registration for eligible 4-year olds will take place at this time at the elementary campus for which they are zoned. The child must be 4 years old on or before September 1, 2018 to meet eligibility requirements.

If you are unsure of the campus your child should attend,

you may call the:
Conroe ISD
PEIMS Department
936-709-7612
936-709-7663

Or check the CISD website:
www.conroeisd.net
Under the listing
"Find Your
Neighborhood School"

To be eligible for PreK, a student must meet one of the following criteria:

- Unable to speak and comprehend the English language
- Educationally Disadvantaged (eligible for the national free or reduced-priced lunch)
- Dependent of the United States Armed Forces, member of the National Guard, or member of the Reserves who are currently on active duty or who were injured or lost his/her life on active duty
- Homeless
- In or has been in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services

Requirements for registration:

Birth Certificate - Kindergarten students must be at least 5 years old on or before September 1, 2018 to attend kindergarten.

PreK students must be at least 4 years old on or before September 1, 2018.

Proof of Residence - A current utility bill with parent / guardian's name and address.

Proof of Guardianship

Child's Social Security Card

Immunization Records

- **Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis** - A minimum of four doses with the fourth dose given on or after the fourth birthday
- **Polio/Poliomyelitis** - A minimum of three doses with the third dose given on or after the fourth birthday
- **Hepatitis A** - A minimum of two doses with the first dose given on or after the first birthday
- **Hepatitis B** - A minimum of three doses
- **MMR (Measles, Mumps & Rubella)** - Two doses with the first dose given on or after the first birthday
- **Varicella (Chicken Pox)** - Two doses with the first dose given on or after the first birthday Or validation that the student had the disease

PreK students are required two immunization series not required for kindergarten or beyond.

- **Hib** - Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine
- **PCV** - Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine

Proof of immunization will be required to enroll.

A well-visit exam is recommended before enrollment.



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Join the Cast of the ORE production of
The PTO Executive Board
Are You Ready for a Starring Role?

No production would be complete without it's behind the scenes crew, support and financial backing, but without the producer, director, screenwriter and casting director, the film wouldn't even get off the ground! Our PTO Executive Board is much like a film production in that way. We work together to diligently insure that the ORE staff and every student get the support they need. Through financial help, input and advice, marketing and communications and school spirit events, we work to make every students experience at Oak Ridge Elementary School the best it can be!



It's Nominee Time! What part would you like to play?

- Are you a born leader?
- Are you great with fundraising ideas?
- Are you a numbers whiz with a love of budgets?
- Are you a communications and marketing guru?
- Do you like to write and document progress?
- Are you a real 'people person' who seems to know everyone?
- Are you a good recruiter?
- Do you have a passion for The Arts?
- Are you great at entertaining and planning parties?

Whatever your talent, we have a role for you!

Although the start of the new production (the next school calendar year) may seem like many months away, it's the current board's obligation to help form an Executive Board for the next year. **And the process starts NOW!** This year's Board members are moving up to a new production, so we'll be starting with a fresh cast for next year.

Isn't it time for you to have a big role in your child's school experience?

It's not a full time gig. Depending on what part you play, the time required of your talents can vary from occasional special appearances, to once a week on the set, to sporadic big scenes.

To read the script for a role, please turn the page over. All nominations are due by April 3, 2017. Forms may be turned in at the front office or with your child's teacher!

No more waiting in the wings!
This is your year to take the spotlight!

Cast Descriptions

President – Serve as leader and key contact for the PTO; preside at all PTO meetings; ex-officio member of most committees; appoint chairpersons for special committees; coordinate the work of the officers and committees so that the PTO's objectives can be met. (Effort: year-round, on-going)

Vice President - Act as an aide to the President; perform the duties of the President in the absence or inability of that officer to serve; assume other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Board; coordinate the general activities of any Special Committees created by the Executive Board. Ideally – is willing to serve as President in the future. (Effort: year-round, time varies depending upon roles)

Secretary - Keep the minutes of all general meetings and all meeting of the Executive Board; prepare correspondence and perform all other duties assigned; help recruit committee chairpersons for all vacant standing committees of the board; keep the calendar of events for the PTO. (Effort: 3-4 hours per month, includes attending meeting and typing up minutes)

Treasurer - Be responsible for and have custody of all funds; make disbursements as properly authorized; be present at all PTO events where money will be collected; assure that PTO policies and best practices are followed with regards to funds; prepare financial reports for each meeting and as needed; prepare the books for an annual audit. (Effort: 4-5 hours per month, average)

Parliamentarian – Act as a consultant to assure that meetings and processes are conducted in accordance with bylaws; advise on parliamentary procedures using Robert's Rules of Order; bring current By-Laws to all meetings. (Effort: 2 hours per month)

Volunteer Coordinator - Coordinates volunteers for PTO events and school activities. Collect list of general volunteers at beginning of year and for special events. Assure that volunteer data is recorded and available to the Board. Work with teachers, staff, and leaders of committees to assure volunteers are recruited for programs. (Effort: on-going, year-round; time peaks with a few big events. Average: 3 hours per month; could range from 0 to 8 hours per month during major events.)

Board Member at Large – Supports and helps executive board in planning events and programs throughout the school year. You are also asked to serve as a committee chair for one of the many events that we have. (Effort: 2-3 hours per month, varies with committee selection)

Ballot

Yes, I am interested in making a difference at ORE by serving on the PTO Board!
I would like to be considered for the following position(s):

Name: _____

Student Name: _____ Grade in 2018-19 _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Position(s) _____

We also need volunteers to be a committee chair for the following committees:

Fall Fundraiser _____

Spring Fundraiser _____

Box Tops _____

Spirit Nights _____

Teacher Appreciation _____

Pastries w/Parents _____

Secretaries Day _____

Fall Family Night _____

Go Texan BBQ for staff _____

Holiday Shop _____

**NOMINATION FORMS WILL BE DUE BY APRIL 6, 2018
FORMS CAN BE TURNED IN AT THE FRONT OFFICE OR WITH YOUR CHILD'S
TEACHER!**