

Dear Walker Families,

Welcome back to all returning families and a big WELCOME to all new families. I am so proud and honored to work with an amazing group of parents this year on the PTSA Board as President. We have added a couple chairs this year to truly represent the Walker Middle student population. We now have an ESE chair and a Student Representative position on our board to make sure we are doing everything we can to represent the needs of all of our students.

As the new school year begins, we would once again ask for your support so that we can continue making resources and learning opportunities available to our students and Walker staff. Your membership allows the PTSA to raise funds to provide a wide range of educational enrichment programs for the students. Money raised through PTSA membership and fundraisers helps to fund grants to improve the learning experience for our children, provide informative programs for our students and families, teacher appreciation, campus improvement and much, much more. Over the years, the PTSA has provided learning opportunities and social activities that may have otherwise been unavailable to our students.

For the PTSA to be effective and truly representative of the school, everyone's participation is essential. Many parents feel that they cannot participate in the PTSA because they cannot come to meetings or be on campus during the day. We want everyone to feel that they are part of the Walker PTSA Community. Whether you have 30 minutes or a couple of hours, your ideas, your time, your talents and simply your VOICE is truly needed. We can match your time constraints and interests to needed tasks. There are endless possibilities in ways you can help. Please contact us at walkerptsainfo@gmail.com to find out how you can be part of the solution.

Keep in mind that by volunteering at our school, you will get to enjoy interacting with the kids, become friends with other parents, and accomplish things that truly make a difference. What better way to show our kids how important their school is than by showing up. We have many ways in which Moms, Dads, Aunts, Uncles, Grandparents and Businesses can contribute to the Walker PTSA community. Research shows that students whose parents are involved in their education have better grades and fewer discipline problems. We promise that the time you give to the PTSA and the school will be worth your while—and fun! Please consider volunteering, it really does make a difference in the lives of all our students!

Please visit the Walker Middle PTSA website <http://walker.my-pts.org>

to keep updated on Walker PTSA happenings, purchase spirit wear and sign up for PTSA sponsored clubs and much, much, more! Check it out and let us know if you have any comments or suggestions.

We would like to thank you in advance for your support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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