

# ••• HOW DOES THE SACHEL FORD PTO ••• SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL? AND WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN THE PTO!

## SCHOOL EVENTS + FUNDRAISERS

*Raise money, foster parent involvement and create memories!*

- \*Fall Fundraiser
- \*Freaky Friday
- \*Boosterthon Fun Run
- \*Spirit nights at local restaurants
- \*Sweetheart Dance
- \*VIP Day
- \*School spirit merchandise sales
- \*Holiday ornament sales
- \*Neon Dance (5th grade)
- \*Mother-Son Night
- \*Farm to Table Dinner

## COMMITMENT TO THE ARTS

*Support arts education at Satchel Ford through Brave Arts.*

- \*Support grade-level performances
- \*Plan Art Celebration Month and invite guest performers
- \*Provide funding for the dance program, staff trainings and arts memberships
- \*Fund art murals and displays around the school
- \*Support choral and strings programs + artists in residence
- \*Funded a state-of-the-art lighting system for the performance stage
- \*Purchased dejembe drums for music classes

## SCHOOL UPGRADES

*Ensure a safe and updated environment to enhance learning.*

- \*New playground equipment
- \*Book vending machine
- \*Disc golf course for students and the community
- \*Hallway signage
- \*Books for classrooms
- \*Outdoor handwashing station
- \*Monarch butterfly waystation
- \*Planted heritage crops in the garden through the Richland County Soil Conservation Grant
- \*Support the disc golf, fitness bowl and unified teams
- \*Organize the annual Angel Tree during the holidays
- \*Courtyard beautification
- \*Murals in the cafeteria

## TEACHER/STAFF SUPPORT

*We love our teachers and staff and want them to be happy!*

- \*Monthly teacher lunches
- \*Classroom materials and books
- \*Valentine's Day Luncheon
- \*Science instructor salary
- \*Teacher Appreciation Week activities
- \*Support for homeroom parents
- \*Workroom assistance

## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

*Provide opportunities for extra learning outside the classroom.*

- \*Braves Buddies math tutoring
- \*Satchel Ford Farm – garden and chickens
- \*Food tastings from the garden
- \*Outdoor classroom
- \*Sensory garden
- \*New Family Open House events
- \*Field trip support

## FROM THE PTO PRESIDENT

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Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! I am excited to serve as the PTO president again this year, and I look forward to working with our parents, teachers and administration to make this a fantastic year for our students! My children are in kindergarten and 5th grade at Satchel Ford as well as 7th grade at Crayton and 9th grade at A.C. Flora. Satchel Ford has been a wonderful and nurturing educational environment where my children have thrived thanks to the support of our amazing teachers. My goal as president is to continue to provide the tools necessary for the teachers and staff to enrich our children's educational experience.

To be a successful school, we need your support! Research shows that when parents are involved, children do better in school. I hope that you'll join the PTO and volunteer at events. You'll make new friends and make a difference! I look forward to meeting you!

Lauren Hudgens  
PTO President 2022-2023



**THE SACHEL FORD PTO NEEDS YOUR HELP TO CONTINUE  
PROVIDING IMPORTANT SUPPORT FOR OUR SCHOOL. JOIN TODAY!  
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