E. Rivers PTA Committees 2022-2023

Arts - Work with the Art and Music teachers to coordinate Art night in the Spring.

Bake Sale - Assist with collection, item pricing, set-up and staffing of bake sale at the Tree Sale

Black History Month - Work with the school to plan and coordinate events for Black History Month.

Book Fair – Work with Media Specialist and help decorate, set up and staff this Fall fundraiser.

PTA Fundraiser - Work with the PTA Executive team to choose and facilitate school wide fundraisers (in the past has been a catalog fundraiser like Boon or wrapping paper).

BP/Spirit Night - Work with business partners to schedule and publicize spirit nights at local restaurants.

Brand Management - Support design and publication of communications for parents, community, PTA/EREF, Administration and Friends of E. Rivers Foundation; Graphic designers are also needed to assist the team.

Business Partners – Solicit partnerships with local businesses through spirit nights, banner advertisements, and donations.

Celebration of Learning - Coordinate with PTA leadership and school administration to plan, organize and execute this welcoming event for E. Rivers families that occurs in the days before school begins in the Fall.

Communications - Coordinate, edit and publish the weekly newsletter and coordinate communications efforts for the PTA.

Community Service – Assist with the organization of a variety of community service projects throughout the year that rely on student participation.

Concession Stand – Help staff and manage the booth during Fall/Spring weekend ball games on the E. Rivers field.

Family Picnics – Organize, set up and clean up the Fall and Spring picnics on the lower field.

5K Fall Run - Rivers Shivers - Coordinate Fall 5K with school and community including soliciting sponsors, working with vendors and publicizing event.

Fifth Grade Committee – Coordinate special events for 5th grade class, including field trips, visits to Sutton Middle School, 5th grade party and graduation celebration.

Fun Run – Assist with set up and clean up for this May event, as well as supervising students during the event.

Health and Wellness – Work with PE teachers on events to incorporate and educate students on proper nutrition and overall health. Help with fun events throughout the year.

Hispanic Heritage Month - Work with school to plan and coordinate events for Hispanic Heritage Month.

Kindergarten Kaleidoscope – Assist with annual event for new parents and their rising Kindergarteners.

Media Center - Work with the Media Center specialist to coordinate specific volunteer needs

Membership and Directory - Recruit members to join PTA, send membership information to National PTA, and deliver membership materials to new members; collect contact information and publish school directory.

Neighborhood Captains- Help promote school and PTA events within your own neighborhood via email and neighborhood communication outlets.

School Supplies - Coordinate back to school supply purchase option with parents and vendor

Spanish Translation – Translate PTA forms and communications into Spanish prior to dissemination. Assist with communication to Spanish-speaking families.

Special Needs Parent Support – Provide support to parents whose children receive special education services.

Spirit Apparel - Assist in generating ideas for marketing our school (decals, logo items, shirts, etc.). Help organize items, staff booth sales, receive orders, and assist with distribution.

S.T.E.A.M. Day - Coordinate activities for the S.T.E.A.M. Day to promote Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics.

Sutton Liaison – Coordinate visits to Sutton Middle School, and keep E. Rivers community aware of events happening at Sutton. Chairs should be either parents of Sutton students or parents of 5th graders.

Talent Show - Help the committee supervise students, coordinate acts, set up and clean up on the day of the show, and any other tasks related to the annual student show.

Teacher Appreciation – Work closely with room parents and volunteers to organize teacher and staff appreciation activities throughout the year, such as breakfasts or luncheons for teachers. Organizes Teacher Appreciation Week in the Spring.

Teacher Time Raffle – Winter. Work with teachers to create experiences students can win, coordinate volunteers throughout the week, and announce winners.

Tree Sale – Assist with marketing, set up and staffing tree lot for the sale during the first weekend of December.

Tours - Coordinate and facilitate school tours to prospective parents.

Veteran's Day - Work with the school, parents and community to coordinate the Fall event.

Volunteers - Work with the school and PTA to publicize specific volunteer needs and coordinates room parents.

Walk to School Day - Assist administration in planning and hosting Walk to School Days.

Yearbook - Work with school administration and student committee to develop, design, and promote yearbook.

Other ways to get involved:

Room Parent – Act as a liaison between the teacher and other parents to help with classroom activities, plan holiday parties, schedule classroom readers, assist on field trips, and coordinate teacher appreciation events. Some teachers may also recruit room parents to help in an academic capacity. (1-2 volunteers per classroom)

Classroom reader - Read stories to the class. Check with the room parent to find the schedule and availability.

Local School Council – Elected representatives who work to advocate for E. Rivers through facilities, school board policies, school improvement plans, and school-based and community services. Parents may run for vacant positions or join a committee.