## 50 Ways to be an Engaged Toomer Parent



- **1.** Get your child to school every day.
- 2. Discuss your child's school day and homework daily.
- **3.** Encourage your child to sign up for an extracurricular activity.
- **4.** Say hi to another parent at drop off or pick up.
- **5.** Follow Toomer PTA's Instagram account.
- **6.** Follow Toomer PTA's <u>Facebook page</u>.
- 7. Sign up for PTA emails.
- **8.** Read the <u>grade level and school-wide newsletters</u>.
- **9.** Sign up for your <u>classroom directory</u>.
- **10.** Read the <u>Toomer parent handbook</u>.
- **11.** Encourage your child to read/read to your child at night.
- **12.** Encourage your child to advocate and speak up for themselves.
- **13.** Provide a quiet place at home for studying/homework.
- **14.** Help set your child up for a good day by establishing a reasonable bedtime and getting them breakfast at home or at school.
- **15.** Get to know your child's friends' names.
- **16.** Celebrate your child's successes and/or accomplishments.
- **17.** Help foster independence in your child when and where you can.
- **18.** Monitor your child's screen time in a way that works best for your family.
- **19.** Set your child up with a lunch account or send them lunch from home.
- 20. Check Infinite Campus regularly to monitor academic progress.
- **21.** Learn the names of the teachers and staff at drop off in the morning.
- 22. Learn the name of your child's bus driver and say hello!
- **23.** Talk to neighbors and friends about the school and encourage them to attend a <u>"Let's Talk about Toomer" zoom panel.</u>
- **24.** Ask teachers/school staff to explain education jargon and acronyms-you're not the only one wondering!
- 25. Learn how school/district policies and practices affect your child.
- **26.** Learn about our <u>school board representatives</u> and participate in school board elections (we are in District #3)

- **27.** Establish regular communication with your child's teacher.
- 28. Get a Toomer yard sign by emailing the PTA at <a href="mailto:fatepta@gmail.com">fatepta@gmail.com</a>.
- **29.** Attend parent teacher conferences in the Fall and Spring.
- **30.** Attend a school performance or a family learning night.
- **31.** Volunteer at an event.
- **32.** Volunteer in your child's classroom.
- **33.** Speak at Career Day.
- **34.** Donate to fundraising efforts.
- **35.** Buy a Toomer t-shirt from the Spirit Store.
- **36.** Buy snacks for your child's classroom.
- **37.** Purchase an item off of the school's <u>Amazon Wish List</u>.
- **38.** Donate used items to the Uniform Closet.
- **39.** Have lunch with your child at school one day.
- **40.** Do an activity from Literacy Night or Math Night with your child.
- **41.** Attend a PTA Dine Out to meet other families/raise money for Toomer.
- **42.** Set up a meeting with your <u>child's teacher</u> to discuss concerns and/or ways to help them at home.
- **43.** Set up a meeting with the <u>school administration</u> to advocate for your child or for needed change.
- **44.** Set up a meeting with the <u>school counselor</u> to learn more about how to support your child's social and emotional learning.
- **45.** Sign up to be a room parent or ask your room parent how you can help.
- **46.** Chaperone a field trip with your child's class.
- **47.** Offer to sponsor an after-school club.
- **48.** Offer to be a resource/friendly face for a new Toomer parent.
- **49.** <u>Join the PTA and/or offer to chair a committee.</u>
- **50.** Run for a position on the <u>Toomer GO Team.</u>