

# Turn of River Middle School 2016-2017 PTO Overview



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# Welcome to the 2016-2017 School Year!

The TOR PTO is excited to welcome everyone to the 2016-2017 school year. There are so many great events and activities scheduled for our students and families.

Importantly, it's the many volunteers whose dedication, time and effort make our school successful.

We invite all families to support Turn of River Middle School. Donate your time, skills, supplies, money or simply attend our events.

Please take a look through this pamphlet and see what a great year we have planned. We welcome your ideas, suggestions, comments and questions.

It takes **Volunteers** to make these events happen. Please share your time and talents. Your presence strengthens our TOR community

- Call the school at 203-977-4284 to leave a message for PTO
- E-mail us at [tormiddleschool@gmail.com](mailto:tormiddleschool@gmail.com)
- Stay up to date. Visit the TOR website at [www.toronline.org](http://www.toronline.org)

# Money for TOR is Everywhere!

## You just need to know where to look!

Learn about the different ways you can support the TOR PTO by saving labels, linking shopping cards, and more!!

### Our school earns money every time you shop...

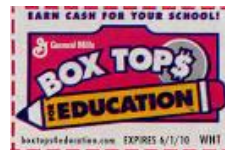


- **Stop and Shop A+ – [www.stopandshop.com/aplus](http://www.stopandshop.com/aplus)**  
register friends and family members cards too and identify TOR.
- **Target – [www.target.com/tcoe](http://www.target.com/tcoe)**



- **AmazonSmile [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com)**  
Access from your computer or mobile device select TOR and start your shopping and TOR will receive a percentage.

## Did you know?



**Box Tops for Education** TOR receives **10 cents** for each **box top label**. The collection box is located in the school office.

Visit [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com)  
for a complete list of eligible products.

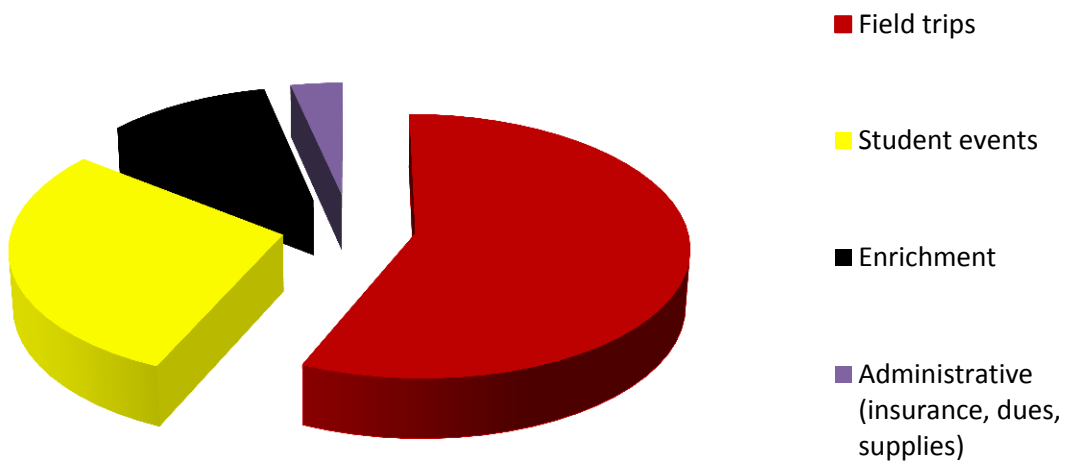
# PTO Fundraising

Families **Work Together** to raise money to enhance our students' education experience. All money raised by the TOR PTO goes directly toward programs and events that support each and every student.

## The TOR PTO proudly subsidizes the following for your child:

- Class Field Trips
- In-School "Field Trips"
- Soul Writers
- School Dances
- Enrichment programs
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Events
- Class picnics
- Field Day
- Family Nights
- Miscellaneous activities and more...

## Where the money goes?



# Ways YOU Can Support Our School!

- » **Volunteer your time** – assist at one of our many events. We coordinate various events throughout the year. Please give an hour or two of your time.
- » **Make a monetary donation** - (*see if your workplace participates in an employee match program and maximize your donation*) All donations are tax deductible as permitted by law. **If your schedule doesn't allow time for volunteering, or if you prefer not to participate in sales events, please consider making a monetary donation – no amount is too small.**
- » **Donate your services** – do you have a special skill that you would like to share with us? We'd love to hear about it!
- » **Attend our events** – simply by showing up (and having a good time) you are supporting our school!
- » **Attend PTO Meetings** – by attending and participating in the meetings you can lend your expertise in helping our fund-raisers and events succeed.
- » **Donate supplies** – paper goods, baked goods for events, office supplies, we accept all!

## Stay connected:

Sign up to receive our weekly *TOR PTO News and Events* via e-mail.

Return to your student's home room, school office or send an email to [tormiddleschool@gmail.com](mailto:tormiddleschool@gmail.com). Reference "eblast" or "volunteer" in subject line.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ HR: \_\_\_\_\_

Check here to receive Volunteer Participation e-mails: \_\_\_\_\_

# Special Events

## **6<sup>th</sup> Grade Ice Cream Social: September 7**

Meet and greet ice breaker for incoming students and families.

*Volunteer Opportunities: Set up, take tickets, sell spiritwear, help the students create super fun sundaes*

## **Photo Day: October 7 (retake: November 14)**

## **Titan Challenge: October 14 (raindate: October 21)**

Support our students as they collect donations, volunteer the day of the event.

## **Halloween Dance: October 28**

Help sell tickets during the week prior during lunch shifts, set up/break down gym for dance, chaperone, work the door or concession. Donate a gift card to raffle.

## **Multicultural Day: October 26**

Celebrate our school's diversity at this international festival, with presentations, performances, and delicious home-cooked delights showcasing the many cultures represented by our TOR families.

*Volunteer Opportunities: Set up tables, assist with setting up country displays, sell tickets at the door, sell concessions*

## **TOR's "Got Talent" – Staff and Student Talent Show – February 10**

Assist with coordination, rehearsals , concession or participate

## **March Madness: March 24, 2017**

*Volunteer Opportunities: Solicit donations, donate a raffle item, play basketball night of event, Sell tickets in advance or at the door, help with concessions.*

## **Spiritwear - (Ongoing)**

Help sell spiritwear monthly .Set up in cafeteria during lunch shifts or set up at various events.

**School Musical** – Coordinate, oversee or just assist with rehearsals, sets and show

**Band/Choir Parents (Ongoing)** - Assist with various shows and activities, set up etc.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance** – June 9, 2017

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Picnic** – June 15, 2017 (TBD)

**Our success depends on your assistance,  
We welcome your support, to volunteer for any of the above events.  
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| TOR 2016-17 Calendar |       |   | January         |       |  |
|----------------------|-------|---|-----------------|-------|--|
| <b>August</b>        |       |   | Tues.           | 3     | School Re-opens                          |
| TBD                  |       | PTO Board Meeting                           | Tues. - Tues.   | 3-31  | Superbowl Food Drive                     |
| Wed.                 | 31    | 6th Grade Orientation                       | Wed.            | 11    | PTO Meeting (evening)                    |
|                      |       |   | Wed.            | 11    | Literacy Family Night                    |
| <b>September</b>     |       |   | Mon.            | 16    | No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day   |
| Thurs.               | 1     | First Day of School for All - Regular Start | Wed.            | 25    | Early Release                            |
|                      |       |   | Wed.            | 25    | Community Hero's Breakfast - 8th Grade   |
| Mon.                 | 5     | No School - Labor Day                       | <b>February</b> |       |  |
| Wed.                 | 7     | 6th Grade Ice Cream Social                  | Thurs.          | 2     | Winter Concert                           |
| Wed.                 | 7     | Spiritwear on Sale (evening)                | Thurs           | 2     | Spiritwear on Sale (evening)             |
| Thurs.               | 8     | Performer's Picnic (Choral Kickoff)         | Tues.           | 7     | Winter concert (snow date)               |
| Wed.                 | 14    | PTO Meeting (morning)                       | Wed.            | 8     | PTO Meeting (morning)                    |
| Wed.                 | 28    | Early Release                               | Fri.            | 10    | TOR's Got Talent                         |
|                      |       |   | Thurs.          | 16    | No School Students- Winter Recess        |
| <b>October</b>       |       |   | Fri. - Tues     | 17-21 | No School - Winter Recess                |
| Mon. - Tues.         | 3- 4  | No School - Rosh Hashanah                   |                 |       |  |
| Fri.                 | 7     | School Photo Day                            | <b>March</b>    |       |  |
| Mon.                 | 10    | No School - Columbus Day                    | Wed.            | 8     | PTO Meeting (evening)                    |
| Wed.                 | 12    | No School - Yom Kippur                      | Fri.            | 24    | March Madness - Staff vs. Parents        |
| Thurs.               | 13    | PTO Meeting (evening)                       | Fri.            | 24    | Spiritwear on Sale (evening)             |
| Thurs.               | 13    | Middle School Open School Night             | Wed.            | 29    | Early Release                            |
| Fri.                 | 14    | TOR Titan Challenge                         | Fri.            | 31    | March Madness - (snow date)              |
| Fri.                 | 21    | (raindate) TOR Titan Challenge              |                 |       |  |
| Wed.                 | 26    | Early Release                               | <b>April</b>    |       |  |
| Wed.                 | 26    | Multicultural Day During School             | Mon. - Fri.     | 10-14 | No School - Spring Recess                |
| Fri.                 | 28    | Halloween Dance                             | Wed.            | 19    | PTO Meeting (morning)                    |
|                      |       |   | Tues.           | 25    | 6th Grade Concert                        |
| <b>November</b>      |       |   | Tues.           | 25    | Spiritwear on Sale (evening)             |
| Tues.                | 8     | No School for Students - Election Day       | Wed             | 26    | Early Release                            |
| Wed.                 | 9     | PTO Meeting (morning)                       | Wed             | 26    | Administrative Prof. Appreciation Day    |
| Wed.                 | 9     | Spiritwear on Sale (during lunch)           |                 |       |  |
| Thurs.               | 10    | Veteran's Day Breakfast - 8th Graders       | <b>May</b>      |       |  |
| Fri.                 | 11    | No School for Students - Veteran's Day      | Mon. - Fri.     | 1-5   | Staff Appreciation Week                  |
| Mon.                 | 14    | School Photo Retake and Makeup Day          | Sat.            | 6     | School Nurse Appreciation Day            |
| Mon.- Fri            | 14-18 | Thanksgiving Food Drive                     | Wed.            | 10    | PTO Meeting (evening)                    |
| Thurs.               | 17    | Math Family Night                           | Mon.            | 29    | No School - Memorial Day                 |
| Wed.                 | 23    | Early Release for Thanksgiving Recess       | Wed.            | 31    | Spring Concert and Art Show              |
| Thurs.- Fri.         | 24-25 | No School - Thanksgiving Recess             | Wed.            | 31    | Spiritwear on Sale (evening)             |
| Wed.                 | 30    | Early Release                               | Wed.            | 31    | Early Release                            |
|                      |       |   |                 |       |  |
| <b>December</b>      |       |   | <b>June</b>     |       |  |
| TBD                  |       | Holiday Gift Drive Begins                   | Fri.            | 2     | All School Field Day                     |
| Wed.                 | 7     | Spiritwear on Sale (during lunch)           | Fri.            | 9     | All School Field Day (rain date)         |
| Tues.                | 13    | PTO Meeting (morning)                       | Fri.            | 9     | 8th Grade Dance                          |
| Thurs.               | 15    | Holiday Concert                             | Wed.            | 15    | 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Picnic (Tentative) |
| Wed                  | 23    | Early Release                               | Wed.            | 15    | 8th Grade Awards Ceremony                |
| Mon.- Mon.           | 26-2  | No School - Holiday Recess                  | Thurs.          | 16    | 8th Grade Moving Up (Tentative)          |
|                      |       |   | Fri.            | 16    | Last Day of School (Tentative Date)      |

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**All Evening PTO Meetings will take place at TOR at evening meetings at 7:00 p.m.  
or morning meetings at 8:00 a.m. unless noted with prior notice.  
All are Welcome!**