

THE BUZZ

Your PTO investment yields a high return!

Why join PTO?

Connect School and Home

- Co-sponsors Get Connected Day (~1800 students attend)
- Publishes Student Directory (one free copy per membership)
- Publishes quarterly newsletter
- Coordinates volunteers – Dances, Programs Etc
- Provides feedback / serves as a resource for the school

Supplement Education

- Mini Grants – Funding Teacher's Classroom Ideas (25% of Budget)
- May Term Grants – Funding Teacher Led Programs (25% of Budget)
- Publishes Parent Survival Handbook
- Hosts forums to equip parents and students for success
- Partners with Student Council to provide student planners

Provide Hospitality

- Provides teacher appreciation meals during conferences
- Funds Edina Community Scholarship Breakfast
- Sponsors Academic Awards Ceremony
- Partially funds Graduation Ceremony



Students assemble lanterns created by using the laser engraver paired with a new portable ventilation system, allowing the unit to move to different areas and classrooms, exposing many more students to the possibilities of engineering.

“The EHS PLTW department appreciates all of the support. Without support, we would not be able to provide the interesting, exciting, and relevant engineering experiences for students.” Jodi Ramirez, PLTW (Project Lead the Way) teacher.



Countless studies show the influx of those moving to Edina do so because of the schools. The success of the Edina school system is nationally recognized. One of the most important assets our district has is the strength of our Edina community.

The mission of Edina High School Parent Teacher Organization (EHS PTO) is to support and enhance the educational programs at Edina High School (EHS) and to strengthen the relationship between home and school.

We provide a direct link between you, the parents, and the high school. Through our efforts we bring added service by way of volunteer support, event sponsorship, and informational forums. Additionally the PTO directly funds classroom needs at the high school to further enhance the level of education your child receives.

**Membership cost is \$35 per family.
Where else can a mere 20¢ per day make
such an impact???**

Your membership dollars are our only fundraiser. Are **you** a member? Encourage your friends to join!

Letter from the President

And we are off and running...

The PTO welcomed over 1800 students for Get Connected Day, a great success! Because of member support, the **EHS PTO has already been able to provide a light meal to teachers during the 8/27 Open House.**

Our General Meeting will be held Tuesday, September 29, 7pm. (see details below). We encourage you to join us! In addition, you are cordially invited to attend our regular PTO meetings which are held from 7:30-9am in Conference Room A at the High School. Dates: Nov 5, Dec 3, Jan 7, Feb 4, Mar 3, Apr 7, May 5. These meetings are a great way to find out what's up at the school!

Your support and generosity make our school a better place.
THANK YOU!!

Vivien Talghader



Upcoming events:

- **PTO General Meeting: YOU'RE INVITED!** Tuesday, September 29
(our only evening meeting of the year)

In addition to covering regular business, we are fortunate to have on the agenda two high school teachers. **PLTW teacher Jodi Ramirez** will give an overview of PLTW and the laser engraver ventilation system the PTO funded last year. **Science teacher Gavin McLeod** will provide an overview of the school's first forensics course and hopes to get parent feedback on the curriculum. 7pm EHS Community Room (near Fick Auditorium) ALL EHS PARENTS ARE WELCOME!

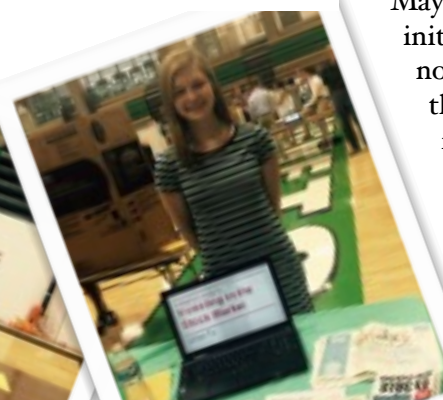
- **PTO Parent/Student Forum: High School Management 101:** Tuesday, October 27
Learn time management, stress management, and peer-pressure management techniques. Get answers to your questions about anxiety, depression, and ways to cope. 7pm EHS Fick Auditorium

- Join Edina PCN at their upcoming forums:

Catching Up with High Tech Kids
Monday, September 28, 7pm, SVMS

Gist: The Essence of Raising Life-Ready Kids
Monday, October 26, 7pm, EPAC

Donations gratefully accepted!



May Term, historically an initiative for Senior students, now offers all EHS students the opportunity to delve into intriguing topics, feed their passions, and go beyond the classroom with hands-on learning.

EHS PTO helps fund this extraordinary learning opportunity.

What will inspire your child to think outside the box?

Opportunities on the Hospitality Team

Each year the PTO sponsors several events to show appreciation to our teachers. This year our chair, Lynda Mader, and co-chair, Sigrid Redpath, will plan, purchase, and coordinate inventive meals for 3 sets of conferences, an end-of-year breakfast, and a holiday brunch. Additionally, in the spring we prepare and serve food at the Academic/Leadership Awards and the Scholarship Breakfast for students and parents. We would love to have an interested parent of an underclassmen join us for some or all of these events to be a part of the team & get an overview of the process. The time commitment is not great, and we have a lot of fun! We will also be looking for parents to help serve for each of the events, working in 2 hour shifts. These opportunities will be available on a Sign-up Genius as they come up. Please consider joining us! It is a great way to get to know other parents and do something nice for the great staff at EHS! Questions? Please call Sigrid Redpath at 952-484-8930.

Go Green!

Edina schools have recommitted to environmental awareness and sustainability issues across the District. We continue to be assisted in these efforts by grants from Hennepin County. In addition to Go Green Coordinators at each site, there is a district-wide [Go Green](#) committee, consisting of staff, students, parents and community members. This group meets regularly and grows best practices relating to the energy and resources we consume, the waste we produce, the natural resources on school grounds, and educating the community. The Go Green Coordinator for Edina High School is Melissa Seeley. If you have any questions or concerns about green practices at the high school, please email her at msee10@me.com.

Did you miss Get Connected Day?

We missed you!

Join our team and be a part of ALL the great ways we support EHS students.

We will be handing out the Parent Survival Handbook to new members at the September 29 General Meeting

Can't make it? [Join here](#).

Scholarships available

