



Welcome 2018-2019 School Year

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Dear FRES Families,

Foskett Ranch Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization (FRES PTO) would like to welcome you to the 2018-2019 school year! We are so excited to meet all of our new families and get to know all our returning families even better. The PTO is a group of hardworking parents and staff members who work together for the same common goal: to organize fundraising activities and events to raise funds for the improvement and enrichment needs of the students and staff at Foskett Ranch Elementary School.

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This year we have a goal of raising over \$30,000 to help provide additional technology for the classroom, books for the library, various assemblies throughout the year, and events and programs to enhance our students' education experience. We are looking forward to a great year filled with wonderful events and school community building activities to support our kids and teachers so they can continue to attain excellence in education. Children and staff were so excited about the APEX Fun Run last year, that we have invited them back to our school this year. This will be a fun activity and fundraiser! Be sure to look for more information about the event in the spring – or come to a meeting to find out more.

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Everyone is welcome to our monthly meetings! Our PTO meetings will be held on the 1st Tuesday of the month alternating 2:55-4:00 pm one month and 6:30-7:30 the next month in the FRES conference room. Free babysitting for potty-trained children is also provided. At our first PTO meeting this year on September 4, 2018 2:55 pm in the FRES conference room, we will review and approve the budget and events for the year- join us! It has been said that the number one reason parents don't join the PTO is because no one has asked...well, we are asking!! Please join us (it's free) and invite your friends as well. Together we can succeed in making this the best year yet for our children and staff.

If you can't join us at our PTO meetings there are many other ways to participate. Just let us know your interest, and we will work with you to find a way for you contribute in a meaningful way that fits your schedule. PLEASE EMAIL US AT ptofres@yahoo.com

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Studies have shown that a child with parental involvement in his/her education and school experience is a more successful student. By getting involved at home and school, children perform better: grades are higher, test scores rise, and self-esteem grows. And when students improve, schools improve. Parental involvement is the gift that keeps on giving! FRES PTO funds and organizes many of the opportunities and events that you see around campus. But we can't do it alone. Your support not only enhances your child's experiences at our school, but it is also what helps make Foskett Ranch the high-quality learning environment that it is and creates the desirable community in which your child is able to thrive.

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We also have a FRES App just for our school. It is the best way to see event details, receive reminders, contact us, report absences, and so much more. Please go to your app store and download it today, if you haven't done so already. You can find it in the app store under, "Foskett Ranch Elementary." If you would like a business tax write-off you can be one of our app sponsors! Contact us for details. Additionally, there is an unofficial "Parents of Foskett Ranch Elementary" Facebook group where many updates, volunteer requests, and helpful questions are answered.

On behalf of the FRES PTO 2018-2019 board, we all wish you an amazing year and look forward to working with you to create an amazing student experience. We hope to see you soon at a meeting or event!

Sincerely,
YOUR 2018-2019 FRES PTO BOARD

Tiffany Butler, Shannon Sordahl, Jan Bedwell, Hiedi Bachmann, Yaeko Estrada, and Kelly Castillo

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