

2025-2026 Connors PTO Committees

Thank you for your interest in Connors PTO Committees for the 2025-2026 school year. Please review this document to learn about all our committees or click on the name of a specific committee in the list below to jump directly to that section. Please add your name and information to the committee(s) you would like to be a part of. A Connors PTO Officer will reach out to you with next steps. In the meantime, email Connors PTO@gmail.com with any questions.

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- Halloween
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- <u>5th Grade Festivities</u> (for 5th grade parents)
- Community Service/Green
- Staff Appreciation
- Fundraising

Fall Festival

Help plan/execute the annual Connors Back-to-School Fall Festival scheduled for September 21 (rain date: October 5). This includes some planning time over the summer, reaching out/securing donations for raffle, and event prep/execution with heavy focus on 1 week leading up to the event and the event itself. Help secure/manage volunteers as well.

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Halloween

Help plan/execute the Frightfully Free Costume Frenzy (our free costume shop for Connors families) as well as the annual Halloween Dance (K-5 nighttime costume party) including event prep/planning, securing/managing volunteers, setup and event help.

Halloween Costume Shop will take place October 15th + October 24th from 2:30-5:30 pm Halloween Dance is the evening of 10/30. Day of help is required.

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Bingo Night

Help to plan/execute Connors Family Bingo Night on January 29 including event prep + planning, securing + managing volunteers, and day-of/on-site leadership. Planning will take place mostly in December + January with heavy focus on the week leading up to event.

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Scholastic Book Fair

Relive your school days and introduce the joy of reading to more students. The Fair takes place during Read Across America Week (3/2-3/6), so you'll need to be available that week and have time surrounding it to help with the below.

- Help plan and promote the fair
- Coordinate special activations at the fair (e.g., swag sale, hot cocoa giveaway)
- Help set up, if possible (Friday afternoon before the fair opens)
- Help secure and coordinate with volunteers
- Be on-hand to work after-school shifts at the fair including "opening" and "closing"
- Help field questions, manage eWallets, and place staff orders as needed

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Parent + Staff Basketball Game

Help to plan/execute the annual Connors Parents/Staff Basketball Game TBD date in winter/spring 2026 at Hoboken HS). Planning will be mostly concentrated 4-6 weeks in advance, with heavy focus on 2 weeks leading up to the event. Must be available on the day of the event!

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Field Day

Field Day 2026 is scheduled for May 29 (rain date: June 12).

Together with the PTO Officers, help to plan and execute Connors Field Day including prepping activities and materials, managing volunteers, and day-of/on-site leadership. Planning will mostly take place in April/May 2025 with heavy focus on 2 weeks leading up to the event.

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Kindergarten Moving Up

This committee needs to have 1-2 leads to oversee everything / liaise with PTO + administration / manage budget / help execute overall and then a bunch of members who will help with all the efforts (or can divide up as needed). The focus of the committee is to plan and execute all Kindergarten end-of-year celebrations in conjunction with the PTO and K teachers including: Moving up ceremony decor, refreshments, flowers, setup, cleanup; end-of-year books and gifts for students; other misc Kindergarten festivities. *The PTO Officers will provide budget and guidance, but this committee will largely work independently.*

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5th Grade Festivities

Plan and execute all 5th grade end-of-year celebrations (list below). Each person on the committee will work on at least 1 item below. Additional volunteers can then help as needed (whether on committee or not). The PTO Officers will provide budget, guidance, and approvals, but this committee will need to operate independently for the most part.

- 1. 5th Grade Trip + Lunch
- 2. 5th Grade Game Night (with other PTOs)
- 3. 5th Grade Dance (with other PTOs)
- 4. Moving Up Ceremony decorations/flowers/refreshments (procurement, setup and cleanup)
- 5. Yearbook Signing Party (refreshments)
- 6. 5th grade specific fundraising efforts

Note: This committee will have 1-2 leads to oversee the committee / liaise with administration / manage budget / help ensure on-time execution.

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Community Service/Green Team

Help coordinate existing projects (e.g., drives for the Hoboken Shelter and Hoboken Food Pantry, Thanksgiving Care Baskets, Earth Day) + ideate new opportunities in the community service / green areas.

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Staff Appreciation

Help plan and execute a variety of faculty appreciation and support efforts (Staff Appreciation Week in May, holiday activities in December, faculty lounge support, monthly Treat Trolley, etc.). Each committee member can oversee one of these aspects, though all committee members will work on Staff Appreciation Week.

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Fundraising

Work with the PTO Officers to:

- Help with sourcing and running raffles throughout the year
- Help ideate / organize standalone fundraising event(s) as needed
- Maintain and promote existing "passive" fundraisers (Mabels Labels, Raise Right, etc.)
- Set up new and worthwhile "passive" fundraisers

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