

# **WELCOME TO NEELY TRADITIONAL ACADEMY**

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**PARENT TEACHER  
ORGANIZATION (PTO)  
INFORMATION PACKET  
2017-2018**

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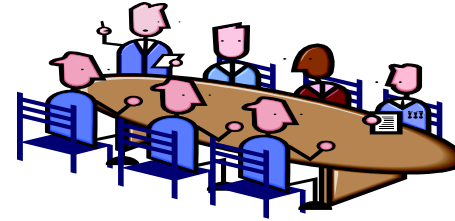
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## I. PTO BOARD MEMBERS

The PTO Board is listed below for 2017-18. Here are the members and contact information.

Bookmark [www.NeelyPTO.org](http://www.NeelyPTO.org) and check us out!

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For updates on upcoming events “Like” the Neely Traditional Academy PTO on Facebook at

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Neely-Traditional-Academy-PTO-Neely-Knights/286945963838?fref=ts>

[Join the PTO for \\$15 – see attached form or pick one up in the front office!](#)

## II. School Spirit Day – Every Friday!!!

Show your Spirit! Every Friday, wear your Neely Knights T-Shirt (available for \$14) or wear Neely colors (Royal Blue & Silver/Grey) and help your class win the weekly School Spirit Count Contest!! A count is taken in each classroom and submitted to the front office every Friday. The winning class is announced every Friday afternoon.

**K-3<sup>rd</sup> grades** compete for the “Mike the Knight”! The class with the most participation gets to keep the Knight in their classroom for the next week.

**4<sup>th</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> grades** compete for the Neely Knight! The class with the most participation gets to keep the Knight in their classroom for the next week.

**To purchase a Neely Knight T-shirt, see [www.neelypto.org](http://www.neelypto.org) to order or pick up a form in the front office.**



## III. Fundraising Overview

At Neely, we have several passive and active fundraisers throughout the year. We do not participate in cookie dough or wrapping paper sales, so you will not receive those fundraising obligations.

**We need 25-100 volunteers for each event to make it a successful PTO event. Contact anyone in the PTO to sign up and get involved.**

We have 3 types of fundraisers:

1. Kid/Family Events – Spring Carnival, Kids Night Out, etc.
2. Restaurant Dining /School Spirit Nights
3. Passive Fundraisers

All the money we raise goes toward the purchase and/or maintenance of items for the classroom. Some examples are:

- Projectors – new and maintenance
- PE equipment (balls, jump ropes, etc)
- Library Materials
- Art/Science materials/STEM
- Smartboards/tablets/Other Technology



## A. Neely Events Season Pass



The Neely Events Season Pass can be purchased for a **limited time**. This is a donation to the PTO for attendance to all listed Events at a discount. It is considered a donation and is nonrefundable. If you wish to make your donation to the school the basic pass will cover attendance to many events along with the Paper and Supply Drives.

An **Upgraded Season Pass** is also available which includes a reserved ticket to the Sweetheart Dance. This event is one that sells out every time so reserve your ticket now by buying a Neely Events Season Pass Upgrade. Again, there are a **limited number** of these available and only for a limited time.

**Basic Includes:** 2 Kids Night Outs, \$4 Fall Picnic, Fall Paper Drive, \$2 Evening of the Arts, 1 Spring Carnival Wristband, 5 Spring Carnival Tickets, Spring Supply Drive

**Upgrade Includes:** Basic Events, Plus Sweetheart Dance

You can order these at [www.Neelypto.org](http://www.Neelypto.org) or pick up an order form in the front office.

### Neely Events Season Pass Prices

**Basic 1<sup>st</sup> Child** (Value \$72) Price **\$65**

**Basic additional Child** (Value \$60) Price **\$53**

**Upgraded 1<sup>st</sup> Child** (Value \$97) Price **\$90**

**Upgraded additional Child** (Value \$72) Price **\$65**

## B. Kid/Family Event Details

**Fall Picnic** (\$5 Family) Come meet and mingle with the wonderful families at Neely. Bring your own picnic blanket and dinner or we will have a food truck(cash only) available for you to purchase dinner from that evening and enjoy a movie! Bake sale items, popcorn, snacks, and drinks will be sold. A responsible adult **must** attend with the student.

**Spring Carnival** We are holding our **Fabulous Carnival** again this year. Wristbands(\$15 per child 4+/max 3 per family additional are complimentary for family members only) will be available for presale and the day of the event for participating in carnival activities. Parents **must** attend with students. Raffle Tickets(\$1/ticket or Bundle \$20/25) will be available for presale and the day of the event (\$1/ticket) for a chance to win a classroom basket. As a parent, you will be asked to contribute towards a classroom basket. The basket will be raffled off during a drawing at the end of the night. A responsible adult **must** attend with the student.

**Kids Night Out (KNO)**(\$18/ add'l \$12) We will have 3 KNO events this year. This is an opportunity for the kids to spend some fun time playing games, eating pizza, and watching a movie with friends at school. This also gives parents an opportunity for some kid-free time.

**Evening of the Arts** (Free)– come view your child’s artwork on display; cookies and hot chocolate will be sold. A responsible adult **must** attend with the student.

**Sweetheart Dance** (\$25/add'l \$12)– Father/Parent-Daughter dance held in February. A responsible adult **must** attend with the student.

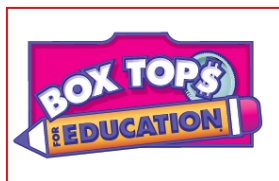
**Ice Cream Social** – yearbook signing party that includes 1 free ice cream treat per Neely student, held in May. Additional treats can be purchased. A responsible adult **must** attend with the student.

We are offering **Volunteer Discounts** to those who are in need or willing and able to help. This request must be **submitted early** to be selected at random. You will be contacted if you are selected. The Events Calendar states discounts and which events are offered at a discount.

### C. Restaurant School Spirit Nights

The school will receive a percentage of your purchase from select restaurants on a given night. This is an opportunity to gather with friends and other families this year. Come join us for these fun nights! [Restaurant participation and dates are posted on our website at \[www.neelypto.org/calendar\]\(http://www.neelypto.org/calendar\).](#)

### D. Passive Fundraisers



- **Box Tops** – collect these labels from qualifying products. Turn them into the school for redemption. We get money for each valid Box Top that is properly cut and bagged or taped to a paper. These small items add up to huge donations to our school!
- **Amazon SMILE** - When making an Amazon purchase you can log on to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and shop for the same items, however, when you select Neely Traditional Academy we get a percentage of the all of your purchases as a donation to our school. The products don't cost anymore than on the [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) site.

- **Shoparoo** – Download the app, snap a photo of your receipt and you can help the school earn free money.
- **Fry's Grocery Store** – starting August 1, 2017. Did you know that Fry's will PAY US when you shop? Link your VIP card and your online account to Neely by searching Fry's Community Rewards and selecting Neely.
- **Costco Night** - Costco opens their doors after hours on one Saturday to benefit our school. When you shop, Costco will donate paper to Neely. This can add up to hundreds of reams!
- **Clothing Drive** – We do 2 Clothing Drives a Year, one in the Fall and one in the Spring. For every donation you drop off we get paid. Sunshine Acres is a wonderful cause which helps those who are in difficult circumstances.
- **Pogo Pass** - Pogo Pass offers discounts around town for activities. Neely gets a discounted rate for each pass sold and we get a portion back in donations to our school. Promo Code: Neely
- **Tuft & Needle** - We get a 25% donation when you purchase a mattress with Tuft & Needle.
- **Harkins** - Offers refillable drink cups, Popcorn shirts, and Summer Movies and we get a portion of the sales.

#### IV. PTO Events Calendar

**August 4** – Fry’s Initiative Link your VIP card

**August 10** – PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30pm Neely Library **August 15-**  
Bahama Bucks\* @Cooper & Warner 3:30-9pm

**August 22** – Room Parent Meeting 8:45am

**August 30** – Clothing Drive from 8:00am until 2:45pm

**September 8** – Fall Kid’s Night Out \*\*\$18- 1<sup>st</sup> child/\$12  
additional children (Parents who volunteer get an \$8 refund for  
helping.)

**September 9** – Costco Night You shop, we get paper for school!  
@Baseline and Country Club

**September 12** - Red Robin\* @San Tan Village (Date may change)

**September 14** – PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30pm Neely Library or  
watch live stream

**October 5**– PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30pm Neely Library or watch  
live stream

**October 20**- Fall Picnic @Neely Field \$5 per family you can bring  
your own food or purchase from a food truck with snacks, treats,  
water, and soda for sale.

**November 7-9**- Paper Drive- Donate reams of paper to win

**November 9** – PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30pm Neely Library or watch  
live stream

**November 20-22** -Barros Pizza Night\* @Baseline & Gilbert

**December 8** – Winter Kids Night Out \*\*\$18- 1<sup>st</sup> child/\$12  
additional children (Parents who volunteer get an \$8 refund that  
night for helping.)

**December 12**- Chipotle\* @Dana Park 4-9pm

\*For all Restaurant Nights tell them you are from  
Neely.

\*\*If you are interested in the Volunteer discount,  
please sign-up early. Volunteers will be chosen at  
random and contacted by the PTO if selected.

#### PTO Events Calendar, cont.

**January 11**– PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30pm Neely Library or watch  
live stream

**January 19**- Evening of the Arts and Talent Show Free entrance  
with snacks and Hot Chocolate available for purchase, donation  
at the door for Talent Show entrance.

**February 8** – PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30pm Neely Library or watch  
live stream

**February 9** – Sweetheart Dance \$25- 1<sup>st</sup> Daughter with Dad/\$12  
for additional Daughters. (Parents who volunteer will get an  
Extra Photo/Jump the line pass)

**March 2** – Spring Carnival \$15 per child wristband, see event  
details if you need more than 3. Tickets are \$1 each and used for  
food, snacks, drinks, and raffles. (Volunteers will get 10 tickets  
for Day of Help and Raffle Basket Assembly, must sign up for  
credit)

**March 8**- PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30pm Neely Library or watch live  
stream

**March 21** – Clothing Drive from 7:30 am until 3:15pm

**April 12** – PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30pm Neely Library

**April 26-29** – Supply Drive Time to replenish those supplies for  
your teacher.

**April 27** – Kids Night Out \*\*\$18- 1<sup>st</sup> child/\$12 additional  
children (Parents who volunteer get an \$8 refund that night for  
helping.)

**May 10** – PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30pm Neely Library

**May 18** – Ice Cream Social/Yearbook Signing First Ice Cream  
Treat is Free with \$.50 for each additional.

**Dairy Queen Nights** after Grade Level Performances,  
and Band & String Concerts. Say you are from Neely.