



# Greenforest-McCalep Christian Academy

## Parent Teacher Organization

2023-2024

Dear Parents and Teachers:

PTO  
Executive Board

On behalf of the Greenforest-McCalep Christian Academy Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Executive Board, we would like to welcome all new and returning parents, teachers, students, and administrators to an extraordinary 2023-2024 school year! Our school's theme this year is "Soaring to New Heights" and we are excited about soaring to the highest heights at Greenforest.

Crystal R Quetel  
President

The purpose of the Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) is to promote the Greenforest-McCalep Christian Academy through the organized efforts and activities of the student families and teacher body. The PTO provides volunteer services to enrich the overall life of the school community and generates funds that provide enhancements beyond the school budget.

Zuri Williams  
Vice President  
High School

In our efforts to strive for excellence for our children, all our families join the PTO through the first tuition payment as it is a requirement of each family enrolled at The Forest. More important than your dollars, the strength of our school community is built upon the volunteer participation of all its members.

Antoinette Carnahan  
Vice President  
Middle School

Membership is not limited to moms and dads - it is open to grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, or anyone in the community whose child or teacher would benefit from your service. PTO meetings are typically monthly on the first Thursday. Membership dues are as follows:

Student Families via Tuition	\$25
Grandparents or other Family Member	\$15
Teachers and Administrators	\$15

Natalie Jones  
Vice President  
Lower School

Our mission is to establish and nurture a close relationship between the parents, teachers, students and the administration to help provide the best tools to empower our children and our school for success.

Shere Williams  
Treasurer

Why should you join the PTO?

- It is a demonstration of an interest in your child's education and school
- Statistics show that children whose parents and/or extended family are actively involved in their school perform better in school
- It offers parents the opportunity to discuss and prioritize ideas which would contribute positively to the school
- It provides access to relevant information on a regular basis via emails, the PTO link on the school's website, and PTO meetings so parents and teachers TOGETHER can stay informed and able to respond to school concerns and activities in a timely manner.

Erica Macey  
Secretary

In the past, the PTO supported many events and activities financially and through volunteerism. Using the momentum from Grandparent's Day, this school year, we are looking forward to:

- Teacher Appreciation Days
- Parent Appreciation Days
- Field Day
- Re-establishing Homecoming

- Career Days
- The Athletic Department & Banquets
- The Music Department
- The Red and White Ball – Jr/Sr Dance
- The Green and Gold Gala
- Valentine’s Day Candy-Grams
- The Yearbook
- Teacher/Admin Supplies/Wish Lists
- Teacher/Administrators Orientation
- Graduation/Honor’s Day Celebrations
- Parent Chapel
- Alumnae Chapel

Just to name a few!

In addition, the PTO would like be able to support:

- Improving and upgrading technology;
- Upgrading facilities and beautifying our campus; and
- Fostering a stronger cohesive Biblical community.

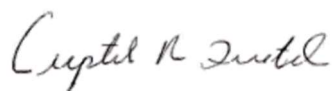
As you can see, the Greenforest PTO can be a major contributor to campus life at The Forest. Various ongoing and seasonal fundraising campaigns are key to our continued success. are also strong participants in the Box Tops for Education program and hope to collect the most Box Tops ever this school year. Other PTO fundraising opportunities include:

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| • Publix Partners                  | • PTO Uniform Store |
| • Kroger Community Rewards Program | • Casual Days       |
| • Box Tops for Education           | • Skate Nights      |
| • Cookie Dough                     | • Dine Arounds      |

In addition to funding activities and events, the PTO also coordinates the parent volunteer program for the school. See the next page for more information regarding volunteer hours.

Together, parents, teachers, and families, we can make the 2023-2024 school year extraordinary. Join the PTO, TODAY!. Get connected and get involved! Our children are worth our best!

Be blessed!



Crystal R Quetel  
GMCA PTO President &  
PTO Executive Board



**Soaring to New Heights!**

## Volunteer Hours

According to the Greenforest official school handbook, each *FAMILY* is required to perform a total of 20 volunteer hours during the school year. In order for your child(ren) to be recognized & participate on Honors/Awards Day, you must be a current member of the Greenforest PTO and 10 volunteer hours must be complete & submitted by:

- Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester and
- Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.

Parents, it is your responsibility to make sure that your Volunteer Hours Log is complete and submitted to [pto@greenforestacademy.org](mailto:pto@greenforestacademy.org) on or before the deadline. Volunteer hours will not be accepted after the designated deadlines shown above. Please place these dates on your calendar with a reminder, so that you can enjoy a stress-free Honor's Day with your child. PTO Officers & teachers are not responsible for logging hours.

Opportunities to earn acceptable volunteer hours include, but are not limited to participation in the following:

Item	Hour(s)
PTO Meetings	1
Friday Chapel	1
PTO Membership by December 14 <sup>th</sup>	2
PTO Membership after December 14 <sup>th</sup>	1
Field Day	2
Field Trip	2
Active Committee Participation	3
Uniform Store Donation (at least 2 items in good condition at PTO discretion)	1
Kroger Rewards or Publix Partners (proof of enrollment required)	1
Monetary Donation (cash/cashapp/gift card/etc) per \$10 (Cannot earn more than 3 hours/semester)	1

Parents, it is not mandatory for you to donate anything (teacher supplies, gift cards or money) in lieu of volunteer hours, and you may only earn a maximum of 3 hours/semester for monetary donations.

If you have more than one child enrolled at the school, please make sure all student's names and grades are listed on the volunteer log.

2023-2024  
PTO General Meeting Dates

October 5<sup>th</sup>

November 2<sup>nd</sup>

December 7<sup>th</sup>

January 11<sup>th</sup>

February 1<sup>st</sup>

March 7<sup>th</sup>

April 11<sup>th</sup>