

FOREST TRAIL ELEMENTARY * BOOSTER CLUB 2020-2021

What is the Forest Trail Elementary Booster Club?

The Booster Club is an all-parent volunteer organization here at Forest Trail that supports the teachers, the staff and the students.

We would love to connect with you!

We would love to connect you with other parents and parent community groups online as well as in-person opportunities to meet other parents who are probably also neighbors, teammates, etc. We would also love to invite you to participate in a variety of levels in our school as a volunteer. Working parents, stay-at-home parents, and anywhere in between can find a way to be as involved as they choose.



We are here to help!

Please reach out to us if you have questions along the way about which organization does what, what the various fundraisers fund, and anything in between. Being new to Forest Trail is a place we have all been! Please contact FTE Booster Club Co-Presidents Elect Kate Hall or Katie Ruback for any questions you may have about getting started at Forest Trail. No question is too silly and we have all been new once, too!

We NEED your help!

There are dozens of opportunities to volunteer within our many committees and areas of interest. Please visit <https://foresttrailbc.membershiptoolkit.com/home> or the Booster Club tables at Muffin Morning to find out more!

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Ways to connect at FTE:

Forest Trail Elementary School

Informational outlets maintained by FTE staff - calendar especially important!

- fte.eanesisd.net
- [facebook.com/ftfalcons](https://www.facebook.com/ftfalcons)
- [instagram.com/ftfalcons](https://www.instagram.com/ftfalcons)

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- [instagram.com/ftboosterclub](https://www.instagram.com/ftboosterclub)

Forest Trail Elementary Parents

Social forum maintained by FTE parents

- [facebook.com/groups/FTEparents](https://www.facebook.com/groups/FTEparents)

Eanes Education Foundation

Fundraising arm of the Eanes Independent School District to fund staff salaries

- Eaneseducationfoundation.org

Fundraisers and Fulfillments: What the Booster Club Does

Throughout the school year, various organizations that serve our staff, students, and schools hold fundraisers. The FTE Booster Club produces several events and ongoing initiatives, some of which are fundraisers and some of which are not. Here are some terms you will hear often as a new parent to FTE. This list illustrates which efforts are fundraisers, and which are programs fulfillments.

FTE Booster Club Fundraisers & Events:

- No-Hassle Fundraiser - an annual simple, straightforward fundraiser that replaces cookie sales, wrapping paper sales, and other types of fundraisers from the past
- Parent Socials - parent-only social events hosted by fellow parents in your child's grade level
- Weekly Popcorn - parents may purchase a school year's worth of popcorn snacks to be delivered to your child's classroom on Thursdays
- Back to School Bingo - fun schoolwide event for the entire family held in September
- Auction & Party - an annual event held in February which blends a fun auction component with dinner and entertainment
- Social Events for Parents & Kids - Mother/Son & Father/Daughter events as well as Moms' Nights Out
- Community Partner Spirit Events and Affiliate Programs- opportunities to dine or shop at local and online establishments with a portion of proceeds benefitting FTE
- T-Shirt Sales & FTE Gear - students and parents may purchase spirit wear on the Booster Club website
- School Store - open before school and during lunch

Fulfillments Funded by the FTE Booster Club:

- Curriculum support such as leveled reader sets
- Supportive capital improvements such as water bottle filling stations for the campus
- Educational enhancements such as creating a learning space in our outdoor courtyard
- Technology supplementation and replacements
- FTE Garden
- STEAM Fest - a day of hands-on exploration in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
- Falcon Frolics - a morning celebrating field sports in the fall
- Spring Fling - day of fun playing traditional carnival games at school
- Staff Appreciation Events and grade level teacher lunches

There seem to be several organizations and programs that raise funds from Kindergarten parents. What is the difference between the Booster Club and EEF?

The Eanes Education Foundation (EEF) is another organization about which you will hear a lot. EEF raises money to fund the salaries of staff (employees) across the Eanes Independent School District. This contrasts to the FTE Booster Club which provides funding for school programming and special things like field trips, science supplies, and training opportunities for teachers.