

parent teacher organization

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year!

The **Athens Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)** is looking forward to another great year of academic excellence. We take pride in our annual contributions to Athens which benefit the student's educational experiences. This year, our contributions will be consistent as in year's past, however, much more meaningful to our Athens staff and students. Your donations will be used to provide items that will improve the teaching and learning in the classroom that goes above and beyond the norm, offering enrichment and connection to the subject matter at hand. During this pandemic, our staff and students are counting on us more than ever.

Our Grant and Scholarship Program was developed to assist students and their families. The PTO funds *Underclassmen Grants* of up to **\$150** for students who wish to participate in an activity which the student improves their skills or abilities in an area that will also benefit Athens. We also offer *Senior Scholarships* of **\$500** for students who plan to continue their education. Requirements include the minimum requested PTO donation, acquiring specified number of volunteer points, in addition to a few other details that can be found on our website.

The PTO is an organization that provides for all of our Athens students and staff. Check out these simple ways to be a part of an incredible PTO Community.

The easiest way to contribute to the PTO is to attend the meetings. We provide a comfortable environment for you to share your input and ask questions. We also provide you access to a teacher representative, a Student Congress representative, an NHS representative and our Principal in hopes that you will leave feeling informed.

Volunteer your time. The PTO provides volunteers for a variety of events throughout the school year. You can even choose to Chair an event. Let us know that you want to be a part of the Troy Athens PTO Community by filling out our **Volunteer Form** and we will send you opportunities via Sign Up Genius.

Make a donation. We are asking for a minimum, tax deductible, donation of \$20 per student. Please fill out our **Donation Form** or pay via Square under the **Ways to Contribute** tab. This is a great option for those who are short on time, but still want to help make a difference at Athens.

Sign up for local Rewards programs. Help us earn money with the shopping you already do for your family. For more details and links to the Rewards Programs to support the Troy Athens PTO search under Ways to Contribute.

Check us out and keep in touch:

You can find all of our forms and PTO related information on our website:

https://athens.troy.k12.mi.us/athens-pto-page

You can also find us under the *Parents* drop down on the Athens website: <u>https://athens.troy.k12.mi.us/</u> Additionally, information about PTO supported events and volunteer opportunities will be available through the monthly Athens Newsletter. Follow us on Facebook: Athens PTO

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Thank you, Danielle Buser Athens PTO President