

About Your Cockrell PTO

Thank you for joining the 2025-2026 Cockrell Elementary PTO!

The Cockrell Elementary Parent Teacher Organization is a group made up of parents, teachers, and administrators. Our main objective is to support the needs of the school and its students. Cockrell PTO helps raise funds to provide educational programs, school equipment, classroom supplies and additional items needed to help improve our campus.

Whether you are a returning family or new to our Cockrell PTO, we hope you will take the time to read this packet. Included you will find general information about the PTO and ways you can help this year.

Below is a list of some of the items provided or events sponsored by the PTO during our 2024-2025 school year:

- New mural installed in cafeteria
- Pour in Place fall surfacing installed on small playground
- Planted trees to provide shade cover on large playground
- Garden maintenance and support for Communities in Schools (CIS) garden club
- Good Choices Week supplies
- Back to School teacher luncheon provided
- Thanksgiving picnic decor and photo ops
- Hosted Safety Patrol breakfast
- Coordinate volunteers for all on campus activities
- Tasty Treat Thursday each semester
- Teacher appreciation week breakfast and lunch
- Nurse's supplies
- Buses for all field trips
- Field Day snow cones and inflatables
- Fall Festival event SPOOKIES
- Coordinated pre-ordered school supply delivery and distribution
- Supplied snacks and school supplies for CIS
- Hosted yearbook cover art contest and breakfast
- Hosted monthly spirit nights at local restaurants
- Annual yearbook creation and distribution
- Provided decorations and props for 4th grade holiday program
- Provided souvenir photo booth for 4th grade promotion and Senior Walk
- Teacher birthday recognition on a monthly basis
- Book Fair credit given to every student
- Lunch provided to test administrators during STAAR test week
- Brain Pop Software provided for the entire school
- Goodie bags provided to students during STAAR test week
- Copy Cubs to coordinate daily volunteers for teachers direct copy support
- Funded new PE equipment

Our APEX fundraiser helped raise over \$30,000 last year and PTO was able to provide a \$10 credit to each student to spend at the Spring book fair. Over the course of the past few years, we were able to raise and save enough money to provide an upgraded fall surfacing to the small playground, providing accessibility to all on the small playground.

PTO will be hosting different fundraisers and events throughout the 2025-2026 school year and we are excited about your support. Please keep an eye out for Skyward emails and check us out on Facebook: Barbara Cockrell Elementary PTO and Instagram: cockrellelementary_pto for more information. Below are some other ways you can help:

- Join today! By becoming a PTO Member, your annual membership dues of \$10.00 per family will help fund school events, educational programs and supplies needed throughout the year.
- Donate to the PTO! Monetary donations are always welcomed. A tax donation receipt can be issued for any monetary donations received. Please contact the PTO President at President@CockrellPTO.org for more information on donating.
- Scan your receipts to collect Box Tops! Box Tops have gone from traditional clippings to the new Box Top\$ for Education app! Please be sure to download the app and scan your receipts.
- Kroger Rewards – Simply visit <http://www.kroger.com> and log into your Kroger account. Search for BARBARA COCKRELL ELEMENTARY PTO or use our Non-Profit Organization Number: XQ576 and then click Enroll. New users will need to create an account which requires some basic information, a valid email address and a rewards card.