

9/9 PTO Newsletter

Meridian Mustang Mile and Fall Festival (MMFF) 2026

1 Mile Fun Run and School-Wide Fall Festival

Friday, September 18th, 5-8pm



Level Up Mustangs! Your Super Star Challenge: Raise \$60,000 for our school! **So far we've raised \$19,103 and have 17% student participation.** We're loving all the pictures on social media of our Mustangs doing their part to raise money for our school! Way to go! **There are only 10 days left so keep hustling!!**

Check out our [Super Mario Bros Mustang Mile Edition Video 2026](#) and our [2026 Mustang Mile Info Booklet](#) to learn all about the event details, fundraising and cool prizes! Cool prizes include a Donut Party, a Hayride and Hot Chocolate (real horse hayride and hot chocolate), and the Pizza Party Bus! Students can earn raffle tickets too with a chance to win a Nintendo Switch 2, Paddle Boards, and a variety of other gift cards to so many great places!

We NEED Volunteers! Please consider volunteering as it takes the whole community to put on this amazing event! Sign up here: [Fall Festival Volunteer Sign Up 2026](#)



Donating/Fundraising: You can donate by sending cash or check in your child's collection envelope by September 18th, or donate online. Parents, you can continue to use the district's <https://payschoolscentral.com> **while logged in** to make an online donation (or use our NEW Rallyup link below).

PaySchools Central is still having major technical difficulties for "Guest Checkout." We have a solution for collecting family and friends Mustang Mile online donations. Please share this new Rallyup link for collecting online donations:

<https://go.rallyup.com/meridianmustangmile>



IMPORTANT MUSTANG MILE UPDATE

Guest Checkout is not working on PaySchoolsCentral.com for Mustang Mile donations from family and friends. Unfortunately, the site may appear to accept the donation even though the card is not actually charged.

We have a solution!

Please use this **NEW RallyUp link** for family & friends donations:

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Parents: You can use the RallyUp link for your own donation, or continue using PaySchoolsCentral while **logged in**.

Be sure to make some online donations early! Early online donors get a chance at bragging rights and to wear **Thunder's Mustang Mile Hustle Chain Necklace** for the day at school. This is a random daily drawing by grade level for online donors. We will be tracking participation closely! Like last year, we are planning a school-wide optional foam party station at our festival if 75% of students raise between \$1-\$99.

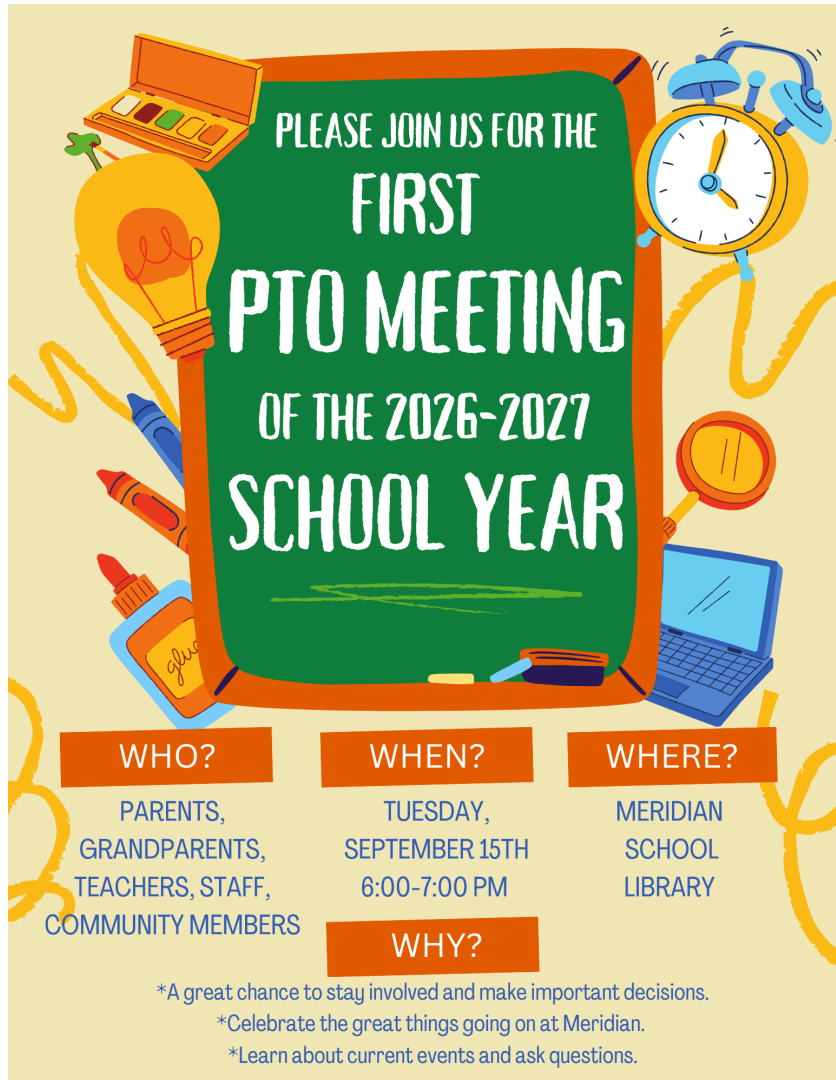


PTO Community Meeting

Tuesday, September 15th in the the Library, 6pm

Please join us for the first PTO Community meeting of the year and meet your PTO Board members. PTO community meetings are a great way to get involved, to be a part of important decisions, and to learn about all things Meridian! In addition to PTO current events, Mr. Gooding will be making a “state of the school” address to kickoff the year. Hope to see you there!





Share your pictures with the Meridian Yearbook Team

The Meridian Yearbook Team would like to let parents know that they will be collecting pictures from this school year for the yearbook. If there are any pictures that you would like to share during this school year for the 2026 - 2027 Meridian Yearbook please email photos to meridianelementaryyearbook@gmail.com.

Feel free to reach out to pto.meridianelementary@gmail.com with any questions and to follow us on facebook!

