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PTO NEWSLETTER

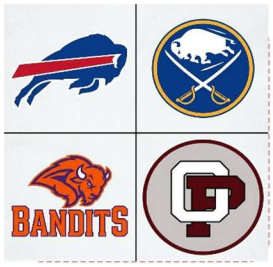
EDITION
SEPTEMBER 2026

Official PTO Website: ellicott.opschools.org/parent-and-student-resources/pto

HUGE SUCCESS Supply Drop Off Night

Thank You for Supporting Our Chicken Dinner!

A giant **THANK YOU** to every family, teacher, and community member who purchased dinners and joined us for Supply Drop Off Night! Together, **we raised over $2,000** to start our school year strong. We couldn't have done it without our incredible volunteer crew and your generosity!



PASS DOWN THE PRIDE

Swap on Sept 24 • 5:30–7:30 PM

Orchard Park & Buffalo Fan Apparel Drive

If your closet has Quaker spirit wear your student has outgrown, or extra **Buffalo Bills, Buffalo Sabres, and Buffalo Bandits** gear that needs a new home, pass it forward! We are collecting clean, gently worn fan wear for our Spirit Wear Swap at the Walk for Ellicott event.

COLLECTION BIN IS OUTSIDE SCHOOL FRONT ENTRANCE!
Drop off clean, gently worn items anytime before Sept 24th.

⛔ NO SPORTS EQUIPMENT PLEASE ⛔

BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR

Thursday, Sept 24, 2026 • 5:30 – 7:30 PM

Fall Fundraiser: WALK FOR ELLICOTT

Food & Drink
Available for purchase!

DJ & Photobooth!
Music, fun & photos

School-Wide Prizes!
Exciting rewards for all

Your **WALK FOR ELLICOTT** gift supports our biggest fundraiser of the year! Donations directly fund the official school t-shirts for every student and administrator, provides essential extra classroom supplies, and brings unforgettable experiences to life for both students and staff.

TWO WAYS TO DONATE:

1. Online via Zeffy: Share the link or scan the QR code (100% of donations go directly to PTO).
2. Cash / Checks: Collect cash or checks in your child's **Fundraising Envelope** and return to school.

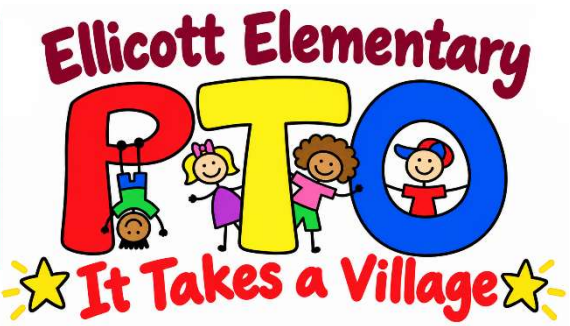
Donate to Walk For Ellicott

https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/fall-fundraiser-walk-for-ellicott

Every Step Makes a Difference!

SCAN TO DONATE

Direct Zeffy Link



SCHOOL HOURS & DISMISSAL
9:10 AM – 3:20 PM
Half Day Dismissal: 11:40 AM

Have You Joined the Ellicott PTO Yet?

Annual PTO memberships are open for the 2026–2027 school year! Dues give you voting rights at meetings and power our student activities.

As a member, you can volunteer in the school library during your child's class time. Sign up will be emailed!

SCAN TO JOIN PTO

Direct Zeffy Link

Join PTO on Zeffy

Ways to Volunteer

Enthusiastic parent volunteers make our school community thrive! Here are active ways you can lend a hand this school year:

- **Library Volunteers**
- **Walk for Ellicott Volunteers (Sept 24)**
- **Event Planning Committee**

PTO Meetings

All Parents & Guardians Welcome!

Virtual Option Available

REMOTE OPTION | Same Link All Year!

Join via Google Meet

Can't make it in person? Scan the QR code or click below to join remotely. **This meeting link works for all PTO meetings this school year!**

meet.google.com/qgt-xoqr-fsc

SCAN TO JOIN

Google Meet Link

ATTN: 5TH GRADE PARENTS

LAST CALL!

Last Call for 5th Grade Parent Liaison Sign-Up

- **Role:** Partner with 5th-grade teachers to coordinate supplies and volunteers for major events (tie-dye t-shirt activity, graduation, and end-of-year celebrations).
- **Selection:** Two parents will be chosen at random from all 5th-grade submissions at next PTO meeting.

To submit your name, send an email with your child's 5th grade teacher name to the PTO :

EllicottPTO@gmail.com

Ellicott Spirit Wear Sale!

Show your school spirit with official Ellicott t-shirts, hoodies, hats, and fleeces!



Important Dates (2026-2027)

SEPTEMBER 2026

- **Sept 15:** EL PTO Meeting (9:40 AM)
- **Sept 17:** Half Day (Dismissal 11:40 AM)
- **Sept 24: WALK FOR ELLICOTT & Gear Swap (5:30–7:30 PM)**

OCTOBER – NOVEMBER 2026

- **Oct 2:** Picture Day & Early Dismissal Drill
- **Oct 12:** Indigenous Peoples' / Columbus Day — No School
- **Oct 13:** EL PTO Meeting (9:40 AM)
- **Nov 11:** Veterans Day — No School
- **Nov 13:** Half Day (Dismissal 11:40 AM)
- **Nov 17:** EL PTO Meeting (6:30 PM)
- **Nov 18:** Picture Retake Day
- **Nov 24:** Ellicott Turkey Trot
- **Nov 25–27:** Thanksgiving Holiday — No School

DECEMBER 2026 – JANUARY 2027

- **Dec 10 & 11:** Half Days (11:40 AM)
- **Dec 24 – Jan 1:** Winter Break — No School
- **Jan 4:** Classes Resume
- **Jan 12:** EL PTO Meeting (9:40 AM)

SPRING 2027 PTO MEETINGS & EVENTS

- **Feb 9:** EL PTO Meeting (9:40 AM)
- **Mar 11:** EL PTO Meeting (6:30 PM)
- **Apr 13:** EL PTO Meeting (9:40 AM)
- **May 11:** EL PTO Meeting (9:40 AM)
- **May 14:** Spring Fling Ice Cream Social & Art Show (5–7 PM)
- **Jun 1:** EL PTO Final Meeting (9:40 AM)

2026-2027 Executive Board

President **Tara Manteghi**	Vice President **Amber Worral**
Treasurer **Erin Ware**	Secretary **Leah Kruger**

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