

Welcome to OES...

During “Meet the Teacher Night”, members of the OES PTO were able to engage and connect with students and families, both old and new. The energy in the building was uplifting and the students were ready to get settled into their classrooms. Parents and grandparents were also there, supporting OES by signing up to volunteer for the various events offered throughout the year. We encourage this involvement and know that parents are important to a school's success. Whether you can volunteer in the classroom, library, or from home, we appreciate your hard work.

The OES PTO supports the Oakville Elementary School staff, students, clubs, and parents through fundraising, programming, and purchases that benefit and enhance learning... and, it's all wrapped up in FUN! What kind of support has the PTO provided for Oakville Elementary School? Here are just a few examples:

- Supplies and reading materials in each classroom
- Technology used by students
- Outdoor playground equipment
- Field trip support
- Musical instruments
- After-school clubs and activities

This year, our main fundraising focus is an **indoor rock climbing wall** that will be installed in our gymnasium! The 8'x32' magnetic rock climbing wall encourages self-confidence, fitness, teambuilding, and focus. Climbing is a sport that offers an opportunity for lifetime fitness for every student, not just “natural athletes”. Students will build physical, cognitive, social, and emotional skills – and it goes beyond gym class! All educators can use the wall with their students to teach language skills, math facts, and character traits.

We will support this equipment and many other services through our fall fundraiser (starting this August), Spirit Wear sales, dances, PTO PAWS events, smile.amazon.com, movie night, Box Tops for Education, a book fair, Laps for Lions, in addition to our *big* event, the OES Trivia Night in February! Plan on reserving a table early – it's an evening to remember.

We are open to your ideas and would love for you to be part of the conversation at our monthly **OES PTO meetings**. The first meeting will be held on Thursday, September 8th at 7PM in the OES library. Child care will be provided.

We thank you for being part of the OES family! Be sure to sign up for the weekly OES email updates (oespto@gmail.com), “like” us on Facebook, and look for more information in your student's folder throughout the school year.

Welcome to the Pride!

OES PTO Executive Board
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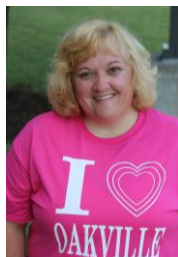
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