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WELCOME

McKitrick Elementary PTA General Meeting #1

September 17, 2026

Agenda

EXECUTIVE UPDATES

- Welcome & Call Meeting to Order & Confirm Quorum
- Principal Address
- President Updates
- Vice President Update
- Treasury
- Sciacchitano &

- Barrie Vause
- Mrs. Stone
- Barrie Vause
- Jincy Soler
- Gina
- Jenna Wilson

COMMITTEE UPDATES

- Fundraising
- Parent Outreach
- Programs
- Student / School Support
- Special Events
- Graff-McPherren &

- Lauren Allen
- Jessica Irizarri
- Erin Circelli
- Gina Sciacchitano
- Shea

Mission

The overall purpose of PTA is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.



Hi everyone! We are so glad you are here.



McKitrick Administration Report

**BELIEVE IN
YOURSELF**



Mrs. Stone

School Principal



Ms. Bielitz

School Vice Principal



***Mrs. Lawhon &
Mrs. Contreras***

***School Teacher
Representative***



Mrs. Testa-Secca

Principal's Secretary

Meet Our 2026-2027 PTA



2026 - 2027 MCKITRICK PTA

Executive Committee/Officers

PRESIDENT Barrie Vause		VICE PRESIDENT Jincy Soler		TREASURER Jenna Wilson		SECRETARY Ariel Martinez
PARENT OUTREACH Jessica Irizarri	FUNDRAISING Lauren Allen	SPECIAL EVENTS Shea Graff-McPherran co-chair Ashley Itzkowitz	STUDENT /SCHOOL SUPPORT Erin Circelli	PROGRAMS Gina Sciacchitano	COMMUNICATIONS Sarah Carpenter	SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES
NEWCOMERS/ KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP Beth Read, Jennifer Whelihan ALL PRO DADS Charles Collins HOMEROOM PARENTS Jessica Micheli VOLUNTEER COORDINATION Jessica Irizarri MEMBERSHIPS Rhoda Ramnarine-Ramoutar	SPIRIT WEAR ✉ Jenna Wilson & Lizzy Singleton BOOSTERTHON Lead Chair: Erin Circelli Co-Chairs: Lindsay Jimison, Jincy Soler, Barrie Vause, Lauren Balasco, Chiara Mobley HOLIDAY SHOP Lisa Peluso, Megan Wilson, & Lauren Beatty BOBCAT BASH Jenny Teixeira and OPEN for more BUSINESS PARTNERS Cristine Whitman DINE OUTS Yoshiee Diaz	SWEETHEART EVENT Lead Chair: Hannah Dineen Co-Chair: Shelley Blanco, Jessica Irizarri, Gabby Sanabria SONS & STARS Lauren Balasco, Chiara Mobley FAMILY NIGHTS Donna Tucker, Amy Sweeney, Patricia Baldwin, Hannah Breih FIFTH GRADE ACTIVITIES co-chair: Chryssa Samhoury co-chair: Lindsay Jimison Erin Circelli, Barrie Vause, Cristine Whitman, Leslie Collins, Jenny Teixeira, Megan Wison	OPEN HOUSE Lindsay Jimison TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION Lead Chair: Ariel Martinez & Jincy Soler Co-Chair: Sarah Carpenter HEALTH/ SAFETY Mary Tang	REFLECTIONS Esther Linky TUTORING Ariel Martinez JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT Loren Mednick MCKITRICK CARES/SERVES Rhoda Ramnarine-Ramoutar Lauren Balasco, Chiara Mobley	YEARBOOK Christine Lenzo OPEN WEBSITE/ GIVEBACKS Sarah Carpenter SOCIAL MEDIA Chryssa Samhoury NEWSLETTER Leslie Collins	PRINCIPAL Mrs. Stone TEACHER REPRESENTATIVES Mrs. Lawhon Mrs. Contreras

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE/OFFICERS (VOTING POSITION/ELECTED BY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP)

**Has to be present at board meeting

STANDING CHAIR (VOTING POSITION/ ELECTED BY OFFICERS)

SPECIAL COMMITTEE (REPORTS TO STANDING CHAIR)

How To Stay Informed



GET YOUR ANNUAL MCKITRICK PTA MEMBERSHIP NOW

For only \$6, you can become a member of our school PTA where you gain access to tons of great information with no time commitment required! Anyone can join-including siblings & grandparents! Discounts are provided for purchasing multiple memberships.



FOR
MEMBERSHIP
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HERE!



COMPLETE THE HCPS VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Anyone who wishes to volunteer in person on school property must complete a HCPS volunteer application biannually. To complete an application, scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/3BjAijr> to check your renewal status.



FOR
VOLUNTEER
RS, SCAN
HERE!



FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Like our McKitrick PTA Facebook page and follow us on Twitter and Instagram for real-time updates! Visit www.mckitrickpta.com to learn more.



FOR OUR
WEBSITE,
SCAN HERE!

ISSUES WITH THE QR CODES?

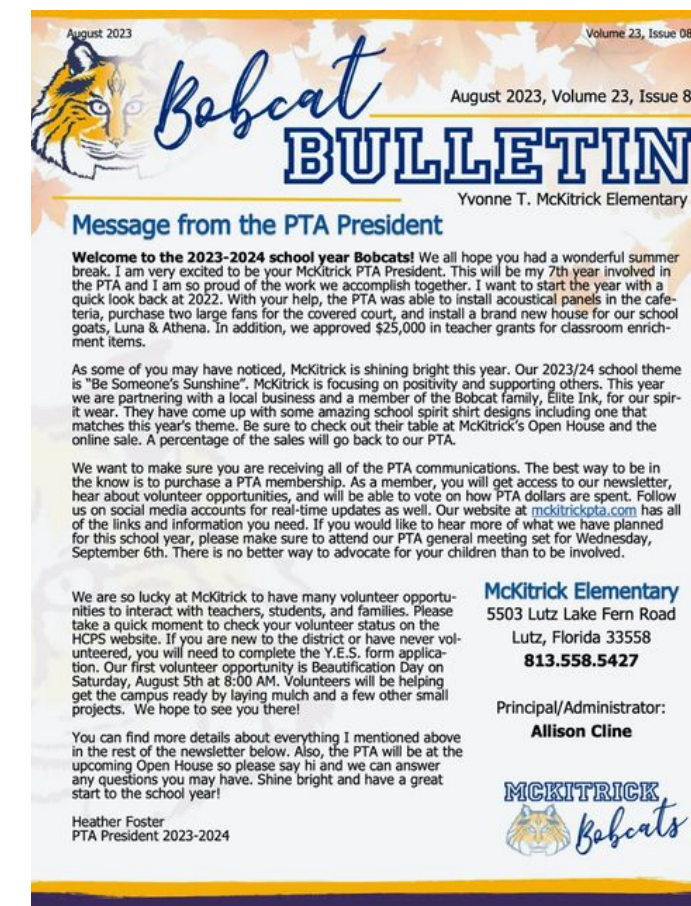
Visit www.mckitrickpta.com directly to complete these easy steps.

Accomplishments



Barrie Vause

- Completed compliance requirements for new school year
- Signed on new business partners
- 2025-26 Fundraising goals met
- 30+ families and faculty volunteered for Beautification Day
- Provided breakfast to welcome back all teachers and staff
- Successful Open House
- First Family Fun Night - Ice Cream Social
- August & September Newsletter Published



Treasury Update



**Gina Sciacchitano/
Jenna Wilson**

AUDIT REPORT

Audit Report for 2025/2026 school year completed 8/7/26

**2026-2027 MCKITRICK PTA
BUDGET OVERVIEW & VOTE**

2026/2027 school year budget PDF link [Budget 2026-2027](#)

CURRENT BALANCE

- Current account balance as of 8/19/26 was \$103,920.17
- total receipts \$9,180.81; total Disbursements \$3,297.46;
total 9/17/2026 \$109,803.52

Questions? Email treasurer@mckitrick_pta.com

Fundraising

2026 Boosterthon Kick Off Pep Rally is tomorrow
September 18th & the Fun Run will be October
2nd

Fundraising Goal - Raise \$50,000 for:

- shade sails for recess and other outdoor equipment.
- Teacher grants for classroom resources
- Other school technology!



Lauren Allen

A colorful poster titled "FUNdraising Corner" for the 2026 Boosterthon. The poster features a rocket icon, clouds, and stars. It includes the text "BOOSTERTHON", "WE'RE RAISING BIG TOGETHER!", and "Help us reach our goal and make a huge impact for McKitrick Elementary." It also lists "MARK YOUR CALENDARS" with sign-up dates (9/4/26 to 10/2/26) and the goal of \$50,000. A section titled "WHY IT MATTERS" lists three benefits: supporting programs kids love, building community and school pride, and creating opportunities for every student. At the bottom, it says "SIGN UP TODAY AT mybooster.com" with a QR code.

Parent Outreach

McKitrick PTA Facebook Parents Club

Group:

The facebook group is a great way to meet other parents and ask questions.

All Pro Dads:

Join us every third Friday in the cafeteria at 7am



Jessica Irizarri

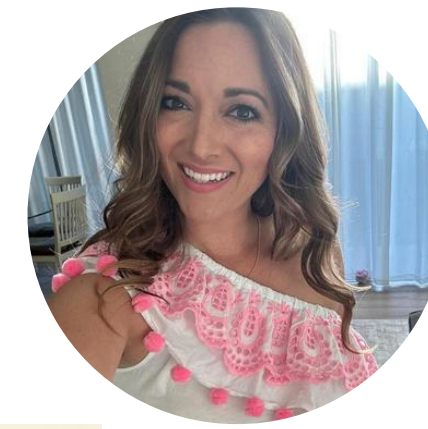


HR/Volunteer Training

Thank you to all of the volunteers that came to training on 9/10. Contact us for more information at volunteers@mckitrickpta.com and homeroomparents@mckitrickpta.com



Parent Outreach



Jessica Irizarri

Membership Drive:

The membership drive ends Wednesday 9/30. The class with the most memberships will earn a pizza party!

The current top classes are:

1. Ms. McElhone
2. Mrs. Dorazil
3. Mrs. Hoyos



Purchase your 2026-2027 PTA Membership



or visit mckitrickpta.com

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YOU BELONG IN PTA
Our PTA...



JOIN US TODAY!

Programs

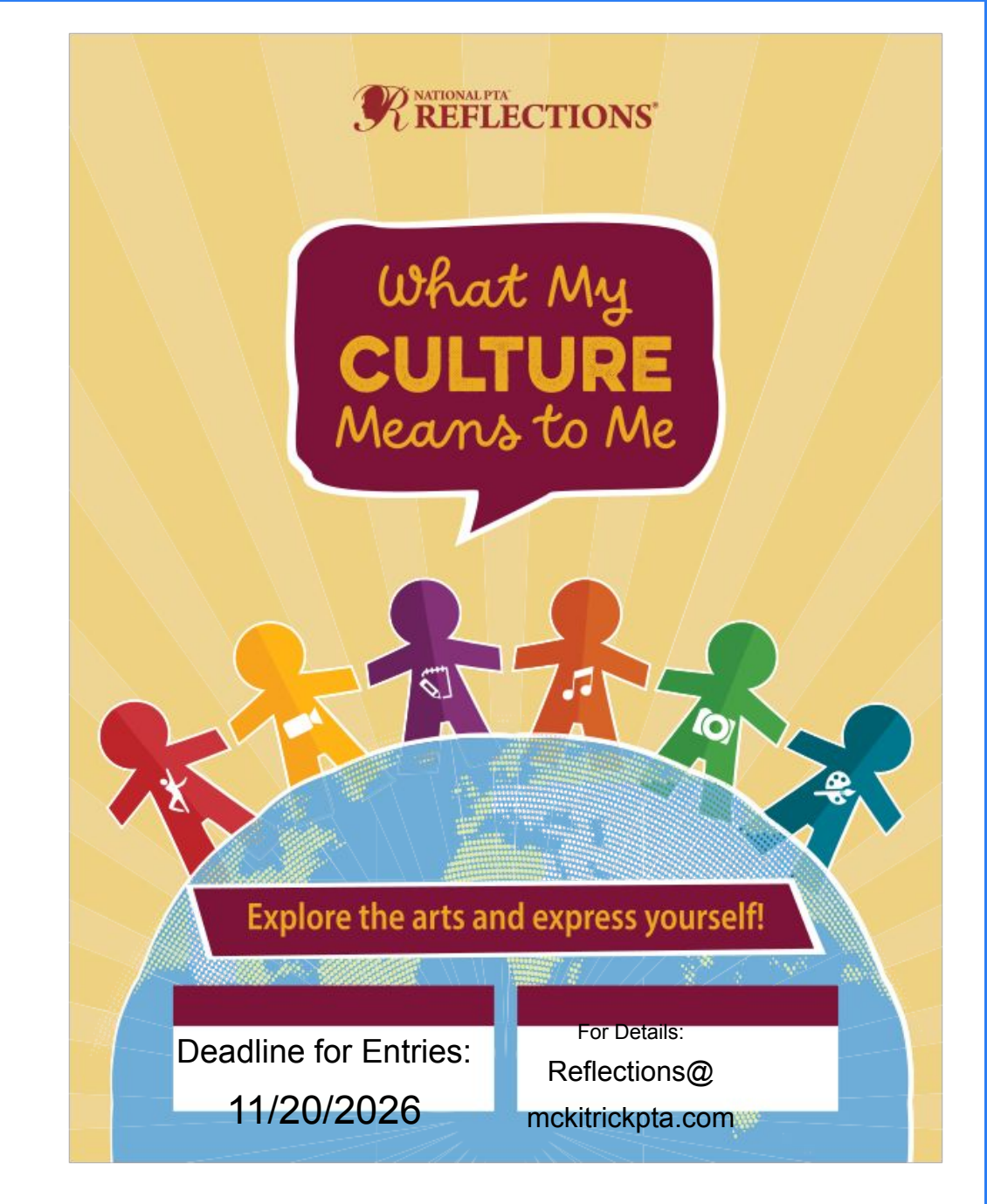


Erin Circelli

McKitrick Serves - Beautification Day



Reflections



McKitrick Cares



Student & School Support



PTA TEAM



Gina Sciacchitano



Teacher & Staff Breakfast

The PTA hosted a welcome back breakfast for our amazing McKitrick teachers and staff on July 31st..

We can't thank them enough for all their hard work and dedication year round. We were very excited to also support a local business, NY Bagel!

New York Bagel Cafe & Catering
4534 W Village Dr.
Tampa, Florida 33624

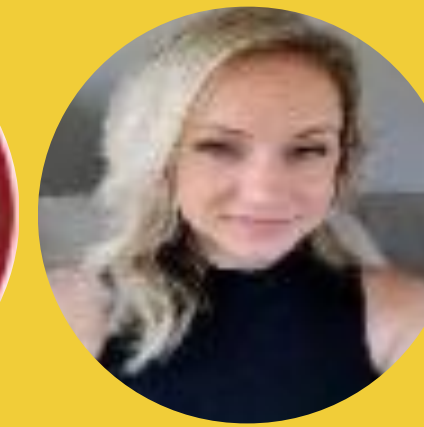


Open House 2026

Thank you to everyone who joined us for Open House! Families and students caught up with past and present teachers. We were especially thrilled to welcome our newest Bobcats during our Kindergarten signing! Everyone had a blast exploring campus with a school-wide scavenger hunt and spending time with our resident goats and chickens—a huge thank you to all the vendors who helped us kick off McKitrick's 25th anniversary.



Special Events



**Shea Graff-McPherren
& Ashley Itkowitz**

ICE CREAM SOCIAL WAS A "SWEET" EVENING.

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SCHOOL YEAR KICKS OFF IN A "SWEET" WAY!

What a "sweet" evening we had on August 25th at the annual back-to-school ice cream social hosted by our PTA Family Nights Committee! We had a fantastic turnout, and it was wonderful to see students, families, teachers, and staff enjoying time together on campus!



Big thanks to Urban Crunch for partnering with us for the ice cream! Shout-out to Business Partners: Rescue Roofings, Urgent Care, After School Scholars, and Miller Orthodontics for their participation. We were also fortunate enough to have Three Brothers Pizza and The Twisted Kettle providing food and snack options for our families!

Special thanks to everyone who signed up for PTA memberships! Bobcat families are amazing! If you are interested in joining our committee, please email FamilyNights@Mckitrickpta.com.

SAVE THE DATE

9/22

**Grandparent Bingo
Night**



Mark your calendars for
**FRIDAY, November 6th for the
25th Anniversary Tailgate. Come
out for a fun time with food and
friends! More info coming soon.**

Communications



Sarah Carpenter

September's Newsletter is now available!

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Message from the PTA President

Happy September! 🐾
We hope everyone is settling into the school year and finding their new routines! We have already had such a great start to the year, and we are so thankful for our amazing McKittrick community.

🍦 **Thank You for a Sweet Ice Cream Social!**
A BIG thank you to everyone who came out to our Ice Cream Social! It was so much fun kicking off the school year with our Bobcat families. We loved seeing so many familiar faces and welcoming new ones!

Our PTA Membership Drive is still going strong through September 30th! 🍕
The class with the **most PTA memberships** will win a **PIZZA PARTY!** If you haven't joined yet, there's still time to support McKittrick and help your child's class win!

👤 **All Pro Dad**
A huge **thank you to Charles Collins and all of the dads** who continue to make our All Pro Dad meetings such a success! These mornings are filled with fun, connection, and great memories for our Bobcat families.
Come check out all the fun they are having at the next meeting on **September 18th from 7:00–7:30 AM!** We would love to see you there!

🐾 **Bobcats Helping Tigers — Our Sister School Partnership**
We are proud to continue our partnership with Alexander Elementary and their Den Program, helping provide food security for Alexander families.
Parents, you can help! When you're shopping at Publix, keep an eye out for **BOGO (Buy One, Get One)** dry goods and consider donating the **FREE** item to our sister school. 🛒💙💜

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CALENDAR

September

- 17th PTA Virtual General Meeting
- 18th All Pro Dad Meeting
- 18th Boosterthon Pep Rally (students only)
- 21st-25th Book Fair
- 21st-25th Start with Hello Week
- 22nd Grandparents' Bingo
- 24th Conference Night
- 30th Fall Make-up day for pictures

October

- 2nd Boosterthon Fun Run (families invited to cheer on from the track)
- 9th End of 1st Quarter
- 12th No School

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Prices will increase after 11/13!

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- Celebrate friendships, classmates, teachers, and special moments.
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Let us know if you have any questions. You can also use the chat or email us after the meeting.



And the raffle winner
is.....

Thank you for being here!