



Pioneer Parents' Club

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MEET THE 2022-23 BOARD

- **Leisa Waldron (President)** I have been a Brentwood resident for nine years. My husband and I have four awesome children. Our oldest, Kadie, is a sophomore in college! Laney is a Junior at Heritage, Crew is in eighth grade at Adams and Leo is in fourth grade at Pioneer! I have a small jewelry business and when I am not hammering jewelry or spending time with my family, I love volunteering at our LDS church and doing small home improvement projects!
- **Lindsay Cunnie (Secretary)** This is my second year serving as secretary for the Pioneer Parents' Club. My daughter is in second grade and we also have a 4-year-old son. Pioneer has been such an amazing home for my daughter. By joining the Parents' Club I am hoping to give back to the community in any way that I can!
- **Bhavna Marwaha (Treasury)** This is my second year as Parents' Club Treasurer. My son, Parth is in first grade at Pioneer and I also have a daughter starting middle school this year. I work for Cisco in finance. During my spare time I love painting and spending time with my family.
- **Sachin Kumar (Treasury)** This is my second year serving on the Parents' Club board as Co-Treasurer. I am glad to have the opportunity to help.



Leisa



Lindsay



Bhavna



Sachin



Kim



Nina



Dari



Brandi



Tammie



Kacy

- Kim Cauich (Volunteer Coordinator) I have a son in second grade and twin daughters in kindergarten. This is my second year as the volunteer coordinator because I enjoy helping out our school and getting to know our community.
- Nina Bajer (Fundraising) I currently have a fifth grader at Pioneer and he is so excited for this school year! My husband and I are happy to support Pioneer Elementary as this school has been a great support to our son since kindergarten.
- Dari Tran (Fundraising) This is my first year serving on the Pioneer Parents' Club board. I love being a mom to my daughter Elise who is in Kindergarten. I am also a full-time college professor and published author. I am grateful to be a part of this community and hope to assist in raising big bucks for our favorite elementary school!
- Brandi Somers (Staff Appreciation) This will be my second year on the Parents' Club Board. Being on the board has been a great way to be involved in events at the school and to meet other Pioneer parents. I have a second grader and a fourth grader this year. I look forward to meeting you!
- Tammie Macdonald (Staff Appreciation) This is my first year on the board and I am Co-Staff Appreciation. I have always volunteered for Parents' Club events when I could because it helped me meet other parents and feel more part of the Pioneer Community. This year I decided to take a more active role by joining the board. This year we have a 5th grader and a 3rd grader. I'm looking forward to a fantastic 2022-23 school year!
- Kacy Torres (Public Relations) This is my second year as Co-PR Chair for the Pioneer Parents' Club. You might recognize me from our Facebook group, the Round Up. My husband and I have twin sons in first grade and a three-year-old daughter. I love being involved with the school, helping out and getting to know our awesome Pioneer Community!



- Melissa Kolina-Chiprich (Public Relations) This is my 10th year as a Pioneer parent and my 2nd year serving on the Parents' Club board as Co-PR Chair. I love having the opportunity to give back to this school community that has done so much the benefit my children over the past decade. I have a 5th grader and a 2nd grader here at Pioneer and my oldest is a freshman at Heritage this year.
- Morgan Mundy (Art Program Chair) This will be my first full year as Art Program Chair and my 9th year as an art docent at Pioneer. My husband, Todd and I have five kids, ranging from teen to toddler. I'm so excited for this school year and for the opportunity to help make some really special memories for our kids.
- Yanira Canizales Wandera (DE&I Chair) Our family moved to Brentwood from Oakland with our 3 children a year ago. We have a 4th grader at Pioneer and two 6th graders at Adams. Our family enjoys board games, hosting friends and cruising through the farmer's market. I am a former teacher and principal, but my current work is to support school districts across the nation to better serve students and close equity gaps. I believe the foundation of all learning is a strong community where all members (staff, families, students) feel valued, loved, humanized, and have a strong sense of belonging. I am excited to work alongside others to strengthen Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging efforts at Pioneer.



Melissa



Morgan



Yanira

Calling All August & September Birthdays!

We love celebrating birthdays at Pioneer!

We would be delighted to wish your child a happy birthday on the Pioneer marquee. Visit the website at pioneerparentsclub.com where you will find a link to a google form to request your message. Each message costs \$25 and can be paid online through cheddarup

or by dropping off cash or check in the Parents' Club box in the office. We request at least 2 weeks notice to ensure we can plan and meet your request, but we're also happy to accommodate last minute requests whenever possible.



Important Dates

8/10 Back to School Night: TK - 2nd
 TK/K 5:00-5:45
 1st 6:00 - 6:45
 2nd 7:00-7:45

8/11 Back to School Night: 3rd - 5th
 3rd 5:00-5:45
 4th 6:00-6:45
 5th 7:00-7:45

8/17 & 8/18 Picture Day

Your child's teacher will send home info

8/18 Parents' Club general meeting
 7:00 pm in MPR, Zoom available

8/24 Dine In & Take Out Night at
 Subway at The Streets of Brentwood

Spirit Wear

Students are encouraged to show school spirit every Friday by wearing the school colors of maroon, and silver or gray.

Spirit wear is also available for purchase online at

pioneer-colts-spiritwear.com

With every purchase made from our vendor, Announce It, a portion of proceeds will go directly to Parents' Club to help us continue to enrich our school community. New designs for the 22-23 school year will be out soon!



Get Involved!

We are really looking forward to being able to be more involved with our Pioneer Community this year! First things first, if you haven't done so yet, we have a private group on Facebook: Pioneer Colt's Roundup- Brentwood, CA. Please join if you are on Facebook, this is a place where you can stay up to date on events happening at school and through the parents' club. You can also find us on Instagram at @pioneerparentsclub, or visit our website pioneerparentsclub.com

We hope to see many of you at our first general meeting of the year on August 18th (in person or over zoom)! At this time there are two open board positions- Vice President and Yearbook Coordinator, If you are interested in either position, or just volunteering more generally, please reach out to Kim, our Volunteer Coordinator at pioneerpcvolunteerco@gmail.com

Our Parents' Club is here to serve you, our Pioneer community! We always welcome feedback on how we can do just that. Please be on the lookout for the parents survey that was emailed out Wednesday evening (8/3). We will be accepting survey responses until August 11th, but encourage you to reach out to us any time through email, facebook, or any time you see us around!