

Mark your calendar- upcoming important dates!

- Wed, Nov 6th - PTA Meeting
- Fri, Nov 15th - DoIFun Dance Party
- Dec 2-9th - Book Fair
- Wed, Dec 4th - PTA Meeting with "PTA Shopping Night"

Get in on the fun and volunteer for upcoming events! [Sign up here](#).

November PTA Meeting - Nov 6th @ 7pm

Join us for our November PTA meeting, November 6th @ 7pm in the DOES Media Center. Meet new faces, learn about upcoming activities & events, and get involved!

FREE sitters by licensed childcare providers in the cafeteria will be available during the meeting. RSVPs for childcare are not required, but greatly appreciated for planning purposes. Sign up [here](#).

We hope to see you there!!!

DoIFun Dance Party 11/15/24

We EXCEEDED our fundraising goal and now we get to PARTY!!!

Save the date, Friday November 15th, 6:30-8:30

Join us for Dancing, Music by DWG Entertainment, Ledo's Pizza and lots of FUN!

This is not a drop off event; child care will not be provided.

Please sign up to volunteer to help make our event a huge success!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D4DABAB2BAA8-52854939-dance>

sMILE Trackers

 **1 Date Left of Smile Trackers!**

So far over **35 students** have reached "10 Lap Club" status, having earned a reward for completing a total of at least 10 laps during recesses as a part of our Smile Trackers program!

Many more are close to reaching that goal and we want to support them achieving it.

November 12th will be the last date for Smile Trackers this fall.

Volunteers are needed during recess time to cheer kids on, scan cards, supervise and distribute prizes to all participants. **Please [sign up here](#) to volunteer.**

DOES Garden

In case you missed it! The PTA put in a fresh pollinator garden at Dayton Oaks next to the main playground. It's mulched and fenced off. A huge thank you to all who volunteered and who have been supporting this initiative!

[Check out an educational guide](#) from our master gardener, Ana, for information about pollinator gardens and the native plant species we used!

If you want to volunteer for anything garden related please email us at garden@daytonoakspta.org

Memory Book

The memory book committee is looking for your pictures from our PTA sponsored **Trunk or Treat** and Grade Level **Field Trips**. Pictures can be sent to: Memorybook@daytonoakspta.org

Please ensure only DOES students are in the pictures.

Staff Appreciation

We're looking for K-Cup and breakfast snacks for the monthly "Grab - N - Go's".

Donation ideas can be found on our [Amazon Wish List](#).

Stay up-to-date on current Staff Appreciation Committee happenings & needs by contacting Michelle Reuster staffappreciation@daytonoakspta.org.

DOES Spirit Wear

New designs have been added to the DOES Spirit Wear store! Shop now and show off your dolphin pride in style! <https://spirithero.com/collections/dayton-1>

Food on the 15th

Dayton Oaks Elementary PTA - Food on the 15th is collecting canned and/or non-perishable items all-year long and serving our local Howard County residents! Consider giving what you already have in your pantry and/or picking up a few items during your next grocery trip! Items can be dropped off *anytime* during school hours or the beginning/end of the school day, in the bins - located in the front lobby labeled "Food on the 15th". Thank you for your continuous donations!

If you have any questions, please contact foodonthe15th@daytonoakspta.org.

Ideas of items that you may donate (100% optional)

- Single serve container(s) (box, can, or bottle) of 100% juice
- Single serve canned, instant or shelf stable soup, stew, or casserole
- Canned meat or fish (tuna, ham, chicken) Individual serving of shelf
- Stable Milk or a can of evaporated milk
- Single serve cups or cans of fruits and vegetables
- Single serve cups of ready to eat pudding
- Single serve box of cold cereal or Single serve packet of instant hot cereal (oatmeal, cream of wheat)
- Single serve, sealed packet of dried fruits (apricots, prunes, etc.)
- Single serve packets or a small jar of peanut butter
- Single serve, sealed packets of crackers, cheese crackers, granola bars and/or snack bars
- You may also choose to add a treat or surprise like hot chocolate packets, individually wrapped tea bags or coffee and/or individually wrapped packs of cookies.

Black History Month

The Black History Month committee is looking for volunteers to help ensure an educational and productive month of activities for our students. If you are interested in getting involved, please reach out to blackhistorymonth@daytonoaks.org

Reflections

Do you enjoy art, music and dance or have an interest in writing, producing films and taking photos? Then join us and have fun unleashing your inner artist with this year's PTA Reflections theme "Accepting Imperfection"!

Complete the following interest form to receive more information about the program

<https://forms.gle/kUgV9bvqttn5yMwE6>.

For inspiration, visit the Reflections virtual art gallery and learn more about prizes and scholarships at <https://www.pta.org/home/programs/reflections/awards>, or read about each category at <https://daytonoakspta.org/reflections.html>.

All entries must be submitted by sending to school or e-mailing reflections@daytonoakspta.org by Friday, November 22nd for judging!

Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee (SECAC)

Stay involved in upcoming SECAC happenings- [attend a meeting](#)! Next meetings are November 12 and December 3. All meetings are 7pm to 9pm at Patuxent Valley Middle School, 9151 Vollmerhausen Rd. Savage, MD

Join the PTA today!

A new school year means renewing your PTA membership. If you still need to sign-up or renew for this year, please visit our [membership store page](#) to ensure you are getting the most up to date communication on PTA events and happenings! Households joining or renewing will receive a Dayton Oaks car magnet to help show our DoIFun pride!

As a reminder, there is no requirement to attend meetings or volunteer, but membership funds help support our amazing line up events each school year!

- Join using this link → <https://tinyurl.com/joindoespta2>
- Unsure about your CURRENT membership status? Find instructions [here](#).

Box Tops - All Digital Fundraising...but we need YOU!

Quick and easy (and free!) way to help raise some funds for DOES!

How?

- **DOWNLOAD** the Box Tops app and select our school to support. (www.BTFE.com)
- **SCAN** your receipts (paper or online) and let the app do the work!
- **SPREAD THE WORD** about Box Tops! Word of mouth or you can also use the “Invite Friends” feature in the app to ask friends and family to help support our school.

More info here (including Spanish & Chinese!) -->

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xL6_tBVZ2JJ-E2wBiAvYIF9A92ZfE4-G/view?usp=share_link

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