

Mark your calendar- upcoming important dates!

- Sat, Oct 26th- Fall Fest/Trunk or Treat
- Wed, Nov 4th- PTA Meeting

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

DoIFun Run THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone for an amazing DoIFun Run!

We loved all the smiling faces and cheering crowds! Dani made a special guest appearance to congratulate all the dolphins! The event would not have been possible without the support of our wonderful volunteers and generous sponsors- THANK YOU!

There's still time for last minute contributions: <https://app.99pledges.com/fund/DOES2024>

DOES Garden

Dayton Oaks is getting a Pollinator Garden! 🌱🦋🌻🌸🌻🦋🌱👩👦👧👦

The planning is done but we need YOUR HELP with installation and planting THIS WEEKEND on Saturday, Oct 19, from 9am-4pm or Sunday, Oct 20, from 12-4pm. We are offering 1 hour time slots for flexibility.

Please consider helping us by signing up here —>

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#/showSignUp/30E0E44A9AB28A5F58-51898838-does>

Thank you and happy gardening 🧑🌾

garden@daytonoakspta.org

sMILE Trackers

Who: All DOES 1st-5th Graders

When: Every Tuesday in October during Recess

What: Be Active! Run/walk laps with friends

Why: To HAVE FUN and Be Healthy and Earn Prizes!

Students will earn a prize each week they participate and ALL students who finish 10 laps by 11/12 will be recognized and earn a reward.

Volunteers Needed: All DOES adult family members are **encouraged to volunteer** for one or more recesses to support our students remaining active and healthy. [Sign up here!](#)

Fall Festival - Oct 26th

Our highly anticipated Fall Festival is just around the corner! Mark your calendar for **Saturday, Oct 26 from 3-5pm**. Join us for trunk-or-treating, an inflatable obstacle course, pumpkin picking, and more!

Decorated trunks, candy donations and day-of volunteers are all NEEDED!!! Have fun getting creative by hosting a trunk, dropping off candy for the event, or jumping in to help ensure a safe, fun event for all. [Sign up here!](#)

Please email both fallfestival@daytonoakspta.org and board@daytonoakspta.org if you have any questions.

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>

Memory Book

The memory book committee is looking for your pictures from the **Kindergarten field trip** to the farm and our PTA sponsored **DoIFun Run!**

Please ensure only DOES students are in the picture.
Send pictures to Memorybook@daytonoakspta.org

Food on the 15th

Food on the 15th is officially here! DOES will be 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 blue bins - located in the front lobby. Stay tuned for additional opportunities to help deliver! 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.

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/kUgV9bvqtn5yMwE6>.

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

Join the PTA today!

A new school year means renewing your PTA membership. Please visit our [membership store page](#) to sign up for the new school year and 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! This includes the upcoming Fall Fest, Kona Ice for Field Day and PTA movie nights, as well as staff appreciation events.

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

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

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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