



## Frequently Asked Questions

**Who can become a PTA member?** Membership is open to anyone who is concerned with the education, health and welfare of children. This includes parents, grandparents, community members and local businesses.

**How does the PTA help the schools and our children?**

*Monetary:* In addition to your membership fee, the PTA also holds fundraising activities such as the PTA Carnival and Spirit Wear sale. Last year the PTA provided **\$33,000+** to the District's four elementary schools for support and programs. These monies were used to help fund *field trips/transportation, Netbooks/cart, playground equipment, 5<sup>th</sup> grade recorders, student planners, DARE t-shirts, positive behavior support materials, Mileage Club, Field Day snacks, and several programs/assemblies.* A portion of your membership also supports State and National advocacy efforts on behalf of all children.

*Programs:* Parent education programs are hosted by PTA throughout the year to assist parents in developing the skills they need to raise and protect their children as well as understand how to support student learning. The PTA also leads efforts to improve health and physical well-being by offering events such as Skate Nights, Mileage Club and an annual family Fun Run.

**Are there other benefits of membership?** Many local businesses have partnered with the DeWitt Elementary PTA to offer discounts on retail and services. You will also be included in and receive a copy of the PTA Membership Directory.

Biggby Coffee  
Burger King  
DeWitt Computer Center  
Domino's Pizza  
Draft House  
EDRU

Fiesta Charra  
Fifth Third Bank  
Flap Jack Restaurant  
Flotka's ATA Martial Arts  
Garden Lee  
Hair Drop

Lentz USA Service Centers  
Mary's Homestyle Restaurant  
Relli's  
Santorini Salon  
Scoopy Doo's  
Twiggies

**Do I have to attend meetings?** The PTA Board holds meetings on the third Tuesday of the month unless noted otherwise. Business is conducted at 7:00pm in the Media Center of Herbison Woods. You are not required to attend any meetings, but please feel free to join us when you can!

**Do I have to volunteer?** The PTA coordinates volunteer efforts in your child's building throughout the year, providing you with opportunities to meet staff and work with other parents. While we encourage participation at whatever level you are comfortable with, PTA membership does not obligate you to participate. It's not the amount of time you can contribute that's important, but rather your commitment to help PTA make a difference in the lives of children. PTA appreciates everyone's membership, whether or not they volunteer.

**How can I join?** Just fill out the Membership Form on the other side of this flier and send it to school with your child, along with the \$10.00 family membership fee.

**More info?** Visit our website [ptadewitt.org](http://ptadewitt.org) or email Jana Kennedy at [eyedrx2@comcast.net](mailto:eyedrx2@comcast.net)



There's a simple way for you to help enhance your child's education:
Join DeWitt Elementary PTA!

2011 - 2012 DeWitt Elementary PTA Membership Form

Parent/Guardian Name(s)
Street Address:
City/Zip:
Contact Phone Number:
Email Address:

Would you like to receive email notifications of PTA opportunities and news? YES NO

Table with 3 columns: Elementary Child's Name - First and Last, Grade, Teacher Name. Rows 1-4.

Join by October 17th to be included in and receive a free copy of the PTA Elementary Directory.

- I would like this information included in the DeWitt Elementary PTA Directory.
I want to be a member and support our children, but do NOT include me in the directory.

Signature

Please return completed form to school with the \$10.00 membership fee.
Make checks payable to DeWitt Elementary PTA.
Checks only, no cash please.