



Community Meeting
August 31, 2026
7:30pm - Google Meets

Agenda

- ★ Welcome & Introductions
- ★ What the PTO does
- ★ How the PTO communicates
- ★ Budget Overview
- ★ Budget Vote
- ★ Volunteers

2026-2027 PTO Executive Board



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What does the PTO do?

- Classroom and Schoolwide Enrichments
- Support teachers & staff
- Build community, celebrate diversity
- Support equity
- Fundraise

Communication

- Our new website - www.beyeschoolpto.org
 - Teacher's weekly email
 - Bobcat Blog
 - Occasional printed newsletter
 - Facebook (private Beye School Families group, request to join) & Instagram beyeschoolpto
- No longer using Konstella

www.beyeschoolpto.org

Features to Note:

- Events - Will find all the information about the event AND the sign up for the event
- If you want to sign up for more than an event, check out the 'Get Involved' page
- Give - donations, ticketed events can be purchased here
- Subscribe - on home page

Goal: Website is one stop shop for all things PTO

What Did Your PTO Dollars Make Possible Last Year?

Last year, PTO support helped us:

- Invest directly in classrooms
 - \$6,000 in teacher grants for classroom supports and educational enrichment
- Bring learning experiences to Beye
 - School-wide assemblies
 - Opera for the Young
 - Cultural celebrations
 - Green Team and First Grade garden
- Make PTO programs accessible to every family
 - Financial assistance so cost wasn't a barrier to participation
- Build community
 - Pancake Breakfast
 - Fun Fair
 - Book Fair
 - Family and school events
- Support students and families beyond the classroom
 - Food pantry and other family support

How We Fund The PTO

- PTO Fundraising and Community Events
 - Fun Fair, Bobcat Bolt, Plant Sale, Parents Night Out, Pancake Breakfast, Dine Outs, Beye-a-Brick, etc.
- School & Community Partnerships
 - Donations from our partners, including: Right at School, By Discovery, School Tool Box, Anderson's Books, etc.
- Use of PTO Reserves
 - We're intentionally budgeting conservatively on revenue and choosing to invest some accumulated PTO funds in Beye this year.

	SY26-27 Budget
Income	
Community Partnerships	\$13,650
<u>Fundraising Events</u>	<u>\$41,000</u>
Total for Income	\$54,650

- We have a **\$5,951** planned operating deficit
 - Expect some expenditures will be under budget
 - Additional fundraising would reduce this deficit
 - The PTO's current reserve levels can support this size of deficit for one year

Where We're Investing This Year

- Learning & Enrichment
 - \$10,340 in staff grants (max)
 - School-wide assemblies and enrichment
 - Hubbard Street Dance Program
 - Opera for the Young
 - Academic enrichment nights
 - Green Team & First Grade Garden
- Community & Belonging
 - Back-to-School and End of Year Picnics
 - Cultural celebrations like Dia de los Muertos, Lunar New Year, and Black History Month
 - Fun Fair
 - Kindergarten Blast Off & 5th Grade Celebration
 - Teacher Appreciation
 - Removing financial barriers to PTO events and activities
- Capital Improvements for Beye's Future
 - Sound system for Performing Arts
 - Other music and drama equipment
 - Trees for front of school

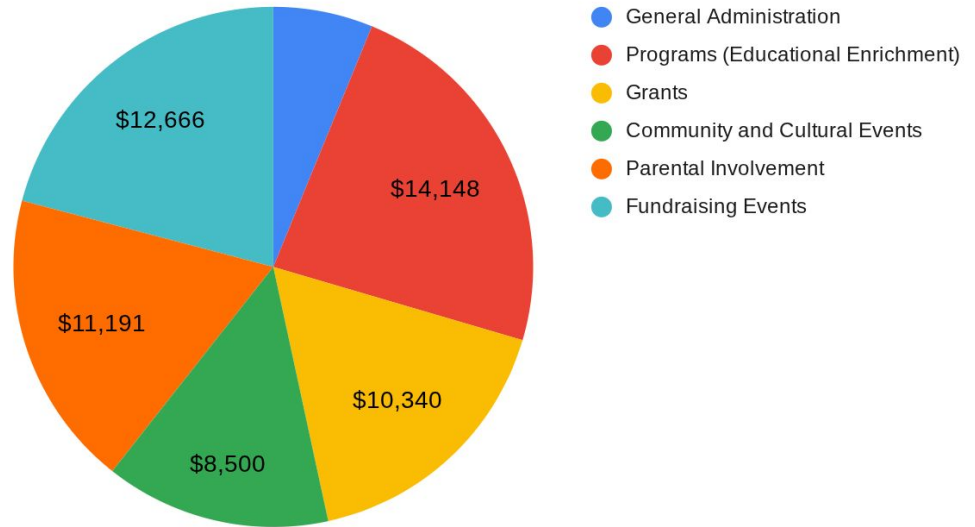
SY26-27 Operating Budget: \$60,601

That's about \$150 per Beye Student

SY26-27 Proposed Operating Budget

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Income	
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Total for Income	\$54,650
Expenses	
General Administration	\$3,756
Programs (Educational Enrichment)	\$14,148
Grants	\$10,340
Community and Cultural Events	\$8,500
Parental Involvement	\$11,191
<u>Fundraising Events</u>	<u>\$12,666</u>
Total for Expenses	\$60,601
Net Operating Income	-\$5,951

Beye School PTO SY26-27 Operating Expenses



Capital Budget: Investing in Beye for Years to Come

- Operating budget is for
 - Experiences and programs this year
- Capital budget is for
 - Investments that benefit Beye for years to come

SY26-27 Capital Budget	
Item	Cost
Performing Arts Sound System	\$10,000
Music Stands and Cello Stand Rack	\$2,360
Theater Backdrop/Scrim and Projector	\$1,200
Buddy Bench for Playground	\$1,095
PA Outdoor Speaker and Accessories	\$900
Trees (x4) for Front of School	\$645
Pop-up Tents for Events	\$300
Total	\$16,500

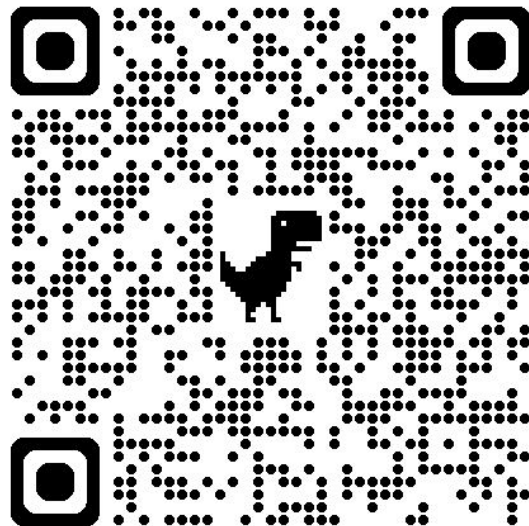
Help Us Meet Our Goals!

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

26-27 GOAL

Fun Fair	\$12,000
Bobcat Bolt	\$10,000
Plant Sale	\$9,000
Parents Night Out	\$3,500
Pancake Breakfast	\$1,500
Dine Outs	\$1,200

Please attend and participate in these amazing fundraising events that PTO volunteers arrange each year.



Vote to accept the 2026-27 PTO Budget as presented?

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August

- **Aug 24** | Supply Drop off K-2
- **Aug 26** | First Day of School
- **Aug 26** | Back to School Coffee
- **Aug 28** | Back to School Picnic
- Aug 31 | PTO General Meeting (virtual)

September

- **Sept 3** | Curriculum Night time tbd
- **Sept 10** | Dine for Dollars: 3 Spoons
- **TBD**: PTO Fantasy Football Draft

October

- Bobcat Bolt
- **Oct 15** | Fall Parent's Night Out
- **Oct 22 & 23** | Parent-Teacher Conferences
Teacher Luncheon & Book Fair
- Día de los Muertos Event

November

- Nov 13 | Urban Air Community Event with Whittier & Hatch (Proposed)
- **Turkey Trot**

December

- **TBD**: School Talent Show?

January

- **Jan 14** | Fleetwood Rollerskating Event with Whittier & Hatch
- PTO Fun Fair

February

- Lunar New Year Event
- Black History Month Event
- **Feb 11 & 12** | Parent-Teacher Conferences/ Teacher Luncheon

March

- Ridgeland Ice Skating Event with Whittier & Hatch (proposed)
- Pancake Breakfast

April

- Spring Parents' Night Out

May

- **May 3–7** | Teacher Appreciation Week
- PTO Staff Luncheon
- Plant Sale Pick-Up
- 5th Grade Graduation Event
- Olympic Day

June

- End of Year Picnic

2026-2027 PTO Needs:

- Treasurer Shadowing (no pressure, learn the ropes)
- Leads for the following events:
 - Social Events
 - Dine Out
 - Appreciation Days
 - Social Media point (Facebook, flyers)
- Build a roster of volunteers to wear the Bobcat costume at various events
- Occasional Graphic design help

Interested? president@beyeschoolpto.org



Thanks for attending

PTO wishes your family a great 2026-2027 school year!