

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year at Steele Elementary. As your PTA, we want to keep you informed of upcoming PTA and school events. This email is longer than normal. Typically, this information would come in a First Day, multi-paged Packet for you to peruse at your leisure. The beginning is a summary followed by additional information on the various topics below.

So, what does your Steele Elementary PTA do?

Here are just a few activities the Steele Elementary PTA organizes for students and staff:

- Staff Appreciation
- Library Funding
- Box Top Program
- Focus Day
- Scholastic Book Fair
- Student Activities
- Teacher Grants and Education Funding
- Enrichment Program

Membership

The Steele PTA is only as good as its membership. Please take some time to fill out your PTA Membership form by clicking on the following link ([Steele PTA Registration Form](#)). Membership is \$10 for an individual and \$20 for a family. Make sure your voice is heard by becoming a member.

By becoming a member, you can help shape the direction of the PTA for the upcoming year and years to come. The Steele PTA helps to foster community within the school. We support the teachers and staff at Steele Elementary as noted above through appreciation and educational opportunities both in and out of the classroom. In a typical year, the Steele PTA also hosts student activities to promote learning and social interactions. We also host fundraising events. Our goal is help promote community.

Meetings are conducted the second Tuesday of each month (with a few exceptions) and rotate between the morning and evening. For at least the first quarter, meetings will be held via Zoom. Updates to the location will occur as more information is available. A full list of meetings with times is located near the end of this information. A Zoom link and password will be provided prior to each meeting.

The easiest way to pay for your PTA Membership is Venmo @Steele-PTA. You may also drop a check into the PTA mailbox located near the Front Office.

PTA Events

PTA events will look different, at least for the start of the year. We want to try some new and different activities to keep our Steele Family connected while studying apart. For the first quarter, events will be at your discretion with various weekly themed days. We encourage you and your student(s) to participate as much as possible. As you participate, please take a picture or post an update to our Facebook page. Flexibility is key this year as events and locations may change. We will do our best to communicate as far ahead as possible. Like and follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/SteelePTA>.

Your PTA Officers and Contact Information is below

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President	Trudi Jackson	Trudi_jackson@yahoo.co.nz	719-629-6011
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Secretary	Ann Griner	anngriner@gmail.com	719-237-3375

Directory

The Steele Elementary Directory will be online this year. Please click the link ([Steele Elementary Student Directory Form](#)) to provide your information to keep connected with other Steele families. The link to the completed Directory will be sent out along with a password to access the information. Again, the Directory is a great way to keep in touch with other families and members of the various classrooms. Participation is optional, but please consider submitting your information by September 15 to be included in this year’s edition.

Support Steele Elementary and Steele Elementary PTA

The Steele PTA and Steele Elementary have a couple of easy fundraisers: AmazonSmile, King Soopers Community-Rewards, and Box Tops. Participation in these fundraisers is online. Please take the time to sign up for the AmazonSmile and King Soopers programs, information is included below.

How Can I Help Right Now?

Steele is collecting \$25 Gift Cards from Safeway, King Soopers and Walmart, so that we may share essential food and clothing items within our school community. If you would like to make a donation, please turn in your gift card along with its receipt to the PTA mailbox across from the Front Office, or contact Rosanne Mason (rosannepmason@gmail.com) to arrange for your gift card to be picked up. We appreciate these donations very much. Thank you!

Look for more information about the PTA and upcoming events each week as part of the school updates. Thank you for your support!

Your Steele Elementary PTA Board

Trudi, Kate, Megan, and Ann



2020-2021 Steele PTA Meeting Schedule

Meetings will be held by Zoom unless otherwise advised.

Meeting ID 355 066 1059

Password will be provided

PTA Meetings at 8:30 am and 6:00 pm

Tuesday, September 8, 2020 – 8:30 am and 6:00 pm

Tuesday, October 13, 2020 – 8:30 am

Tuesday, November 10, 2020 – 6:00 pm

Tuesday, December 8, 2020 – 8:30 am

Tuesday, January 12, 2021 – 6:00 pm

Tuesday, February 9, 2021 – 8:30 am

Tuesday, March 16, 2021 – 6:00 pm (**no school on March 9*)

Tuesday, April 13, 2021 – 8:30 am

Tuesday, May 11, 2020 – 6:00 pm

PTA Events:

We want to create some school spirit even while studying apart. Each week we will have a theme. We will call them Theme Days, but the day can be any in the week. Post a picture of your child(ren) participating on the Steele Elementary PTA page. As always, participation is optional.

August 24 – Steele Star Week. Let's kick off the week with Steele Star wear or create artwork with stars to show off your spirit!

August 31 – Crazy Hair Day. Add some color...Create a faux-hawk...Crimp or style your hair in a crazy way. The options are endless!

September 8 – Hero Day. Right after Labor Day, dress up as your Hero. Doctor, Nurse, Firefighter, Astronaut, Sports Star, Mom, Dad, or anyone you look up to as your Hero!

September 14 – Outdoor Scavenger Hunt. We provide the list and you see if you can find these items in your neighborhood or outdoor walk/hike.

September 21 – The 19th is National Dance Day. Let's have a dance party and show off your best moves.

September 28 – Sidewalk Chalk Day. What can you create on your sidewalk? This summer we saw the whole evolution of the dinosaurs on a sidewalk in our neighborhood. What is your inspiration?

October 5 – Bike/Walk Week. It's Walk to School week. Rather than walking to school take a walk around your neighborhood or on a trail. Get outside and enjoy the fall weather!

October 12 – Hidden Talent Week. What can you do that makes YOU unique? We want to know! Post your hidden talent on the Steele PTA Facebook page.

If you choose to participate, please take some time to snap a picture and post it to the Steele PTA Facebook page.

AmazonSmile:

AmazonSmile is an easy way to support a favorite charity in your community and we hope you will support the Steele Elementary PTA! When you shop at Amazon and select the “United Steele Workers PTA” as your charity, 0.5% of your purchase will go directly to the PTA.

Managing your AmazonSmile Account

You can manage your purchases and other account information on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile using a single account. You can use your existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile if you have one, or create a new account at <https://smile.amazon.com> if you do not.

Choosing Steele Elementary PTA

On your first visit to <https://smile.amazon.com>, you will be prompted to select a charitable organization. Search for the United Steele Workers PTA. After selection, a portion of purchases made at smile.amazon.com will automatically fund the PTA.

Need to Change Your Charitable Organization to the United Steele Workers PTA?

To change your charitable organization at <https://smile.amazon.com> (desktop or mobile browser), simply select “Your Account” from the navigation at the top of any page, and then select the option to “Change your Charity”. You can also visit AmazonSmile under settings on your Amazon Shopping app on your iOS or Android phone and select “Change your Charity.”

For more information go to Amazon.com and click on AmazonSmile at the bottom of the page.

King Soopers Community-Rewards Program:

The Kroger Family of Companies is committed to community engagement, positive social impact and charitable giving at the local level. One way is through the King Soopers Community Rewards Program. By shopping for your normal food and necessities, a percentage of your purchase is donated to the Steele Elementary PTA.

To get started, follow the instructions below.

1. Go to [Kingsoopers.com](https://kingsoopers.com)
2. Log into or create your digital account: You need a King Soopers digital account to participate. If you already have a digital account, simply link your Shopper's Card to your account so that all transactions apply toward the organization you choose.
3. Search for and select Steele Elementary PTA. If you need to review or revisit your organization of choice you can do some under our Account details.

Find an Organization

Steele Elementary PTA

Filter by type of Organization: All

Search Results

Organization Name Cory Elementary School PTA	Organization Name Steele Elementary School PTA	Organization Name Academy Endeavour Elementary School PTA
Organization Address 1550 S. Steele Street Denver, CO 80210	Organization Address 1720 North Weber St. Colorado Springs, CO 80907	Organization Address 3475 Hampton Park Dr Colorado Springs, CO 80920
<input type="button" value="Enroll"/>	<input type="button" value="Enroll"/>	<input type="button" value="Enroll"/>

4. Steele Elementary PTA earns! Any transactions moving forward using the Shopper's Card Number associated with your account will be applied to the Reward Program.

Additional information for Community-Rewards is located at the bottom of the [Kingsoopers.com](https://kingsoopers.com) home page under the Community section. Follow the information to either build an account, link your card, or update your charitable organization.

Box Tops for Education:

The Box Tops program is changing to fit today's families. The new and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.



If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. Box Tops are still worth 10¢ each for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.

Find the right app for you by visiting your app store and searching for Box Top\$ for Education.



After shopping, scan a copy of your receipt. The app will identify participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to Steele Elementary School's earnings online.