



PS 98 PTA

THE DOUGLASTON SCHOOL
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Welcome PS 98 Families!

We would like to **welcome** new and returning **families** to the 2026-2027 school year and **invite you to get involved** in your Parent-Teacher Association.

If you are a parent or guardian of a PS 98 student or a PS 98 staff member, you are automatically a member of the PTA!

Your PS 98 PTA:

- Provides support and resources to the school for the benefit and educational growth of all students
- Fosters and encourages parent participation.
- Builds community and develops a cooperative working relationship between the parents and staff of our school

Please complete and return the attached form in your child's backpack.

This year, the **first PTA meeting** will be in-person on **Wednesday, September 30th at 5 pm.**

Starting in October, PTA meetings will be held VIRTUALLY via Zoom on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7pm (unless noted otherwise). **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** We will share the Zoom link via email.

PTA EXECUTIVE BOARD CONTACT INFO:

If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions please contact the PTA Executive Board. Every Board Member is a parent of a child at PS 98. We are always happy to hear our families' voices.

Email us at: ps98pta@ps98pta.com

We are excited to work with you to ensure every PS 98 student receives a well-rounded education that promotes both academic and personal development.

Thank you and we can't wait to see you!

The PS 98 PTA Executive Board

Co-Presidents: Mary Alice Dadras and Conrad Richards

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Get involved in the PS 98 Parent Teacher Association by:

1. Participating in PTA meetings.
 2. Making your voluntary membership contribution to support PTA sponsored programs for all students. 100% of your donation goes to PTA programs!
 3. Volunteering to help with school events!
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The link will be sent in an email. If you are NOT already on the PTA email list, please send your contact information to ps98pta@ps98pta.com or return this completed form via your child's backpack and we will add you!

CHILD'S NAME: _____

CHILD'S CLASS: _____

PARENT'S EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

2. Make a voluntary membership contribution!

Donations are our most important resource!

Donations are tax-deductible.

This year, **the PTA will spend about \$270 per child.**

Our goal this year is for 100% of families to contribute **ANY AMOUNT**.

To make your annual membership contribution, please do one of the following:

- a. Send a check made out to "**PS 98 PTA**" in the envelope back to school with your child, or Go to <https://ps98member2526.givesmart.com/> or scan the QR code and make your voluntary



contribution by credit card.

- b. Funds received go directly to programs for all PS 98 students. Because schools are funded according to enrollment numbers, our DOE budget is very small. We receive **NO FEDERAL MONEY** and are not eligible for a great majority of the grants given to larger schools.

Some of the PS 98 PTA Sponsored programs are-

- DOE Licensed **Art Teacher**
 - **Classroom supplies & Teacher Appreciation**
 - **Enrichment Assemblies, Library Books, Field trips, Gardening** and more!
- None of this would be possible without the generous contributions of the PS 98 families!
THANK YOU!

3. I would like to volunteer to help! (Thank you!)

Please circle **all that apply** and fill out your information on the bottom of this form.

*Please note all events are subject to change

EVENT	WHEN	DESCRIPTION
Book Fair	November 2 & 4 and at the Fair on Nov. 5	Parents set up and organize inventory, help children find books, tally prices and pay for items with their own money, and clean up & count ending inventory.
Fall Festival	November 5	Weather permitting, we will have an outdoor event with games and food in the school playground.
Thanksgiving Pie Sale	November 25	Help pick up and distribute pies
Holiday Sale	Set up 12/1; sale 12/2 and 12/3	Parents set up and organize inventory, help children find items, tally prices and pay for items with their own money, and clean up & count ending inventory.
Winter Festival	December 12	Parents help plan and organize winter activities for families.
Summer in Winter Party	January 23	Family fun with summer activities at the school cafeteria with games, food and music. Parents help plan and organize.
Soiree	March/April	A wonderful evening party of hors d'oeuvres, drink samples, auction items, and fun! Help us plan a lovely evening for all and raise money for PTA programs.
Staff Appreciation Week	May 3-7	Parents suggest/plan activities & events, shop for supplies online or in-store, set up activities for staff during the day.
World's Fair	May 22	Help plan this wonderful, all school event celebrating culture, diversity, and the amazing foods of the PS 98 community and more! All kinds of volunteers needed!
Movie Night	June	Parents set up food and crafts and help at the PTA tables during the movie night at the plaza.
On Call Volunteer		If you are not sure right now how you can help but would like to be involved in the future, circle this option and we will contact you when we need volunteers! :) Thank you!

Please print CLEARLY!

Volunteer's Name: _____

Volunteer's Email: _____

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO READ AND COMPLETE THIS FORM.
HAVE A WONDERFUL SCHOOL YEAR!

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