

What You Do Matters!

Good education isn't just about teachers and school. What you do as a parent really counts.

There have been hundreds of research studies on the effects of parent involvement in schools, and they all show the same thing: When parents get involved in their children's education, good things happen.

Among those things:

- Grades go up
- Test scores rise
- Behavior improves

Plus, children with involved parents are more likely to go on to further their education after high school. And when many parents help they build a true school community.

PTO Officers

Which office are you interested in?

2013—2014 Offices

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Committees

Membership Committee

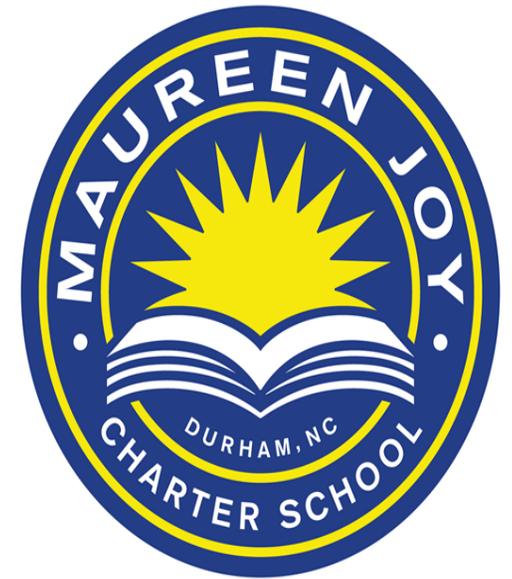
Standing Committee

Special Events Committee

And so many more!

*To run for office please email us at
pto@joycharter.org*

*Elections will take place October 29th, 2013
@ Maureen Joy Charter School*



Maureen Joy Parent Teacher Organization

**How to get involved in your child's
education**



Getting Started

Talking with your child about school is a simple, but key, first step. Find out about his/her likes & dislikes, what comes easy and what doesn't, and things that make him/her uncomfortable or stressed. The more specific your questions, the more likely you are to get a real answer.

Students do best when parents & teachers work together as partners.

Communication with the teacher is important too. Let the teacher know about things that may affect your child's performance: strengths & weaknesses, learning style, study habits, special interest, etc. The teacher is an expert in education, but no one knows more about your child than you. Another thing you can do is attend school events. Your children sees school as an integral part of your family life, and that's and important connection.

Let's Work Together as Partners



Join the PTO Today!

A great way to learn more about your school, get connected with parents and get involved in the process is to join MJCS Parent-Teacher Organization. Parent groups play an important role in building the kind of supportive school environment where both students and teachers can do their best work.

MJCS PTO meets in (Where, when) each month. Meetings are informal, all attendees can participate in the discussions.

For a full list of this year's PTO meeting dates, officers and our exciting list of free monthly family activities, please see the back of this brochure. Don't hesitate to contact any of the officers to learn more about the PTO and ways you can become a part of this fun group.



10 Reasons to Try it

We all know how busy life can get, but consider a few reasons why getting involved in your child's school through participation on the PTO is a win-win situation for everyone involved.

1. Your child benefits
2. We can be a positive influence on our school and its students
3. We have FUN
4. You can meet other parents who share your concerns & commitment to education
5. We will honor your time
6. There's a lot to be done
7. We can match your interests to the PTO needs
8. We're welcoming
9. We're about parent involvement first
10. Volunteering on PTO is rewarding

