LEONARDO DA VINCI PTO PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

NEWSLETTER

January 2025

Mark your Calendars

- January 7th: 5:30pm PTO virtual meeting. Click here for the link.
- January 16th, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm: Taste of India fundraiser for grades K-4
- January 23rd, 5:00 om to 8:00 pm: Taste of India fundraiser for grades 5-8

Trivia night:

The 2025 Trivia night fundraiser will be held on February 20, 2025, at the Badger State Brewing Company from 5:00 to 9:00 pm. More details to follow. Please reach out to Dr. Pooja Bambha Arora if you wish to donate gift baskets for the silent auction at poojabambha@gmail.com

Chess club chair needed!

The Chess Club Chair position remains open. This club has been extremely popular with our students who have won accolades at chess tournaments. The chair will need to monitor students and ensure order**. No chess skills are needed.**

Board officers needed:
2025-2027 Board officers needed for positions of secretary and treasurer.
Please reach out if interested:
Ldavincipto@gmail.com

The mission of the PTO is to supplement and enrich the educational experience at Leonardo Davinci school and foster collaboration between parents and teachers at the school. The PTO is a not-for-profit organization that relies on fundraisers and donations from members. In the past, the PTO has supported students and teachers by donating school supplies such as musical instruments, books, science models, PE equipment, supporting field trips, organizing events and activities such as Trivia night and October fest and making donations for smart boards. We show teachers appreciation by supporting their dinners during PTO conferences, lunch during teacher appreciation week and present gifts during the holidays! Check out the 2024-2025 budget in the budget meeting minutes right here:

October meeting minutes

2024-2025 Teacher's wish list

Interested in donating items to the classroom? Teachers have put a list together of items needed. After purchasing items, please enter your name next to the item and the number purchased if more than one is needed, so that we know the wish was granted. Thank you to all who have already granted wishes.
Click here for the list!

2024-25 Teacher's Favorite Things

Want to give a special something to a teacher but not sure what they like?
Click here for a list of your teacher's favorite things!

Thank you to everyone who participate in our fundraisers, volunteer at our events or just attend them. Your presence makes a difference. Thank you for your time and effort!
Last year, besides the usual contribution and activities, the PTO donated almost $20,000 to the school which was used to purchase 4 smartboards. Think of these as whiteboard sized Ipads. They have been a big hit with teachers and students and the school would like to purchase an additional 3 smartboards which will cost approximately $15,000. As you can see, we have a long way to go! Please help the school provide our students with the very best educational experience by participating in fundraisers and making donations. Every donation dollar goes towards student enrichment. The PTO relies on fundraisers and donations.

The PTO is a 501(C)(3) organization, and any donation is tax deductible. Please consider donating by writing a check to:

Leonardo Da Vinci School PTO INC
139 S Monroe Ave
Green Bay, WI 54301

Popcorn Tuesdays with Margarita Johnson:
Popcorn Tuesdays are a fun way of getting involved with the PTO and spending time with your student, their friends and other families. Sign up here today!

The PTO has other ways to help generate funds for the events and projects that we sponsor throughout the year. Our students, teachers and staff work so hard all year, and we are thrilled when we can make things a little easier for them. Check out our website davincipto.com for some easy options to add money to our budget.
Many employers offer a match program when their employee chooses to donate towards a non-profit.

If you're interested in donating towards the LdV PTO, which uses the funds to support our students, staff and school, please consider discussing this option with your Human Resource Department. We are always looking for new ideas so please reach out if you have any great ideas to fundraise.
Interested in other volunteer activities? please reach out at
Ldavincipto@gmail.com
Remember parent volunteering boosts your student's confidence in school.

The restaurant fundraising, Holiday Scrip, teacher appreciation and teacher conference chair positions have been filled. Thank you, Lisa, Morgan, Kelly and Neha, for taking on these positions.

PTO Chairs

- Harvest Fest: Morgan Doshi and Jackie Krutz jackiekrutz@gmail.com
- Scrip/Marcus Cinema/Back to School: Becca Tassone and Jeff Pergolski: **becca_razza@hotmail.com** jeff.pergolski@gmail.com
- Popcorn: Margarita Johnson mapuc@hotmail.com
- Trivia night: Pooja Bambha Arora: mailto:poojabambha@gmail.com
- Apparel: Charlene Kleindl charkleindl@gmail.com
- Game night: Neisha Schmidt: nlschmidt@gbaps.org
- Holiday Scrip: Kelly Boucher: Kbasken@hotmail.com
- Chess Club: **open**
- Restaurant Fundraiser: Neha Thapa
- Teacher appreciation week: Lisa Hansen and Morgan Doshi

PTO connect

Thank you to everyone who has submitted their information to the PTO Connect. Do not forget, teachers will not distribute a class list, so the PTO Connect is the best way to contact classmates and families. This information is especially useful for planning birthday parties and playdates. If you have not included your information yet, use the **link** to connect with the great community at Leonardo da Vinci! Please note, if you have submitted your information in previous years, it is carried forward into the new year. However, if you have a new student at da Vinci (including younger siblings new to the school) please consider adding your information. **The PTO connect is only shared with parents who submit their information. It is never posted in public.**

When your child graduates or if you move out of the school, please inform us so your profile may be deleted, and you are not inundated with messages from us! We don't automatically take you off the mailing list.

** Only those families who have chosen to submit their information are included in the PTO Connect. Typically, the updated PTO Connect link is sent out to participating families by the end of September. When you receive the link, we ask that you do not share the information with others.

** The PTO Connect is a live document. This means that as new submissions or changes are received, the updates are made by an officer and will then be reflected in the document. The URL will stay the same and can be accessed at any time with up-to-date information.

** Each year a link is provided to a brand-new online document. All prior years' links have been disabled and cannot be accessed.

** Please review the information for each of your children. If there are any changes to be made now or at any time throughout the year or you wish for any information to be removed, fill out a new form and we will update your entry. There is a section within the form to list changes or items to be removed. Please be specific. The entry form can always be accessed from our website. Here is the **link.**

** Students are listed by grade and each grade has an individual tab within the spreadsheet. Students are **not** broken up by base team. **The PTO *does not and will not* have lists of base teams at any point throughout the school year, as the school keeps this information confidential.**

** The PTO Connect is not printer-friendly, and since it is updated from time-to-time, we suggest you create a link on your phone or mobile device or add it to your favorites for easy access whenever you need it.

Families who have chosen to be included in the PTO Connect are also added to our e-mail contact list and will receive regular communication from the PTO. If you wish to opt out of PTO e-mail communications, please let us know.
Feel free to contact us with any questions!

Happy New Year!

2024-2025 PTO officers

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- **Treasurer: Margarita Johnson:** mapuc@hotmail.com

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