

# 2008-2009 PTA Survey Results

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## What PTA events/activities would you like to see continued next year? (Check all that apply.)

# of people who answered this question	38	97.44%
Ice Cream Social	31	12.60%
Year End Picnic	35	14.23%
Talent Show	27	10.98%
Family Fun Nights	26	10.57%
Rosy Gives Back Program	32	13.01%
Popcorn Days	26	10.57%
Valentine Sweet Sale & Buddy Pictures	20	8.13%
Holiday Pancake Breakfast	11	4.47%
Battle of the Books	22	8.94%
Candy Cane-grams	16	6.50%
Total responses to this question	246	100.00%

## Rosy PTA provides financial support for teacher-directed and school activities. Please choose those that you would like to see the PTA continue to support. (Choose all that apply.)

# of people who answered this question	38	97.44%
Assemblies	35	18.92%
Accelerated Reader Store	29	15.68%
Grade Level Field Trips	37	20.00%
Teacher Appreciation Week	32	17.30%
Teacher Conference Dinners	26	14.05%
Book Fair	26	14.05%
Total responses to this question	185	100.00%

## Do you feel you know enough about how Rosy PTA's money is spent?

# of people who answered this question	38	97.44%
yes	15	39.47%
no	23	60.53%
Total responses to this question	38	100.00%

**Rosy PTA is shifting from paper communication to emails and website links. Do you feel this is a move in the right direction?**

# of people who answered this question	37	94.87%
yes	36	97.30%
no	1	2.70%
Total responses to this question	37	100.00%

**What is your preferred method of communication? (Check all that apply)**

# of people who answered this question	38	97.44%
Email	38	67.86%
Paper Flyer	3	5.36%
Website	10	17.86%
Phone	5	8.93%
Total responses to this question	56	100.00%

**We'd like to boost attendance at the PTA General Meetings. What kind of topics would be interesting enough to draw you to a meeting? (Check all that apply)**

# of people who answered this question	31	79.49%
Children's Media & Internet Safety	19	22.62%
Child Development	12	14.29%
District Information (bond, growth, etc.)	13	15.48%
Parenting Topics	15	17.86%
Family Math Night	13	15.48%
Writer's Workshop for Parents & Students	12	14.29%
Total responses to this question	84	100.00%

**Please select your preferred time for a PTA Meeting. (Check all that apply)**

# of people who answered this question	35	89.74%
Morning	4	9.52%
Afternoon	8	19.05%
Evening	30	71.43%
Total responses to this question	42	100.00%

**Please select all that apply to you**

# of people who answered this question	38	97.44%
Parent	36	69.23%
Teacher/Staff Member	1	1.92%
Not a member of the PTA	15	28.85%
Total responses to this question	52	100.00%

**Will you become a member of Rosy Mound PTA next year and support your child's school?**

# of people who answered this question	36	92.31%
yes	26	72.22%
no	10	27.78%
Total responses to this question	36	100.00%

**Which fundraising options would you like to see at Rosy next year? (leave blank if you do NOT want them for next year).**

# of people who answered this question	38	97.44%
Janie's Cookie Dough	8	4.94%
Jog-a-thon	35	21.60%
Playground Merchant Cards	18	11.11%
Meijer Rewards	26	16.05%
Box Tops	28	17.28%
Campbell's Soup Labels	25	15.43%
"No Sell" fundraising - Local Restaurants giving Rosy Mound % of Sales for dining there.	22	13.58%
Total responses to this question	162	100.00%

**Would you participate in another Rosy Jogathon Fundraiser next year?**

# of people who answered this question	38	97.44%
yes	37	97.37%
no	1	2.63%
Total responses to this question	38	100.00%

**Have you visited the Rosy PTA Website?**

# of people who answered this question	37	94.87%
yes	25	67.57%
no	12	32.43%
Total responses to this question	37	100.00%

**Do you feel the information on the Website is useful?**

# of people who answered this question	36	92.31%
yes	24	66.67%
no	0	0.00%
have not visited	12	33.33%
Total responses to this question	36	100.00%

**Have you volunteered for any PTA events/activities during the 2008-2009 school year?**

# of people who answered this question	37	94.87%
yes	26	70.27%
no	11	29.73%
Total responses to this question	37	100.00%

**If you have NOT volunteered for any PTA events please indicate why. (Check all that apply.)**

# of people who answered this question	12	30.77%
Not enough time to volunteer	11	91.67%
No one contacted me to volunteer	0	0.00%
Unaware of volunteer opportunities	1	8.33%
Type of available opportunities to volunteer	0	0.00%
Total responses to this question	12	100.00%

**Overall, how satisfied are you with Rosy PTA?**

# of people who answered this question	38	97.44%
Extremely Satisfied	11	28.95%
Satisfied	26	68.42%
Unsatisfied	1	2.63%
Total responses to this question	38	100.00%

**Do you have any comments on the Rosy Jogathon Fundraiser?**

Individual Responses	22	56.41%
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## Open-ended Responses

**Please feel free to provide any suggestions or comments regarding Rosy Mound PTA.**

Miss the Little Caesar's and Sally Foster fund raiser. Most of our family lives out of town so we missed out on their donations (other than jog-a-thon) and they inquired about the above 2 fund raisers.

I work full-time and sometimes long hours/travel for work. I would like to have other ways to contribute to the school like buying some needed supplies and dropping them off. It would be great to be aware of those opportunities and events that could use that kind of help.

THANKS for a job well done in 2008-2009!

really need to see a budget with a plan ....posted maybe on line more like how a business runs things so people are more inclined to help if they believe in the cause.

I think the PTA does a fantastic job...some things I don't participate as I'm the grandmother and the boys and their dad live with us. I participate as much as I can but not wholly due to lack of time and some inabilities. But Thank you for all the time and effort you all put in.

Is there any way PTA can get more involved with giving input into curriculum direction for each grade level? For example, having the teachers encourage students to use cursive after learning it, more practice in typing/keyboarding, more projects geared toward the childrens' level with less help from parents.

This was our first year at Rosy Mound with 3 kids in various grades. We look forward to being more involved next year, but it is hard with one full-time parent who commutes to GR and a stay-at-home parent that has a young child home too. We LOVE to help!!!--but find it hard to find opportunities where we can help WITH a child along. Any at-home help you might need for anything, or any tasks we could do with a younger one along would be great to know!

I would like Rosy to continue with the healthy activity programs. I thought it was ironic that one month it was a healthy program full of activities, but then the following month we attended the book night, and there were cookies, ice cream , and other treats at EACH stop! Then the candy sale, the candy rewards and the other unhealthy choices we are promoting to our kids, doesn't fit the article in the paper about Rosy promoting health.

It would be great to see the PTA roles and responsibilities, and volunteer opportunities (events and programs) defined on the website. If we were interested in volunteering

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for an event or activity we would know exactly what that required before we signed up for it. Also, it would be great to know how many volunteers you need or don't need for the events. That way if there is a need in a certain area, we could take a look at that online. Thank you.

I really liked the event that took place in February or March of this year. I think it was Family Fun Night? It had the obstacle course and other fitness activities. I hope Rosy Mound continues with this event.  
Thank you.

I liked the health / fitness focus of this year's family fun night and fundraiser

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On your website the minutes & the budgets need to be on there and the PTA bylaws. The minutes are very scarce. Also you should provide a list at every meeting of members, so you're within PTA voting guidelines. If I can't see where the money is going, why would I want to support my school???

Hoping for some positive change next school year. Rosy has a reputation for being somewhat arrogant.

I would like to see a year calendar with pictures from some of the school events or kids' art work. I think every parent would buy it at the beginning of the year. Before we moved we used to buy one from my son's previous school and it had community and school events on it. Very helpful and a great way to raise funds. I have a sample you can see if you need additional information

please bring back the pizza kits fundraiser! Or maybe the subs. Stuff like that sells really well. Also the candy bars are a hit for parents to sell at work. I sold 2 boxes in less than 1 hr at Gentex Corp. Also my child used to attend (Rockford) and to encourage the children to bring in box tops and other labels they would have a competition between all the classes. The class with the most box tops would receive a pizza party, and the second place class would get ice cream. They would send out a bar graph with all the teachers and show who was in the lead. My kids remind everyone to save box tops! If they have some kind of reward or goal it will encourage them to start saving and asking grandma to save etc. Just some suggestions. Thanks

## Open-ended Responses

### Do you have any comments on the Rosy Jogathon Fundraiser?

nope.

It was amazing! The parents and teachers did an exceptional job! give back to community some as well..or another less fortunate school It was a great way to raise money and not have to have the kids going door to door so many times a year; they have to do it for cub scouts and church and sometimes I'm sure our neighbors groan when they see the kids coming to the door once again :))

Great Job!

What a great turn-out! For parents at home with preschoolers & under, it would have been nice to know what we could have done at home to help--or what we could help with, with a kiddo in tow. Looking forward to next year!!

I wish it was not done during the school day. There are A LOT of activities that parents are asked to attend during the day (jog a thon, music performance, holiday parties, field trips, mom's and dad's day, reader, birthday lunch etc). Many of us work and with the times the way they are today, we cannot attend many of the events.

I was very happy to see every child receive a T-shirt even if they were not able to participate in the event. My son received one even though we were out of state on vacation during the event. Thank you PTA.

Awesome!

That was AWESOME!!! My daughter had a GREAT time with the Jogathon..she still talks about it.

I loved it and hope that we have reached your goal of it being the only fundraiser needed for 09-10. The kids were so excited about it, the volunteers did such an awesome job. I think next year will be even better because the kids will "get it"...mine were a little anxious this year because they didn't really understand what it was all about.

It was a great, fun event.  
great success. most positive fundraiser.

Extremely well organized and kids motivated. Can this be a tax deductible contribution ?

I loved the idea of raising money, having fun, and seeing the kids exercise.

What a great way to get the students involved and watch them really get geared up for this type of fundraiser. I really think this was a sensational idea!! Kudos to all of you!!

kids loved it and it raised alot of money for the school.

My kids LOVED it! I thought it was a quick and easy fundraiser.

It was a great event, and you should do it again next year. The only suggestion I have is to be up front about where the money is going at the beginning of the fundraising. It was confusing to Rosy Mound parents because the money was supposed to go to fund the PTA budget, but it was changed to a "Playground Fundraiser" half-way through the event.

best fundraiser ever! not because of the amount of money made, but because of the way it brought everyone together for a great cause! also because of the way it inspired kids to get up and be active!

Awesome event - COuld be great if it was the only fundraising event!  
That was a fun and healthy event and all kids enjoyed it so much. It promotes a healthy life style.