

# Parent & Teacher Association (PTA) Newsletter

Andover  
Elementary School  
**SEPT 2021**



## Welcome (Back) to School!

Welcome back to those teachers and families returning to AES for another year – and welcome to those that are joining us for the first time!

We're only a week and a half into school but we're already off to great start:

- If you attended the Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> **Meet-and-Greet**, hopefully you stopped by to say hello and grab a ticket for a free ice cream at the ice cream truck!
- Principal Briody reported that the **Staff and Teacher Appreciation Luncheon** paid for by the PTA was also a great success!
- The **first PTA meeting of the school year** was held Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> as a joint in-person/virtual meeting. Want to know what you missed? All [meeting minutes](#) are posted on the "PTA" webpage of the AES website.
- We've started a new committee: the **AES PTA Green Team** !  
(See pg. 3 for more details!)
- **Back to School Night** is September 22<sup>nd</sup> 5-8 p. Please stop by the PTA table in the gym and say hello!



## Join the PTA Today!

The PTA works to ensure AES is a great place for Andover children to learn, grow and have fun! **Membership is open to any AES teacher, staff member, or parent/guardian.** Participate as much or as little as your time allows. Standing committees include:

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|----------------------|-----------------|
| -- Bingo Night       | -- Book Fair    |
| -- Craft Fair        | -- Enrichment   |
| -- Fundraisers       | -- Green Team   |
| -- Holiday Breakfast | -- Hospitality  |
| -- Variety Show      | -- Science Fair |

In addition, or alternatively, you can sign up to be a classroom parent.

**Ready to join? Return the form at the end of this newsletter or go to**

<https://tinyurl.com/Andover-PTA>

**NEXT PTA MEETING:  
TUESDAY OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup> @ 7:00 PM  
AES Library or Google Meets (See pg. 2)**

Contact  
Information

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(Lucie – President)

Website:  
<https://tinyurl.com/Andover-PTA>

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## Welcome New Officers!



### Meghan Lally, Recording Secretary

Hi all! This is my children's second year at AES - Shay (1<sup>st</sup> grade) and Ian (Pre-K). Outside of PTA, I work full-time as an environmental analyst and enjoy being active outdoors and reading historical fiction. I look forward to getting involved in PTA this year, particularly with the Green Team and the Science Fair committees!



### Brienne (Bree) Lanzieri, Membership Coordinator

Hello! This is my daughter Charlotte's third year at AES - this year however she has made the move from pre-k to K! Outside of PTA, I work full-time as a forecast and modeling manager. I enjoy swimming, Disney and am an avid reader. I look forward to getting involved with the PTA this year and hope to contribute to making this a successful school year for the children!

## Join our new committee: The AES PTA GREEN TEAM!

The PTA is excited to announce the launch of a new committee – the Green Team! Activity of the committee will be guided by the interest of its members, but some possible ideas are:

- **Support AES environmental sustainability Initiatives** such as school recycling/composting or establishing an outdoor classroom.
- **Celebrate 'green' holidays such as CT Recycles Day and Earth Day** by organizing fun ecofriendly events such as a recycled 'trashy' fashion show or wildlife-friendly crafts.
- **Develop new eco-friendly fundraisers** such as a fall bulb sale, a spring pollinator plant sale, or an eco-craft fair.

Sound interesting? Email [Meghan.lally@andoverpta.org](mailto:Meghan.lally@andoverpta.org) to join!



## 2021-2022 Officers

### Lucie Wilson

Co-President

### Celeste Willard

Co-President

### Lori Blake

Vice President

### Marianella Chalfant

Treasurer

### Brienne Lanzieri

Membership Coordinator

### Meghan Lally

Recording Secretary

## Follow-Us on Social Media!

Facebook

[@AndoverElementary  
SchoolPTA](https://www.facebook.com/AndoverElementarySchoolPTA)

Instagram [@AES-PTA](https://www.instagram.com/AES-PTA)

## PTA Meetings

PTA meetings are held the **FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:00 P.M.** in the AES Library and remotely.

## Google Meet Instructions To Join Remotely:

Join by Computer:  
[meet.google.com/  
oye-zivd-akx](https://meet.google.com/oye-zivd-akx)

Join by phone  
(US) +1 701-484-3766  
(PIN: 493335017)

## 2021 AES Meet-and-Greet Recap

We had a blast at this year's meet and greet! (Thank you to whichever member was in charge of coordinating the weather this year!) It was wonderful to meet so many of the AES students, parents, and teachers – thank you all for stopping by the PTA table to say hello. And a huge thank you to Superintendent Bruneau for suggesting the ice cream truck – we hope everyone got a sweet treat!



## Easy Breezy Ways to Support PTA:

- **Purchase gift cards for places you regularly shop through SCRIP!** Go to <https://shop.shopwithscrip.com> and use school code: **47F822L655L32** to order gift cards at face value. A donation will automatically be made to the PTA each time you shop, at no cost to you. Please allow 2-4 weeks for receipt. (You can of course purchase gift cards as gifts too!)
- **Shop AmazonSmile and select AES PTA\* as your charity!** Each time you shop through [amazon.com](https://amazon.com) a donation will be made to the PTA – at no additional cost to you! Just select **\*"Ptaa Connecticut Inc Andover PTA"** as your charity, shop through [amazon.com](https://amazon.com) and 0.5% of each purchase total will be matched as a donation to the PTA – at no cost to you. (And trust us – those small donations add up!) For instructions, read this article: [How to Sign Up for Amazon Smile](#)

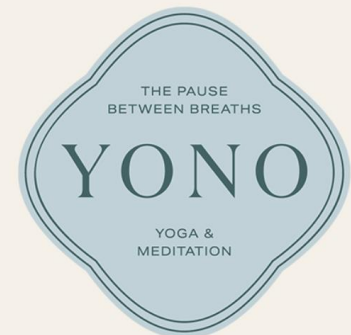
**Please submit your membership form and dues by October 1st.**

## CLASSROOM WISH LIST



Need something for your classroom? Let us know!

## BUSINESS PARTNER OF THE MONTH



### YoNo Yoga & Meditation

59 Church Street,  
Willimantic

<https://yono.willimantic.com/>

**Between Sept 15<sup>th</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup> a generous portion of each drop-in class fee will be donated to the AES PTA!**

See the YoNo website for schedule.



# Andover Elementary School PTA

## 2021-2022 Membership Application

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade & Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

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Family Membership \$15 (1 vote) \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher Membership \$10 (1 vote) \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Donation \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Make Checks payable to: Andover PTA**

**Please return form  
and membership fee  
by October 1, 2021**

I would be interested in participating in monthly meetings:  
\_\_\_\_\_ in person \_\_\_\_\_ via Google Meet

I prefer to receive communications via (check all that apply):  
\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Website \_\_\_\_\_ Facebook \_\_\_\_\_ Instagram \_\_\_\_\_ Flyer Sent Home

I am interested in helping with the following committees:

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|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| _____ Bingo Night       | _____ Hospitality                |
| _____ Book Fair         | _____ Room Parent _____ Grade(s) |
| _____ Craft Fair        | _____ Spring Fundraiser          |
| _____ Fall Fundraiser   | _____ Spring Variety Show        |
| _____ Green Team        | _____ Science Fair               |
| _____ Holiday Breakfast |                                  |

Would you be interested in serving as a committee co-chair? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Maybe

If you'd like more information about these committees, additional donations, or the PTA in general, feel free to contact us at [andoverelempta@gmail.com](mailto:andoverelempta@gmail.com).

Please return this form and payment to AES in an envelope labeled "PTA Membership" by 10/01/21.

Thank you! 😊