



WEST CHESTER EAST HIGH SCHOOL PTO

To enhance the learning environment of West Chester East High School by providing materials and activities that will enrich the experience of high school for all of our students.

Welcome!

All faculty and parents/guardians of East students are members of the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). Parental support, both volunteer and financial, enables the PTO to achieve our mission of helping West Chester East to excel.

What we do:

- **Teacher Mini Grant Program:** Grants extend opportunities beyond allocations provided through the District. In the last 5 years, over \$50,000 has been granted to teachers, counselors, and staff. Some of the most recent grants have been for:
 - Weather Station for the school
 - Provisions for a Behavioral Support room
 - Replacement of drumline harnesses for Band
- **Viking with Pride Award:** A twice-yearly award (in the form of a gift card) which recognizes students who demonstrate the ideals of character and commitment that exemplify the spirit of East High School.
- **Richard Dunlap Service Scholarship:** Two \$1000 scholarships given to Seniors who demonstrate outstanding volunteer service to East High School and/or our surrounding community.
- **Teacher Recognition Programs and Hospitality Events**
- **Water Ice** for the Water Nice student bonding program.
- **Post Prom Event** free and open to all Seniors whether they or not they attend prom.
- **“Stress Free Fridays” program funding:** A weekly Guidance Department Event designed to help students decompress. Some examples: yoga classes, Main Line Animal Rescue canine visits, and bananas for Banana Day.
- **SAT Prep Course and SAT Summer Boot Camp:** We have several volunteers who run our highly successful SAT Prep Course throughout the year and our Summer Boot Camp every August. Both the courses and camp are taught by East teachers. See below for how to get more information on this popular PTO-run program.

Volunteer Help: There are various events when volunteers are needed and sign ups are sent out beforehand. Our largest yearly volunteer need is for Post Prom, where 150 volunteer hours need to be filled in order to fully staff the event.

Financial Help: Your donations lay the foundation for the PTO budget, and donations of any amount will be greatly appreciated. The PTO does not run direct fundraisers such as selling wrapping paper, candles or coupon books. To make a donation, please visit our website: <http://www.wceastpto.org/>

If you have any questions about the PTO, please send them to: w.c.east.pto@gmail.com

Thanks for your support!

We also raise money by running our highly regarded SAT prep classes and boot camps multiple times yearly. Find more information at <http://www.wceastpto.org/>