

[GPO Parent Handbook 2009-2010](#)

[Mission Statement for the GPO](#)

The Mission of the Graysville Parent Organization is to support the Graysville Elementary School; to encourage communication between parents and staff; to raise parent awareness and promote parent involvement in the school issues; to raise and administer funds and accept educational equipment; in order to provide additional educational benefits beyond those provided by the school district.

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School Committees

With some of these committees it requires you to be at school at times.
It might be as simple as adding up the collections, organizing a contest through out the school year and etc....
You will do a monthly report at the GPO monthly meetings about the progress of that committee

Terra Recycling: collect empty Capri sun and Kool-aid pouches [Contact person: Mary Herrick](#)

Tyson: Tyson labels the money from this and Terra Recycling is used for the general fund. [Contact person: Mary Herrick](#)

Campbell's: Campbell soup points. The points that the students collect through out the school year will help purchase classroom supplies and fund contests. [Contact persons :Brandy Tuttle and Scarlet Burns](#)

Apples: Apples for the Students is an educational initiative linking customer purchases with technology in classrooms throughout our communities. With this program, customers have the opportunity to benefit the school(s) of their choice every time they shop. When customers use a Giant Eagle Advantage Card® with each purchase (during the program), the designated school(s) will earn points that can be redeemed for classroom items. Since inception, Giant Eagle has donated more than \$24 million in computer equipment, software and other learning tools.
Seed: Shop-n-Save receipts. This helps pay for school programs. Requires you to come to the school and add up the receipts that are sent in. [Contact person: Melissa Six](#)

Funding Factory: used ink cartridges, old cell phones. Requires you to come to school once a month to box up the used cartridges and phones to mail out. You will need the right mailing labels. Place up by the office for the UPS to get. The money we make goes to an account. [Contact person : Amber Talpas](#)

Box Top: Box top points that can be found on these Brands example: Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, and Kotex .This funds for school programs and contests through out the year. [Contact person: Amy Jacobs](#)

Book It: This pays for monthly Pizza Hut reading rewards each grade has a set amount that they have to read to receive the Pizza Hut certificates which the teacher takes care of that. Teachers will give you a list of kids the get them.
[Contact person: Lauren Chambers](#)

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Committees

Sign up sheets for volunteering

With every committee you must keep GPO officers in form of what's going on or if you need help. If you need to have a committee meeting with the volunteers to go over plans you may. GPO money can not be spent unless we have a vote from one of the monthly meetings.

Events and Dates

1. **Fire Prevention Week: October 8th**
Local fire departments come up go over safety with the students. K-3 color pictures about fire safety. Need a judge. One prize for each grade. Call too get the newspaper here to. **New 4th-5th will have a Drug Awareness Assembly 4th- 5th will write essays on "SAY NO TO DRUG"** and be judge as well.
2. **Fall Harvest: October 23rd**
Crafts and games need 2 volunteers for each station. At least 2 floaters. Full day (pack lunch or buy lunch) or half a day. Help setting up the day before (2:00) and help cleaning up after it's over.
3. **Food Drive Week: November 2-6th**
Call food bank to set up a pick up date and time. Call newspaper try to get picture in paper. Where : Gym We have at least 2-3 volunteers per morning (start at 8:30- 9:30 each day) to help count up items donated , keep a daily total of items donated, mark each classroom total. We try to do a contest through out the whole school each classroom counts as one group.
4. **Fundraisers: (1) October 27th – Nov. 10th Spring fundraiser in February**
We need at least 1- 2 volunteer and 2 officers per day to collect and count up all sales then we do a daily deposit. Week long.
5. **Pick Up for Fundraisers December 17th**
Need at least 2-3 volunteers to help unboxed the shipment and help pass out to parents. Time is unusually between 2:30-5:00 one day
6. **Field Day September 25 (4&5) & 28 (K-3)**
Help assist Mr. Hughes need at least 4-5 volunteers 2 day events
7. **Santa Secret Shop / Bogo Book Fair :December 9,10,11**
Help setting up shop and book fair day before it starts (2:00) 3 days long. You can do all day (pay or bring lunch on these days) or half days
8. **Spring Book Fair March 8th- 12th**
4 half days long help assist the students with their purchases, read a book to younger classes, Someone to dress up as Clifford (walks around the school) full day (pack lunch or buy lunch) or half day
9. **5th grade recognition**
5th grade parent organize it.
10. **Career Day for 4th & 5th grade :January 15th**
11. **Teacher Appreciation :May 3-7th**
Week long do a car wash, luncheon for the staff (set up for luncheon) need volunteers for both
12. **Kindergarten graduation**
In the morning @ around 9:00am, We need at least 12-14 dozen cookies and drinks for about 100 people. After its over we need a couple of volunteers to help clean up takes about 30 minutes.
13. **Fun Day: May 28th**
Crafts and games need 2 volunteers for each station. At least 2 floaters. Full day (pack lunch or buy lunch) or half a day. Help setting up the day before (2:00) and help cleaning up after it's over.

Classroom Parties

This year the teachers will organize the classroom parties. If you wish to sign up to volunteer or send in treats at one of classroom parties please check the following list.

In the event of delays, cancellations or early dismissals, the following is a list of location to check

TV stations/Internet Sites

KDKA (2)
WTAE (4)
WPIX (11)

Radio Stations

WANB 103.1FM
WVAQ 101.9FM

Contact number

724-499-5191
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*** This is for the safety of all Graysville Elementary students***

When volunteering for an event, at the end of the day, if you wish to take your child/s home with you, you must send in a note to the teacher (saying that you taking them home with you) in the morning so the office knows. Other wise they will have to follow their regular schedule bus/parent pick-up.

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If you would like to sign up to volunteer or help organize for any of following committees please fill out and send back in with your child.

Your name: _____ phone# _____

E-mail _____ to receive upcoming events details or information through the GPO.

The time will be sent out as soon as possible for the committees

Committee	Date	Times	½ day	All day
Fire Prevention Week (K-2 nd) Drug Awareness (5 th grade)	Oct. 8	K-2 am only 5 th grade end of day		
Fall Harvest	Oct. 23			
Food Drive	Nov. 2-6	8:30 – 9:20 am		
Fall Fundraisers	Oct.27- Nov. 10th		½ day	Full day
Help with Pick – up for both Fundraiser		2:00 – 5:30pm		
Field Day	Sept. 25 (4th&5th) &28 (K-3rd)	9:30- 2:30		
Santa Secret Shop/ Bogo book Fair	Dec.9-11		½ day	Full day
Spring Book Fair	March 8th- 12th		½ day	Full day
5 th grade Recognition				
Career Day for 4 th & 5 th	Jan. 15th			
Teacher Appreciation	May 3-7th			
Kindergarten graduation				
Fun Day	May 28th	After lunch		
Spring Fundraiser	In Feb.			

Please check

Child name _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____ Room# _____

Classroom Parties

This list will be sent to your homeroom teacher!

If you would like to Volunteer (V) or send in Treats (T)

Fall Harvest (T), Christmas Parties (V) or (T), Valentines' Party (v) or (T), Easter Party (V) or (T)

All GPO meetings will be on the first Thursday of every month. They will rotate bi-monthly, (evening is at 6:00 and morning is at 8:45am) .The next GPO meeting is Oct.1st 8:45am

*Thank you for your time and cooperation.
GPO officers*