



Martinez Mustangs Mane Events

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Calendar

September

- 2, 3** 8th Grade ELA Baseline Testing
 - 6** Labor Day – No School
 - 7** 8th Grade ELA Baseline Testing
 - 8-10** 8th Grade Science Baseline Testing
 - 13** EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal
Conference Night
 - 20** EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal
 - 27** EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal
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October

- 4** EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal
- 8** End of 1st Grading Period
- 11** EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal
- 18** EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal
- 25** EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal
- 28** Middle School Report Cards Available

Note from the PTSA President

Hello Mustang Families!

The 2021-2022 school year at Martinez Middle School is under way! I hope that all of our students have had a great return to school. I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the teachers and staff for their dedication, enthusiasm, and commitment to providing the best education for our students. We are so appreciative of your support of the school and students!

Although there are current restrictions with volunteering on campus, Our PTSA has been working hard with our membership drive and “Just One” fundraiser in full swing. We have raised over \$14,000 during our donation drive so far, and we hope to meet or exceed our \$20,000 goal! Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far. 100% of your donation will go to directly support our students and teachers. For example, this money supports our teacher grant fund program bringing supplies directly into the classroom. We will also be funding devices for our students, which have been vital to learning during the pandemic and will continue to be a valuable tool in our children’s education.

I hope you will consider joining our PTSA family this year. Dues are only \$7 and help support a wide range of programs and events geared toward educating and building a sense of community. Volunteering is appreciated but not required. You can support our PTSA through your donations, membership, and/or time. You may join our PTSA through our website and make payments for the birthday marquee. We will also keep you updated through our Martinez PTSA Facebook page, flyers and emails.

Thank you so much for all you do to support our school and your children. Go Mustangs!

Sincerely,

Cindy Bailey
Martinez PTSA President



STAY IN THE KNOW

www.martinezptsa.org

Newsletter. The Martinez PTSA newsletter will be sent to all registered families each month.

Facebook. Join the Martinez PTSA Facebook page for the latest school news.

School news. Martinez Middle Web site: <http://martinez.mysdhc.org/>

District news. Hillsborough County School District Web site: www.sdhc.k12.fl.us

MUSTANG NEWS

Meet Your PTSA

Every month we will highlight PTSA board positions/committee positions in an effort to better let you know what we do and who to contact. In the past, we understand that it may have been difficult reaching some of our chairs because we had several emails that were not working correctly. However, we have corrected that and we look forward to hearing from you!

Please like our Facebook page and check out our PTSA website regularly to stay up to date on PTSA events at our school. However, if you have a specific question about a school policy/issue, please contact the school directly as we can only answer questions directly related to PTSA.

Since school started, two of our board members have been particularly busy. First, we have our VP of Membership, Amy Smith, who is in charge of disseminating information about how to join our PTSA. This position is responsible for tabulating memberships and entering them into the Florida PTA Member Hub database so PTSA cards can be emailed out to you. Amy also co-chaired open house with Megan McCardle, our VP of Programs (more on her position next month). Thank you to both of these ladies for taking on this immense task and doing a wonderful job! Second, we have our VP of Ways & Means (Fundraiser Chair), Karen Spangler. Karen has been busy keeping track of all donations sent in to school or paid online, getting information out to families about our fundraiser, and recruiting business partners.

We are very lucky to have such an amazing team this year and we welcome anyone who would like to help out. Please feel free to reach out to us if you are interested in joining or would like more information via the "Contact Us" link on the PSTA website, or by emailing: martinezptsa.info@gmail.com.

2021-2022 Martinez PTSA Board

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HAPPY **BIRTHDAY!!!**

August

Ashlyn M 8/5

Sarahtia D 8/20

Abigail M 8/22

Chrystiane A 8/26

Alexiana M 8/27

Malia K 8/30

September

Calleigh K 9/1

Chase P 9/4

Maya M 9/6

Tara W 9/6

Reilly F 9/11

Aiden D 9/12

Katie H 9/16

Sam M 9/17

Emma G 9/21

BIRTHDAY MARQUEE

Have your child's name displayed on the Martinez Marquee for the week of his/her birthday!

The cost is \$20. Reserve your spot today!

- Student's Name: _____
- Birthday Month: _____ Day: _____
- Homeroom: _____
- Telephone Number (only in case there is a question): _____

I, _____, give permission for my child's name to be displayed on the Birthday Marquee at Martinez Middle School.

_____ (parent's signature)

- Paid by: check # _____ or cash _____ or pay online @ www.martinezpts.org

Please make checks payable to: Martinez Middle School PTSA

Will also include a special acknowledgement in the MMS E-Newsletter

(Please contact Jessica Diefenderfer with any questions at diefenderfer13@gmail.com)

I want to stay informed.

Sign me up to receive the PTSA e-newsletter delivered directly to my e-mail box.

Name: _____

E-mail address: _____

Phone number (In case there is a question about your e-mail address): _____

Student grade level(s) ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8

You will receive a monthly e-newsletter from the PTSA and informative e-mails about school and PTSA events.

Like the Martinez Middle School PTSA Facebook page for all of the latest updates from your PTSA!



CONTACT MELISSA SIEBELS, MARTINEZ REFLECTIONS COORDINATOR AT MELISSASIEBELS@GMAIL.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION. MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS WILL BE OCTOBER 29, 2021. ENTRY FORMS WILL BE POSTED ON THE MARTINEZ WEBSITE.



**Martinez Middle School PTSA
Membership
2021-2022**



Your donation is tax deductible. **NO VOLUNTEERING REQUIRED.** By becoming a member, **YOU** are helping fund PTSA programs & initiatives, and have voting rights at all PTSA General Meetings. **Anyone can become a member.**

Join today at <https://martinezptsa.myschoolcentral.com> or turn in this form to receive your electronic card.

ALL STUDENTS who register by September 30th will get a **FREE SPECIAL SURPRISE** on Student PTSA Member Appreciation Day. A 2021-2022 membership card must be purchased in student's name to be eligible for the special surprise.

How many Memberships are you purchasing?

- ☐ **\$7 - One Membership**
- ☐ **\$14 - Two Memberships**
- ☐ **\$20 - Three Memberships**
- ☐ **\$25 - Four Memberships**
- ☐ **\$30 - Five Memberships**

Who is becoming a Martinez PTSA Member? *Email required!!* for e-membership card delivery.

(Print clearly)

(Circle one)

Name: _____ Email: _____ (I'm a Parent, Student, Grandparent, Teacher)

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***Info needed* for student's surprise delivery & questions:**

Parent Phone: _____

Student Member Name _____ Grade _____ Homeroom Teacher _____

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Questions? Please contact Amy Smith at martinezptsa.membership@gmail.com



Martinez Middle School Uniform Policy

Shirts

- **Type:** Polo Style/Collared Shirt (May be purchased through Mascot Universe or any other store)
- **Colors:** Solid black, gray, or teal
- Students may wear Martinez Middle School spirit shirts or College Shirts on Fridays.

Pants

- **Type:** Shorts, long pants/bottoms, skirts, or skorts (May be purchased at any store)
- **Colors:** Khaki or black
- **Length:** All pants must be mid-thigh
- No jeans, leggings, jeggings, basketball shorts, or sweatpants.

Outerwear

- Students must wear their collared uniform shirts under their sweatshirts, hoodies, and/or jackets.

Students have two uniform outerwear options:

- **Option 1:** Martinez Middle School embroidered hoodie, sweatshirt, or jacket purchased from the Martinez Middle School uniform vendor.

OR

- **Option 2:** Solid-colored (black, white, or gray) hoodie, sweatshirt, or jacket. Outwear cannot include large logos, designs, words, and/or symbols.

Shoes & Accessories

- Students must wear close-toed shoes. Flip flops, slides, or sandals are not allowed.
- No hats, visors, beanie caps, or bandanas on campus.

Martinez apparel can be purchased through Mascot Universe in store or online.

Location: 19259 N Dale Mabry Hwy, Lutz, FL 33548 **Telephone:** 813-933-2333

Website: <https://mascot-universe-627394.shoplightspeed.com/middle-school/martinez/>



Online Ordering for 2021-2022

Mascot Universe and the Martinez PTSA are continuing their partnership to sell the Martinez polos, spirit wear and even PE uniforms! One stop shopping for all of your Martinez uniform needs, as well as if you have students at Steinbrenner and Mckitrick. With our partnership, you will be able to visit the Mascot Universe location and make your uniform purchase or you can purchase your merchandise online at Martinezapparel.com, with the option to pick up your order at their location, 19259 N. Dale Mabry, Lutz, FL, or they offer shipping to your home for a fee. We hope this is a beneficial partnership for all of our Martinez families.

**PE uniforms are only required for 7th & 8th grade students.*

***Uniform bottoms can be Tan or Black khaki pants, shorts, capris or skirts.*

*****ABSOLUTELY NO basketball shorts, NO yoga pants, NO leggings, NO sweatpants, and NO workout tights!**

If you have any questions regarding the school polos, spirit wear or PE uniforms, you are welcome to reach out to Brandy Khorsandian, at martinezptsaspiritwear@gmail.com.

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Thank You!



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