



Martinez Mustangs Mane Events

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Calendar

August

24 1st Day Of School
24* *EARLY RELEASE* Day
31* *EARLY RELEASE* Day

September

7 Labor Day – No School
21* *EARLY RELEASE* Day
28* *EARLY RELEASE* Day

Note from the PTSA President

Hello Mustangs,

Welcome to a new and exciting year of school and a new year of PTSA. The 2020 - 2021 school year will truly be unlike any other as we start this special year together during the time of the COVID 19 pandemic. If this is your first year at Martinez Middle, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to each of you. If you are a returning family, I know that you are as excited as I am to be getting the kids back to school. Martinez PTSA support wide-range of district and school programs, and giving direct help to the teachers and staff at Martinez. Whether a new PTSA member or a returning member, we thank you for your contributions, time, and commitment to our organization, our teachers, and most importantly, our students!

As I start this year as your PTSA President, I am looking forward to working with our Principal Mr. Johnson and our amazing teachers and staff. We will continue to provide an excellent learning experience for our children with the support of our members. I encourage each and every one of you to become a part of our organization by joining PTSA membership.

We will be kicking off our annual "Just One" fundraising drive soon. Those of you who are new to Martinez, it is the one and only fundraiser hosted by the PTSA each school year. The Just One fundraiser is a direct donation drive to raise funds, 100% of which will benefit students, faculty, and PTSA programs. Last year these funds were used to provide items such as devices, online learning application, music stands for the music department, teacher's training and leadership programs, scholastic magazine subscription, and learning supplies for classes. This year we have specific goal to spend good portion of donations to beautify the school and install new pavers in the courtyard. Your donation to this year's drive earns you and your student an incentive (which will be determined when students return to campus) and gifts. More information about the fundraiser will come via flyers, texts, Martinez PTSA Facebook page, and emails.

Unfortunately, annual Mustang Meet n Greet and general PTSA meeting will not be hosted face to face, but we will be providing our monthly events and budget report in the PTSA newsletter for your reference. We are asking parents to make payments for Fundraiser, Membership, and Birthday Marquee using our online store under the circumstances. Please visit our PTSA website (<http://martinezptsa.org>) for online store and about how to join our PTSA membership.

I would like to share a quote with our family, "Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today."

Thank you for your support and have a great year. Go Mustangs!

Sonya Choi

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

Martinez Staff Favorites

For the moments when you would like to show your appreciation to a Martinez staff member, we now have their "Favorites" available to you. A "Favorites form" was provided to every staff member at Martinez so that they can be rewarded or recognized, with their favorites. The forms are now available for you to view on line at <http://martinezlutzfl.ptapsa.org/staff-favorites> & there is also a binder in the front office containing the same information. As we receive the forms from the Martinez staff, we will be updating the binder and website. We hope that you will find this helpful when you would like to show your appreciation to your teachers, a favorite student nutrition or custodian member, as well as your guidance counselor or administration. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Bridget Verrecchia at martinezptsa.spiritwear@gmail.com.

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Because there's **JUST ONE**

Martinez PTSA's **Just One** **Direct Donation Drive**

Aug 24th– Sept 8th 2020

How It Works:

- You give **ONE** Time – we do not ask students to sell products or conduct traditional fundraisers.
- **WE ALL WIN!** 100% of your tax- deductible donations will go directly to benefit students and teachers at Martinez.
- This year, a portion of the funding raised will go towards beautification of the courtyard with the addition of pavers for the 2020-2021 school year!

100% of your donation
goes directly to
Martinez Middle
School!

Student Incentives

CUMULATIVE

\$300 Donation
FREE Year Book

\$100 Donation
Martinez Custom Tumbler
Martinez Spirit Shirt

\$50 Donation
Martinez Phone Power Bank

\$25 Donation
Martinez Car Magnet

SCHOOL WIDE INCENTIVE

**Will be determined
based on the
amount raised and
awarded after
students return to
campus**

Questions? Contact Jennifer Harbour and Courtney Cook
Vice Presidents of Ways & Means at: Martinezptsa.VPFundraiser@gmail.com

DUE TO COVID-19 WE REQUEST THAT ALL DONATIONS ARE MADE ONLINE

pay at our online store:
Martinezptsa.org



**Please print the birthday marquee order form below and send it to the office marked
PTSA Birthday Marquee!**

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: _____

Birth Month _____ Date _____

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 _____ pay online @ www.martinezptsa.org

Please make checks payable to Martinez Middle School PTSA

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

Please contact Martha Burke with any questions at Mhburke001@aol.com

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Martinez Middle School PTSA Membership

2020-2021

Help us accomplish great things by becoming a Martinez PTSA Member.

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.**

ALL STUDENTS who register by September 30th will get a **FREE OUT OF UNIFORM DAY** on Student PTSA Member Appreciation Day. A 2020-2021 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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Name: _____ Email: _____	(I'm a Parent, Student, Grandparent, Teacher)
Name: _____ Email: _____	(I'm a Parent, Student, Grandparent, Teacher)

Info needed for student's Out of Uniform pass delivery & questions:

Parent Phone: _____

Student Member Name _____	Grade _____	Homeroom Teacher _____
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Online Ordering for 2020-2021

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 jeggings, 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 me, Bridget Verrecchia, at martinezptsaspiritwear@gmail.com.