



# Martinez Mustangs Mane Events

**Martinez Middle School**  
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*A Hillsborough County School*

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**Visit our Web site [www.martinezptsa.org](http://www.martinezptsa.org)**

## Calendar

### August

- 5 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Open House 11a-12:30p  
7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Open House 1:30p-3p
- 10 Students' First Day of School
- 16 EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal
- 23 EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal
- 30 EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal

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### September

- 6 Labor Day – No School
- 13 EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal  
Conference Night
- 20 EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal
- 27 EARLY RELEASE Day – 3:30p Dismissal

## Note from the PTSA President

Hello Mustang Families!

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year at Martinez Middle School! Our PTSA is ready for a new and exciting year and we look forward to getting to meet you. Whether you are new to the school or a returning member, we are so appreciative of your support of the school and students!

I know the last year and a half posed many challenges for families, and we want to provide a warm, positive, and encouraging environment for all. I personally am looking forward to getting to know the teachers and staff and working with our principal Mr. Johnson. I have heard so many wonderful things about this school and the amazing education our children receive.

We will work together, making this another great year at Martinez Middle School. Go Mustangs!

Sincerely,

Cindy Bailey

Martinez PTSA President



## STAY IN THE KNOW

[www.martinezptsa.org](http://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](http://www.sdhc.k12.fl.us)

## MUSTANG NEWS

### PTSA Membership

We 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. We also are starting our "Just One" fundraising drive, which is the one and only fundraiser hosted by the PTSA each school year. This is a direct donation drive of which 100% of the funds will benefit students, faculty and PTSA programs. This year, we have a specific goal of funding devices for our students. These devices have been vital to learning during the pandemic and will continue to be a valuable tool in our children's education. Your donation to this year's drive earns you and your student an incentive and gifts. We have included a flyer with information about it in this year's welcome packet. Donations can also be made directly through our PTSA website (<http://martinezptsa.org>). You may also join our PTSA through our website and make payments for the birthday marquee. We will also have updates available through our Martinez PTSA Facebook page, flyers and emails.

Thank you for all you do to support our school and your children.

-Martinez Middle School PTSA

**HAPPY**



**BIRTHDAY!!!**

**August**

## 2021-2022 Martinez PTSA Board

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**Martinez Principal: Toby Johnson**

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## **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](http://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](mailto:diefenderfer13@gmail.com))

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## **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!**

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# MARTINEZ PTSA

## Board Members

### 2021-2022

MMS PTSA Board Members 2021-2022	
PRESIDENT	CINDY BAILEY
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PRINCIPAL	TOBY JOHNSON



**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.**

**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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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ (I'm a Parent, Student, Grandparent, Teacher) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ (I'm a Parent, Student, Grandparent, Teacher) **Info needed** for student's surprise delivery & questions:

Parent Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Member Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Student Member Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Membership Cards**

**PTSA Membership**

Support your PTSA by becoming a member. Anyone can sign-up. VOLUNTEERING IS NOT REQUIRED. Your membership dues help support important student programs and incentives, teacher grants, building improvements, and so much more.

All students who become a Martinez PTSA Member will receive a Special Surprise on Student Member Appreciation Day. Student members also have voting rights at all general PTSA meetings.

Questions? Please contact Amy Smith at [martinezptsa.membership@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://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 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:martinezptsaspiritwear@gmail.com).