



Martinez Mustangs Mane Events

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Calendar

August

- 7 Open House 3:30pm-5:30pm
 - 12 Student's First Day of School
 - 20 Basketball Paperwork Due (online)
 - 21-22 Basketball Tryouts
 - 19-30 PTSA Donation Fundraiser
 - 20 Baseline Essay Writing (all grades)
 - 22 FFA Parent Orientation 6pm
(Cafeteria)
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September

- 2 Labor Day – No School
- 5 PTA Meet & Greet 6pm
(Courtyard)
- 11 Progress Reports
- 16 1st Qtr Conference Night
3:50-6:20pm

Basketball Schedule

September

- 5 @ Smith
- 9 vs. Walker
- 17 vs. Davidsen
- 24 vs. Farnell

October

- 2 @ Hill

Note from the PTSA President

Hello Mustangs,

Summer vacation always seems to go by so quickly!! I hope all of our Martinez families had an enjoyable summer break and I would like to extend a warm welcome to our incoming 6th grade class.

Our Open House will be held on August 7th from 3:30-5:30pm. Pick up your student's class schedule, meet the teachers, and also visit the cafeteria for PTSA information and Mascot Universe on-site for your uniform and spirit wear pick up and purchase.

We will be kicking off our annual "Just One" fundraising drive soon. For those of you not familiar with this 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 Martinez students, faculty, and PTSA programs. Last year these funds were used to provide items such as Fire tablets to the math department, a wheelchair for our clinic, microphones for our theatre department, and supporting our Math League at their competition. Your donation to this year's drive earns you and your student incentives and opportunities to win prizes, including gift cards and passes to local attractions and businesses. Be on the lookout for more information to come via our Facebook page (Martinez PTSA), texts, flyers, and emails.

We will also be hosting the 4th annual Mustang Meet-n-Greet and general PTSA on September 5th at 6pm. Come out and meet your school neighbors and find out more information about ways for your student to be involved at Martinez. Kona Ice will even be there providing a cool treat.

Here's to a great 2019-2020 school year!

Jennifer Bommarito
Martinez PTSA President

STAY IN THE KNOW

www.martinezptsa.org

Newsletter. The Martinez PTSA newsletter will be sent to all registered families the second Monday of each month.

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

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

MUSTANG NEWS

Uniforms now at Mascot Universe

We are excited to announce that Mascot Universe and the Martinez PTSA have partnered together, as of April 2019, 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 McKittrick.

With our new 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 or at our Open House. They also offer shipping to your home for a fee.

We will be rolling out new spirit wear designs for the 2019-2020 school year, along with a new gym short option for females! We hope this is a beneficial partnership for all of our Martinez families.

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 martinezptsa.spiritwear@gmail.com.



Birthdays

It is \$20 to have your child's name included on the birthday marquee. For more information please contact our Birthday Marquee chair at lauriepgrantham@hotmail.com

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THE
JUST ONE



Martinez PTSA Fundraiser Event

*Because there's **JUST ONE***

Welcome back Mustangs!

As we kick off another great year, we are excited to introduce you to our **one and only** Martinez Parent Teacher Student Association fundraiser for this year.

The **JUST ONE** fundraiser event is a direct donation drive to raise funds, 100% of which will benefit Martinez students and faculty by way of classroom technology, campus beautification, special events, academic and athletic programs, staff appreciation, student incentives and much more.

Your donation earns you and your student incentives and opportunities to win prizes, including exciting entertainment packages to local attractions and businesses, and popular gift cards for every interest. The more you give, the more chances you have to win!

Partner with us today and let's build a stronger family involvement in our amazing **A** school! Donations may be made now at our online store, Martinezptsa.org, or via checks made payable to Martinez Middle School PTSA.

Thank you, and best wishes in the upcoming year!

Wanda Grimsley, VP Ways and Means, Martinezptsa.vpfundraiser@gmail.com

Back to School

Mustang Meet-n-Greet



Thursday, September 5th

6:00 p.m.



MARTINEZ COURTYARD

Martinez PTSA is hosting its fourth annual Mustang Meet-n-Greet. Come out and meet your school neighbors and faculty. Find out more information about ways for your student to be involved at Martinez. Representatives from various clubs will be available to answer your questions.

Oh-and did we mention KONA ICE will be providing treats to cool off in our Florida heat?

You don't want to miss this Martinez PTSA

New This Year! E-Membership Cards

Join Martinez PTSA this year and help fund important programs, teacher grants, student incentives, building improvements, and so much more. Anyone can become a member! The fee is tax deductible and there is no volunteering required.

What's new? This year you will receive an E-Membership Card when you sign up. Please be sure to fill out the form in its entirety & print clearly. Have your student give the form & fee to their homeroom teacher.

Questions? Please contact Leslie Nixon at martinezptsamembership@gmail.com



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Martinez Middle School PTSA Membership

2019-2020

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

Your PTSA Membership helps fund:

Student Programs

Department & Teacher Grants

Family Activity Nights

School Needs & Improvements

Student Incentives

And so much more

ALL STUDENT PTSA MEMBERS who register by *September 13th* will get a **FREE DONUT** on Student Membership Appreciation Day (student must have a valid 2019-2020 Martinez PTSA membership card *in his/her name* to receive the FREE DONUT). In addition, every student PTSA member will have voting rights at all PTSA General Meetings.

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?

(Print clearly)

(Circle one)

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

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****Required info!!** needed for e-membership card delivery, DONUT ticket delivery, & questions:

Parent Contact info: Email _____ Phone _____

Student Member Name _____ Grade _____ Homeroom Teacher _____

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Please contact Leslie Nixon with any questions: martinezptsa.membership@gmail.com

Total paid: \$ _____ cash _____ check # _____ CC (last 4 digits) _____



Student Calendar



Students' First Day of School	Aug 12, 2019
Labor Day Holiday/Non-Student Day	Sep 2, 2019
End of 1st Grading Period	Oct 11, 2019
* Veterans Day/Non-Student Day	Nov 11, 2019
* Fall Break/Non-Student Days	Nov 25, 2019 - Nov 29, 2019
Students Return to School	Dec 2, 2019
End of 2nd Grading Period (End of 1st Semester)	Dec 20, 2019
Winter Break/Non-Student Days	Dec 23, 2019 - Jan 3, 2020
Non-Student Day	Jan 6, 2020
Students Return to School	Jan 7, 2020
Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday/Non-Student Day	Jan 20, 2020
** Florida State Fair Day/Non-Student Day (all students districtwide)	Feb 7, 2020
Presidents' Day/Non-Student Day	Feb 17, 2020
** Strawberry Festival Day/Non-Student Day (all students districtwide)	Mar 2, 2020
End of 3rd Grading Period	Mar 13, 2020
Spring Break/Non-Student Days	Mar 16, 2020 - Mar 20, 2020
Students Return to School	Mar 23, 2020
Non-Student Day	Apr 10, 2020
Non-Student Day	Apr 20, 2020
Memorial Day/Non-Student Day	May 25, 2020
Last Day of School/End of 4th Grading Period (End of 2nd Semester)	May 29, 2020

Please note:

* Hurricane Day(s) if needed - November 11, 25, 26, & 27

** All students district-wide will have off for both the Florida State Fair and the Strawberry Festival, which is a change from prior years.

Student Early Release Days

One-hour early release every Monday with the following exceptions:
Oct. 14, 2019, Oct. 21, 2019, Oct. 28, 2019, Nov. 4, 2019, Nov. 18, 2019, Dec. 2, 2019, Dec. 9, 2019, Dec. 16, 2019