



Parker & McCarthy Middle School PTO Agenda

April 9, 2026

Mission of the Parker & McCarthy PTO:

Proactively and collaboratively support the Parker/McCarthy Middle School curriculum, enrichment, school improvement and school spirit through a close partnership with parents and faculty of our middle schools.

Parker & McCarthy PTO Board Members

President	Sarah Mackie (Parker) / Alysun Kenney (McCarthy)
Vice President	Amanda Collison (Parker) / Lisa Bryant (McCarthy) <i>Also filling in as Enrichment Coordinators</i>
Treasurer	Shanon Dahlstrom (Parker/McCarthy)
Secretary	Kate O'Malley (Parker/McCarthy)
Principals	Josh Blagg (Parker) / Dr. Jeff Parks (McCarthy)

6:30-6:35	Introduction	<i>Alysun Kenney</i>
6:35-6:45	Principal Update	<i>Josh Blagg, Principal of Parker Jeff Parks, Principal of McCarthy</i>
6:45-6:55	School Committee Update	<i>Diana Lebeaux</i>
6:55-7:05	Budget/Treasurer's Update Minutes Approval - February	<i>Shanon Dahlstrom Kate O'Malley</i>
7:05-7:25	Parker Committee Update	
	Recaps:	
	○ Enrichment: Grade 6 - John Morello - 3 March	
	○ Fundraiser: Online Calendar Raffle - Feb/Mar	
	○ Science/STEM Fair - 26 March	
	Upcoming:	
	○ Enrichment: Grade 6 - Sheryl Faye Presents Ruth Bader Ginsburg "I Dissent" - 30 April	
	○ Enrichment: Grade 5 - The Concord Museum - 28, 30 April and 6, 15 May	
	○ Socials: Grade 5 & 6 Spring Flings - 15 & 8 May	
	○ Fundraiser: Parker Pride Run on - 17 May	
	○ Enrichment: Grade 6 - Kite Workshop - date?	
	○ We are Parker event - date?	
	McCarthy Committee Update	
	Recap:	
	○ Fundraiser: Rock & Roll Bingo - 20 March	
	Upcoming:	
	○ Fundraiser: Center/McCarthy PTO Recycle Day - 2 May	

- Enrichment: Grade 7 - Author Zoom Visit - Marion Blumenthal Lazan - 7 May
- Enrichment: Grade 7 - Worcester Art Museum field trip - 13,14,27,28 May
- End-of-Year Activities: Grade 8 - Ice Cream Truck, Mel's Funway Park, Dress Up Dance - dates?
- Sullivan's Message (www.sullivanmessage.com) meeting

Across Schools Discussion

- CFOM / SHOWBOAT Talent Show - 16 May
- Woo Sox Game Band/Orchestra/Chorus Performance - 21 May
- Staff Appreciation Week: Thank you for helping our students bloom & grow - 18-22 May
- Middle Schools Night at Fenway Park - 26 May
- Lowell Spinners Game - 7 June
- Staff Appreciation End-of-Year: Piece of Cake (cupcake trucks) - 15 June?
- 2026 Scholarships: Need Readers - Submissions to date:
 - **19 = Parker**
 - **20 = McCarthy**

Volunteer Opportunities:

- 5th & 6th Grade Socials
- Parker Pride Run
- Staff Appreciation Week
- 8th Grade Events

Looking Ahead to the 2026/2027 school year:

- How to recruit new board members
- Consider offering more than one scholarship at both schools next year due to the number of applicants?
- Still need to update Bylaws for both PTOs

New PTO Calendar: <https://pto.chelmsfordschools.org/>

- Parker = <https://pto.chelmsfordschools.org/parker-pto/>
- McCarthy = <https://pto.chelmsfordschools.org/mccarthy-pto/>

Our next PTO Meeting: **Thursday, May 14th @ 6:30 pm** IN PERSON for Scholarship Award at the McCarthy School Library

The next Council of Chelmsford Schools (CoCS) Meeting: **MONDAY, May 18th @ 7:00pm** - Quorum required for Board elections and Updated By-laws approval - Hybrid: Zoom & IN PERSON for Scholarship Award at the McCarthy School Library