

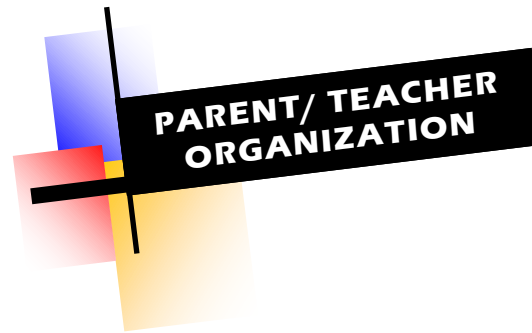
Welcome to the
Bellows Falls Middle School
PTO

The PTO consists of a group of parents, teachers, and care providers working together to support and expand learning opportunities for children at Bellows Falls Middle School.

The PTO organizes select fundraisers, which allows us to sponsor curriculum enrichment activities and grade level field studies.

PTO projects have included:

- ◆ BoxTops for Education
- ◆ Sponsoring school dances
- ◆ Fund raising
- ◆ Ski Swap
- ◆ School Improvement Projects

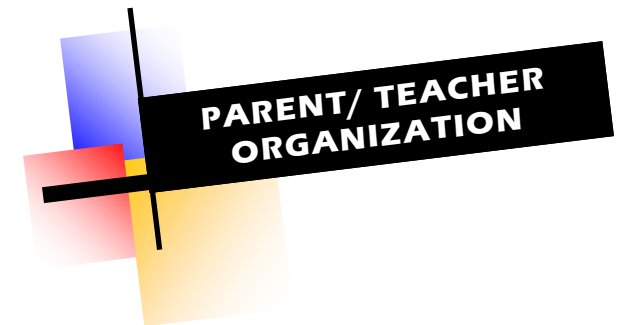


For more information about the PTO or other volunteer opportunities within your child's school please contact us.

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We are on the web:

<http://www.bfmiddleschool.org>



BELLOWS
FALLS MIDDLE
SCHOOL

**Building Partnerships
& Expanding Learning
Opportunities...
Be a part of PTO!**



**The PTO supports
enrichment
programs**

Mission Statement

We envision the Bellows Falls Middle School to be a place where ALL MEMBERS OF THE LEARNING COMMUNITY STRIVE TO:

- ◆ Engage in and promote life long learning
- ◆ Have high expectations
- ◆ Celebrate the achievement of high standards
- ◆ Contribute to and promote positive school climate
- ◆ Respect and recognize one another's passions, strengths, challenges, and needs
- ◆ Lead healthy lives



"Working together we are better"

The Bellows Falls Middle School (BFMS) is a 5-8 grade middle school located on School Street in Bellows Falls, Vermont. We are a regional middle school serving about 260 students from the towns and villages of Athens, Bellows Falls, Grafton, Rockingham, Saxtons River, and Westminster.

BFMS provides a comprehensive curriculum in mathematics, science, social studies, and language arts. Students in all grades receive classes in music, art, consumer science, and physical education. French and algebra are offered to eighth grade students.

BFMS offers a wide variety of extra curricular programs including beginning band, advanced band, jazz band, chorus, arts plus, student leadership, and drama club. Students can participate in a variety of interscholastic sports (soccer, field hockey, cross country, basketball, baseball, softball, and track), as well as our winter sports program (skiing and snowboarding at Okemo Mountain in Ludlow, Vermont). We also offer a daily afterschool program with homework assistance and a range of enrichment activities.

Want to support your child's learning?

What can you do?

There are many ways that parents and families can be involved.

- ◆ Be a member of the PTO
- ◆ Volunteer within the school—there are many possibilities!
- ◆ Attend School Board meetings
- ◆ Support events and special school sponsored activities
- ◆ Support literacy-read with and to your children
- ◆ Monitor completion of homework
- ◆ Support children attending school each day, rested and ready to learn
- ◆ Reinforce school expectations—*respect for self, respect for others, respect for property*
- ◆ Share special skills & talents
- ◆ Communicate on progress and concerns