



RANGER STATION

Deer Park Elementary PTA | 11605 Citrus Park Dr. Tampa, FL 33626

Mark Your Calendars:

- October 9**
Pep Rally for Ranger Walk
- October 10**
PTA Dress Down Day
National Walk to School Day
- October 12**
End of 1st Grading Period
- October 13**
5th Grade Ice Cream Theory Spirit Day
- October 16**
5th Grade Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- October 19**
Ranger Walk 8-11 a.m.
- October 22-26**
Red Ribbon Week
- October 25**
Fall Portrait Retakes
- October 26**
All Pro Dads Breakfast at 6:30 a.m.
Box Tops Collection
- October 29**
1st Grading Period Report Cards
- October 30 – November 5**
Book Fair
- November 2**
Movie Night 6 p.m.
- November 6**
Biz Town
- November 7**
PTA Dress Down Day
- November 9**
Veteran's Day Program
- November 12**
No School (Veteran's Day)
- November 14**
Spirit Night @ Papa John's Pizza
- November 15**
Great American Teach-In
- November 16**
4th Grade Field Trip (St. Augustine)
- November 19-23**
No School (Fall Break)

President's Letter

Hello Rangers! This is my first letter as the incoming PTA President and I am very excited about this school year. I would like to welcome all of our new Deer Park families. I remember how nervous I was as a first time Kindergarten parent and now I can't believe my daughter is in the 4th grade. Time flies by! We hope you found our Facebook page and our Kindergarten Welcome packets helpful in providing information prior to the first day of school and these past few weeks.

Did you know the PTA hosts fun events during the entire school year, such as Veterans Day Breakfast, Daddy Daughter Dance, Movie Night and many more? With your PTA membership and support we are able to provide these events for FREE to all of our Rangers. Joining the PTA does not commit you to any volunteer hours. It is not too late; please visit www.deerparkpta.org to sign up for a PTA membership today.

This school year I vowed to make our communication better and our community stronger. Please help me in doing so! We accomplish more when we advocate together for our students and teachers, because what I have learned during my years at Deer Park is that it truly takes a village.

A special thank you to our board members, sponsors and volunteers! I try to say thank you every chance I get as none of this is possible without you all!

Warm Regards,
Naideliz Bonilla



2018-2019 Deer Park Elementary PTA Board

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| Naideliz Bonilla – President | Amy Scott – Volunteers |
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SIEGE THE DAY

Bucs School Ticket Program

Support Deer Park Elementary by joining the Bucs Krewe! Tickets start as low as \$30 for Students and \$55 for friends and family.

To purchase tickets, please visit www.buccaneers.com/schoolprogram.

Cleveland Browns: Sun. 10/21 1 pm
Washington Redskins: Sun. 11/11 1 pm
San Francisco 49ers: Sun. 11/25 1 pm

PTA Dress Down & Treat Days

Dress Down Days and Treat Days are included with your PTA Membership! If you have purchased a PTA Membership for the 2018-2019 school year, your student may enjoy uniform-free days where they may wear any attire that follows Hillsborough County Public Schools dress code and will be provided a special treat during the school year on pre-determined dates.

Dress Down Days:

August 29	January 16
September 19	February 20
October 10	March 13
November 7	April 17
December 19	May 22



Treat Dates:

September 7	March 29
December 14	April 18
January 18	May 24
February 13	



RANGER WALK

Friday, October 19th

8:00 – 8:45 — PreK, K & 1st Grade

9:00 – 9:45 — 2nd & 3rd Grade

10:00 – 10:45 — 4th & 5th Grade

Ranger Walk is a walk-a-thon style event and will be our primary fundraiser for the year. It will be held Friday, October 19th on our recess field. Every student registered receives a school swag gift. Families are invited to participate and join our Deer Park spirit in a relaxed, fun environment. There will be music, surprises and plenty of water to keep everyone cool. Our goal is to raise \$50,000 and we need your help to achieve it.

How Do I Get My Student Started?

Visit "Get Movin Crew" at www.thegetmovincrew.com starting 10/9/18.

1. Click on "Get Registered Parent Login" (near top of page) and follow the prompts.
2. Click red "+ Add Student" button to register your Ranger and personalize their fundraising page.
3. Make a donation to get your student on their way towards their goal.
4. Share your Ranger's "Get Movin Crew" link with friends and family to collect additional donations.

Red Ribbon Week October 22nd -26th

Life is a Journey, Travel Drug Free

Please join us before school on **Monday, October 22nd at 7:10 a.m.** to kick off Red Ribbon Week by taking the "No to Drugs and Bullying" pledge and get your hand stamped for our poster. We will be celebrating making good choices all week long with the following activities:

Monday – Wear a 50's outfit to show bullying and drugs are OLD SCHOOL.

Tuesday – SUPERHEROES are drug & bully free; Wear a superhero shirt.

Wednesday – Wear your favorite tie-dye shirt to say PEACE OUT to bullying & drugs.

Thursday – CRAZY about being drug & bully free; Mismatched socks and crazy hair day.

Friday – Wear your favorite sports jersey to TEAM UP against bullying and drugs!



Box Tops are back! Earn our school 10 cents for every box top collected.

How to participate:

1. Collect *Box Tops* each month from purchased products. (See complete list of products with Box Tops at <http://www.boxtops4education.com/earn>.)
2. Download the *Box Tops Bonus App* to earn extra box tops by scanning your receipts. (App details available at <http://www.boxtops4education.com/bonusapp>.)
3. Place *Box Tops* in baggies of 50 labeled with student's name, teacher and grade level.
4. Turn them in monthly to your teacher.

Earn prizes:

Prizes are awarded each **quarter** and at the **end of the school year** to the student who submitted the most box tops and the class with the highest percentage of participation.

Upcoming Collection Dates:

October 26th, November 30th and December 21st.



Many thanks to our Deer Park Gold Plus Sponsors! Please visit these local businesses, and thank them for supporting our school.

- ❖ Accattato Real Estate
- ❖ Bivens Orthodontics
- ❖ Children's Medical Center
- ❖ Durrett Orthodontics
- ❖ Goodnight Orthodontics
- ❖ Ice Cream Theory
- ❖ Larsen's Pool & Spa
- ❖ Mathnasium of Westchase
- ❖ West Tampa Wolves



Tony Dungy is the national spokesman for All Pro Dad

Hey dads & kids...

JOIN US FOR THE
Deer Park All Pro Dads



ALL PRO DAD.
Dad's Day

Friday 10/26

6:30am EST

Cafeteria

Team up with other

Deer Park Elementary

dads and kids for a quick, before-school breakfast and a 45-minute program of fatherhood and family topics. You'll take away some great tips and resources to help you be the best Dad you can be, and you'll strengthen your relationship with your kids at the same time.

It's fun, and it's FREE! See you there...

Please RSVP here

<http://allprodadsday.com/chapters/80>

For information email

davidcoyle@hotmail.com

Can't make it?

Join us next time on
Friday 11/30



Movie Night Under the Stars

Bring your blankets and lawn chairs to our annual Movie Night Under the Stars on **Friday, November 2nd at 6:00 p.m.** This year students are voting on what we will present – options include Megamind, Home and Big Hero 6!

- Percussion will perform
- Free admission, popcorn and water
- Bring cash for pizza, soda, candy, glow sticks, hair bows and more.



Mark your calendars – You won't want to miss this fun-filled family evening!



Lend a Helping Hand...

No job is too small. Any which way you can volunteer is appreciated! Currently we are looking for volunteers for the following upcoming events:

Ranger Walk – Friday, October 19th

Red Ribbon Week – October 22nd-26th

Picture Retakes Day – Thursday, October 25th

Fall Book Fair – October 30th - November 5th

Movie Night – Friday, November 2nd

Veteran's Day Program – Friday, November 9th

Great American Teach In – Thursday, November 15th

If you are interested in volunteering, please sign-up online on the PTA website (<http://www.deerparkpta.org>) under Volunteers and don't forget to submit a SERVE form online at <http://www.sdhc.k12.fl.us/doc/1532/volunteer-services/about/about-376/>.

Great American Teach-In

If you'd like to share your chosen profession or hobby with our Rangers on November 15th, please complete and return an application to your child's teacher by November 9th.



2018 Veteran's Day Celebration

We cordially invite all current and former military members to a celebration at Deer Park Elementary on **Friday, November 9th** in your honor. We will have a special breakfast for all honorees and their students in the Media Center starting at 7:10 a.m. The Veteran's Day recognition program will begin at 8:00 a.m.

We are requesting all Deer Park Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts wear their uniforms the day of the event and help lead the school in the Pledge of Allegiance.

We also ask all honorees planning to attend the breakfast and/or recognition ceremony please RSVP by completing the form below and return it by Friday, November 2nd to your student's teacher. For any family members currently deployed or otherwise unable to attend, please complete this form so they may be recognized as well.

If you have any questions, please contact Carmen Rapson at programs@deerparkpta.com.

Veteran's Name: _____

Branch of Service: _____

Highest Pay Grade/Rank: _____

Military Status:

Veteran: _____ Retired: _____

Active Duty: _____ Deployed: _____

Reserve: _____

Deer Park Student's Name/Relationship: _____

Contact E-Mail: _____

Number Attending (including student): _____

Please retain this portion and display on your dashboard the morning of the event to allow you to drive past morning car line and park in the front lot.

VETERAN'S DAY



Support PTA programs by ordering lunch or dinner from Papa John's Pizza on Wednesday, November 15th. (Online promo code: DEERPARK20.) 20% of your online order will be donated back to our school!

Leave Your Mark at Deer Park!

The Ranger Way commemorative brick program is a great way to honor and celebrate your child or a favorite teacher! Complete an order form found at the office or on the PTA website and return to school with payment made to Deer Park PTA, or order online at www.bricksrus.com/order/deerpark/.

Pricing is as follows:

- \$55 – 4x8 brick with 3 lines of text
- \$100 – 8x8 brick with 6 lines of text
- \$125 – 8x8 brick with logo and 6 lines of text



2018 Hillsborough County Public Schools Spirit Nights

Show your school spirit when the *Tampa Bay Lightning* take on the *Columbus Blue Jackets* on **Saturday, October 13th at 7 p.m.** or the *Florida Panthers* on **Wednesday, November 21st at 7:30 p.m.** at Amalie Arena!

To purchase tickets, please visit TampaBayLightning.com/hcps and enter code: HCPS. Tickets include voucher for a hotdog and soda. Pickup tickets at Will Call at Amalie Arena.

- Promenade Sideline/Corner: \$95**
- Terrace Sideline: \$45**
- Terrace End-zone: \$35**

5th Grade Committee

Have you purchased your Community Discount Card yet? For just **\$10** you get fantastic deals at these participating local restaurants and businesses throughout the school year. All proceeds from sales of the cards go directly to support the 2019 5th Grade Class of Deer Park Elementary.

3 Brothers Pizza – Gunn Hwy	Learning Express – Citrus Park
7-Eleven – Linebaugh & Racetrack locations	Marina's Pizza and Pasta
Altitude Trampoline Arena – Hillsborough	Painting With a Twist – Westchase
Bahama Bucks – Gunn Hwy	Papa John's Pizza – Waters Ave
Beef O' Brady's – Gunn Hwy	PDQ – Waters & Linebaugh locations
Burger 21 – Westchase	Planet Smoothie – Hillsborough
Fresh Bites	TGI Fridays – Hillsborough
Great Clips – Westchase	Venus and Mars Day Spa – Countryway Blvd
The Grind	Zen Bistro – Westchase
Ice Cream Theory – Tampa Road	

**Save money and support Deer Park 5th Graders...
It's a win-win!**

Help celebrate your child's birthday with a special gift made just for them. Birthday packages will consist of a personalized tumbler with items such as pencils, sticky hands, pencil erasers, sunglasses and slap bracelets. Items may vary depending on availability.

Order at least one week prior to your child's birthday to ensure delivery. Package will be delivered on their birthday in class by the teacher.

Student's Name: _____

Teacher / Grade: _____

Student's Birthday: _____

Send \$10 cash or check made payable to Deer Park PTA with this form to Mrs. McIntyre (3rd grade).

Upcoming 5th Grade fundraising events:



Saturday, October 13th noon-10 pm

Join us for a 5th Grade Spirit Day at Ice Cream Theory. Mention "Deer Park" and 25% of sales goes back to support our 5th Grade!

4508 Tampa Rd., Suite #8, Oldsmar



Monday, November 5th 7-9 pm

Anyone 18+ may participate. Cost is \$35 and a portion goes back to Deer Park. Arrive 10-15 minutes early to get uncorked, smocked & in your seat!

10110 Montague St., Tampa

Stay Connected

WEBSITE: www.deerparkpta.org

FACEBOOK:
Deer Park Elementary PTA



Contact Us

Ranger Station is published around the 3rd Thursday bi-monthly from August through May. If you would like to include information in the newsletter, the submission deadline is three weeks prior. Please email submissions to communications@deerparkpta.org for consideration.

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About PTA Membership

What is PTA?

A Parent Teacher Association is a partnership between parents and educators who strive to enhance student learning and enrich the lives of the students within the school.



Why join PTA?

The number one reason to join the Parent Teacher is to benefit your child. In doing so, you also help your school. But there are many more PTA advantages:

- **Get Connected.** Know what's happening in your school.
- **Discover Great Resources.** The PTA offers a variety of programs designed for parents as well as students.
- **Tap into a Network.** PTA functions are opportunities to meet other parents and teachers, building rapport and discussing issues.
- **Watch Yourself Grow.** By volunteering with your PTA, you put your skills and hobbies to use for a noble cause—children in the community.
- **Witness Improvement.** By getting involved at your child's school you'll be part of the solution, helping make positive changes.
- **Be a Role Model.** By becoming a PTA member, you'll be demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education.
- **Enjoy Substantial Benefits.** Individuals and local units can take advantage of a host of benefits from PTA membership.

Your memberships dues help cover the cost of the events and programs hosted by the PTA, including *Grandparents' Breakfast*, *Veterans Day Program*, *Daddy-Daughter Dance*, *Mother-Son Night* and so many more. As another benefit of your PTA membership, students are invited to participate in Dress Down and Treat Days throughout the year. It is not too late for you to join PTA. Memberships can be purchased online at www.deerparkpta.org.

Thank you for your support!

