



## TWO Parent Volunteer Organizations Working to Strengthen YOUR Child's Education!

<b>Timber Ridge Elementary School</b>    <i>everychild.one voice.</i>	<b>AND</b>	  <b>Timber Ridge Foundation</b>  <i>Supporting educational experiences for all children.</i>
<p>To enhance and complement the academic ideals and programs of Timber Ridge, implement state and national PTA programs in the school, and to serve as a conduit between parents and teachers for the benefit of the students.</p>	<b>Purpose of the Organization</b>	<p>To enhance educational opportunities for all students at Timber Ridge by providing additional resources and technology that help maintain excellence in the classroom and fulfill academic needs that are unable to be included in county or other budgets.</p>
<p>Parents, teachers and administration, with parents serving as Board Members and Room Representatives.</p>	<b>Who is Involved</b>	<p>Up to 13 parent volunteers serve a 2+ year commitment on the Board along with the Principal and Assistant Principal. Nominations for new Board members are solicited every spring.</p>
<p><u>Three Primary Fundraising Channels:</u>            1 – Annual D.O.N.A.T.E.S Campaign            2 – Annual Membership and Donations            3 – Spirit Wear Sales            We raise additional money through Box Tops, grocery cards and recycling.</p>	<b>How Money is Raised</b>	<p><u>Five Fundraising Channels:</u>            1 – Patron Drive (including Corporate Matching)            2 – Community Sponsorship            3 – Coordination of After School Activities– 10% of participation fees are donated back to the TRF            4 – Spirit Nights            5 – Art Show</p>
<p>The PTA contributes to student educational resources, classroom supplies, teacher grants and staff support.</p> <p>PTA also plans and executes a variety of programs including, but not limited to: Adventures in Reading, Arts Jubilee, the Book Fair, Family Engagement Programming, HOWL, and the Science Fair.</p>	<b>Where the Money Goes</b>	<p>The Timber Ridge Foundation funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Full-time Technology Teacher's salary</li> <li>- Technology including Laptop Carts, SMART Boards, document cameras, desktops</li> <li>- In-house Science field trips</li> <li>- Facility improvements including a new Gym floor</li> <li>- Teacher curriculum grants</li> <li>- Teacher gift cards for classroom supplies</li> </ul>
<p>The PTA General Membership (parents) votes at the beginning of every school year at the General Meeting to pass the budget presented by the elected PTA Executive Committee. Every member has a say in what programs the PTA chooses to support for any given year. The budget is amenable based on income and need.</p>	<b>Who Decides How the Money is Spent</b>	<p>The TRF Board identifies goals and priorities based on input from the administration, faculty, parents and students. A plan is then created to research and fund each targeted goal. The TRF Board votes to financially support crucial needs for the school. Updates are provided to the school monthly in the TR Times and at PTA Meetings.</p>

The PTA and Foundation at Timber Ridge each has distinct and essential roles in improving the quality of our children's education by supporting teachers and administrators, providing up-to-date technology and supplies, providing enrichment programs, keeping families connected to school events, making facility improvements and much, much more! By supporting these two wonderful organizations, you are truly investing in YOUR child's education!

For more information, visit [www.TRPTA.wordpress.com](http://www.TRPTA.wordpress.com) and [www.TimberRidgeFoundation.org](http://www.TimberRidgeFoundation.org).