



**RMAE PTO (Parent-Teacher Organization) – HOW CAN YOU BE THE  
“P” in PARENT !!??**

1. Become a PTO Member, attend PTO meetings, get involved and volunteer for RMAE ! There are opportunities to help, both at school and even helping from home!! From short term, time limited volunteering to being a PTO officer – everyone can help in some way! Moms and Dads and even grandparents!! A “No Brainer” for honoring your required 60 hours of volunteerism a year !

2. Participate in the PTO sponsored Community Building Activities and PTO Fundraisers! Watch the Grizzly Growl and the RMAE PTO Webpage for information regarding fundraisers and PTO sponsored community events – (Sally Foster/Otis Spunkmeyer cookie dough, Original Works, Fall Bazaar, Tall Grass”Gives Back” Spa days, Spiritwear and RMAE logo item purchases, Baskin Robbins Ice Cream nights (with our famous “RMAE celebrity” scoopers!), the Scholastic/Usborne and Used Book sales, the annual Science Fair, our annual Sock Hop, Community Service Days, and the annual RMAE talent show, and many more! These events support RMAE, your children and also build our school/family community!

3. At a minimum, you can support our “No Brainers”...ways you can financially support RMAE PTO by doing what you already do!.....

a. Buy King Soopers and/or Safeway Grocer cards ! We all get groceries !! Easy purchasing by ordering via email with our Grocer Card coordinator, Renee Wiens or while waiting in carpool line!! RMAE PTO receives 5% of card sales proceeds.

b. Do you prefer Organic?...then we have that available too! Door to Door Organic provides free Evergreen delivery each Tuesday for our RMAE Co-Op to Nick’s Pro Fitness – pick up your organic order conveniently across the highway before you hit the carpool line !! Pick up food – then pick up the kids! RMAE receives 10% of total sales (minimum of 4 families must order a week – sign up at [www.coloradodoortodoororganics.com](http://www.coloradodoortodoororganics.com) and let our DTD parent volunteer know that you have joined the RMAE Co-op!

c. If you shop on line, shop through [www.onecause.com](http://www.onecause.com) and indicate that RMAE is your ONE Cause! Many of your favorite retailers and merchants are linked to this site – giving RMAE a percentage back on any of your on line purchases!!

d. Do you shop? Eat out? Travel? Read? Rent or go out to the movies? – of course you do! Then support YOUR OWN CHILDREN by buying SCRIP! Scrip are gift cards to all of your favorites retailers, merchants, airlines, theaters, etc. – if you are going to spend your \$ with them whether for your own use or as a gift for someone else, buy Scrip in advance and use the card for your payment! NEW THIS YEAR. your child will receive a percentage of your Scrip purchases to be put into a special account to save for their Middle School Trips! Just think –start saving now with your little one and you can have a good portion of your trip \$\$ by middle school!

e. Attend and/or donate to the annual “A Night for the Academy” Fundraiser – this event, held each February, is the single largest fundraiser for RMAE. Averaging \$60,000-\$70,000 in proceeds a year, this fun event has a silent and live auction, KidArt made by your own children, music, dining and drink! A beautiful night to celebrate all that is wonderful about RMAE!

Finally, PLEASE read your Grizzly Growl/Grizzly Cub newsletters, regularly check your email from your Classroom Coordinators and School Messenger, and keep abreast of school events on the RMAE website calendar ([www.rmae.org](http://www.rmae.org)). These are important sources of information for you and your family on school happenings! Also, check out the PTO Bulletin Board by the main office!

For more information regarding PTO and it’s events and fundraisers, contact Christine Shaver, PTO president at [mail.christineshaver.com](mailto:mail.christineshaver.com). We are always happy to answer your questions and welcome your suggestions !!

Welcome to the 2009-2010 School Year from your RMAE PTO !

