



VIPS Membership

We do participate in the HISD Volunteers in Public Schools program. You may join VIPS by registering at the beginning of the school year. A nametag is made to wear each time you come to volunteer at school. There is a volunteer logbook in the front office for you to sign in at each visit. At the end of the year there is an appreciation breakfast and awards are given for outstanding volunteer service. This is also a tool to help the PTO determine what activities you would most like to be involved in at the school.

PTO Activities

Fundraising

School Supply Sale	August
Entertainment Coupon Books	August
QSP/Reader's Digest Fundraiser	September
Directory Production	October
Fall Book Fair	November
Uniform Sales	Ongoing
Spring Book Fair	Spring
Fine Arts Festival	May

Classroom Support

Room Parents	Cluster Parents
Field Trip Chaperones	Dance Chaperones
Classroom and Lunchroom Assistance	

Work Projects

Schoolyard Habitat Workdays	Quarterly
Library Assistance	Ongoing
Falcon Flyer Production	Weekly
Dinner Sales for Drama Nights	2x-year
School Wide Charity Walk	Spring
Uniform Sale Days	Quarterly

Uniform Store	Ongoing
Field Day	Spring
5 th Grade Celebration	Spring
8 th Grade Celebration	Spring
Basketball Booster	Mid-year
Teacher Appreciation Lunch	3x - year

Financial Support

Uniform Assistance	Technology
Fine Arts Dept	Odyssey of the Mind
Soccer Team	Library
Principal's Discretionary Fund	
Teacher Support and Training	
Hospitality	VIPS
Kindergarten, 5 th and 8 th Grade Celebrations	

Communication

The Falcon Flyer, a weekly newsletter, is sent home on Wednesdays.

The Parent Connection is a phone messaging system that dials your home to deliver a pre-recorded message apprising you of events at school.

PTO Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at noon and at six p.m. Childcare is provided for the six o'clock meeting.

School Website:

<http://www.houstonisd.org/rice>

PTO Phone - 713-349-1800, ext 500

The Rice School PTO would like to welcome you and your family to the school. We hope you will find it to be an inviting place for both you and your children. We believe that parental involvement is of the utmost importance for the success of any student in any school. We hope you will take a moment to explore the possibilities for your involvement this coming school year. You can get a head start on getting to know people by volunteering for a few activities this summer.

PTO Membership

This is a parent teacher organization rather than an association, so there are no dues required to become a member. You simply become a member by registering at the beginning of the school year.