

Merrill PTA Meeting – 04/29/24 Merrill Library

*The Merrill PTA FOCUS is simple, we help our students, teachers, and staff.
The school and/or PTA identify a need, then the PTA works with staff,
families, and the Des Moines community to address it.*

*Throughout the year, PTA will ask for donations – time, financial or in-kind.
We greatly appreciate your support of our students, teachers, and staff.*

Agenda

1. Welcome: PTA Board
2. Introductions: Around the Room
3. School Updates: Mrs. Panek, Merrill Principal

4. PTA Updates:
 - Spirit Wear –
 - Treasury –
 - Teacher Appreciation –
 - 8th Grade Celebration –
 - Rising 6th Graders Night -

5. Grade Coin War Fundraiser Update
 - Dates: April 22nd-26th
 - Funds will go towards a fun afternoon for the winning grade, and towards the PTA all-around budget.

6. New Business:
 - Fundraising Committee formed. The goal of this committee is to streamline fundraising efforts, create and maintain fundraisers to support Merrill, its teachers, staff, students, and community.

7. School Supply Needs: Copy Paper, Kleenex, Cleaning Wipes, pencils

8. Upcoming Dates/Announcements:
 - May 27th – No School; Memorial Day

Merrill PTA Dates, Opportunities, Info and More

Merrill PTA MEETINGS (located in the library, unless otherwise communicated):

Monday, January 22nd 7:00pm

Monday, February 26th 7:00pm

Monday, April 29th 7:00pm

Merrill PTA VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Helping Hands: Community

- Assist with Back-to-School supplies where needed.
- Provide clothing and/or other items as needed for Merrill families.

Classroom Needs:

- Help supply classrooms with items as needed throughout the year.
- Needs vary by grade.

Teacher/Staff Appreciation:

- Contribute to a monthly special activity for Teachers and Staff. Information on how to contribute comes out each month.

Teacher Appreciation Week – May 6th thru 10th

- Help facilitate daily special events, personalized gifts and/or other creative ideas as needed.
- More information to follow closer to those dates.

Rising Riders 8th Grade Celebration Team - May

- Work together in the spring to plan an end of eighth grade celebration held at school.

Rising Sixth Graders Night – May

- Help welcome incoming sixth graders and their families to the school.

2023-2024 Merrill PTA Board:

President – Michelle Gartner
Merrill Spirit Store/Apparel – Megan Hollinger
Treasurer – Claudia Garcia-Brown
Website – Kristen Erickson
Secretary – Anne Wright
Social Media – Kari Taylor

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Instagram: [merrillmustangspta](#)

2023-2024 PTA Sign-ups and Wish Lists Website Links and QR Codes

23-24 Merrill PTA Volunteer Opportunities Sign-up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BA9A82FA6F8C34-merrill#/>



23-24 Merrill School Supplies Wish List:
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/34AURVN5ESGD?ref=wl_share



Winter/Spring 2024 Teacher Appreciation Sign-up:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848A5AD23A4FCC52-44782136-merrill#/>



23-24 Merrill PTA General Donations Sign-up:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848A5AD23A4FCC52-44902795-merrill#/>



