



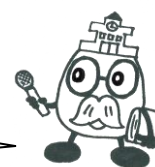
### PTA Activity Report

PTA (Parent - Teacher - Association) aims to nurture children's physical and mental development. Together, we cooperate with the school administration and will conduct series of educational trainings for teachers and parents to make sure of the fulfillment of our goals. The PTA fee will be collected from each member which is JPY 400 per month. This cost will cover a stockpile of things reserved in a case of a disaster (ex: emergency food, water, blankets), bouquets for graduation ceremonies, and security guards. We have four committees: Organizing committee, Public Relations, School Community & Safety, and Nomination.

Please join one of these committees at least once in every 6 years, for each student separately, as much as your availability provides. If you are not available for such a task, you could assist us by becoming a member of "PTA Support Teams".



There are four Committees in PTA.  
Today, I will introduce their activities. Here we go!!



**Tatejii**  
**Mascot of Tateno**

**Organizing Committee** : The Organizing Committee's main work is to organize support teams. The committee members are responsible for repairing the lunch aprons, washing certain room curtains and collecting Bellmarks. It is done at least 5-6 times per year. The members can enjoy activities while communicating with other guardians and exchanging information on parenting.

**Public Relations Committee** : Our activity is to publish the school press "Tateno". We make small groups and each group makes interview and writes some articles. We try to make every work simpler, using mobile phones and PCs, so you can participate us easily. If you like to take photos, or if you want to know well about kids and the school, please feel free to join us.

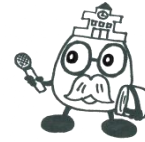
**School and Community Safety Committee** : School and Community Safety Committee has about 4 activities in a year to think about safety of school roads. The committee members will participate in the conference on how to improve the school roads, support the traffic safety lecture and lead a group to the same school road during emergency drills. The members have chances to observe the children's activity with supporting them. Let's work together and keep safety of regional children.



**Nominating Committee** : This committee is to nominate PTA executive board of official candidate for next year. We never need to sound his or her views of opinion and never need to contact them. The committee is usually held since beginning of fall.

\*We plan to take questionnaire "who do you recommend for standing committees and PTA executives?" asking for diverse human resources. We are going to elect next year's standing and executives committees, considering answers of questionnaire in addition to recommendation of current members of Nominating Committee and Executive Committee.

Next, let's move to the introduction of  
Support Teams and Volunteering Groups!



**Counting Bellmarks Team** : The team members collect and count the Bellmarks from each classroom. The members need to meet and work only once a year.

**Repairing Lunch Aprons Team** : The team members repair the lunch apron's cuffs and buttons and iron it. The members meet in the morning at school after the summer vacation. They get together once a year. The work will end by noon.

**Washing Curtains Team** : The team members remove the curtains in the music room, science room etc, and bring them home once a year around October. After bringing them home, they wash them, bring them back to school and hang them again.

**Lecture Attending Team** : The team members attend a lecture on parenting in June or February (participation is once a year).

**Team Erica** : The team members clean the facility of Yokohama School for the blind 2times a year. (September and November) whenever you are available. It takes one hour and starts from 10 o'clock. The activity schedule will be posted on "Monthly PTA Executive Communications".

**Cleaning Support** : For clean-up time before summer and winter vacation, we will support the children's cleaning and wipe windows.

**Father's Association** : The members support the school sports day, and will hold several events every year such as "MOCHITSUKI" the traditional JAPANESE New Year event.

**Tateno Music Concert Volunteering Group** : The group members set the stage, bring the instruments, chairs and arrange them. The members will be recruited in September.

**Tateno Chorus Club** : This club is for parents and guardians of Tateno elementary school. The members will practice singing songs 2-3 times a month.

**School Library Volunteering Group** : School library volunteering activities include two groups. One is for reading books to children, and the other is arranging books in school library. Participation is required at least once a month whenever you are available. The responsibilities of members of the arranging group is to sort books and store them, as well as clean and decorate the library when necessary. The activity of arranging books is held four times a year, and it usually takes several hours in the morning.

We greatly encourage you to join our PTA and participate in many activities for a better future for our children.

\*This letter and "Request to join PTA" are also available in English version.