



Dear Hall High School Families,

Fall 2023

The **Hall Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)** would like to officially welcome you to the 2023-2024 school year! The PTO is comprised of parents and teachers who work together to improve our school and help students. We are thrilled to welcome all Hall families as members and invite you to join our meetings throughout the year, fun events, and volunteer opportunities whenever it is convenient for you. We will strive to provide and share opportunities for you to become engaged and informed with the many things happening at Hall High School and in our wonderful community.

As a nonprofit organization, the PTO relies solely on donations from families like you to provide funding for the many events we host throughout the year, from school activities and programs to special events. *Please consider a donation in any amount so we can provide more wonderful programs, like this!*

**What the PTO offers to every family:**

- ❖ Engaging school events and activities for all students throughout the year
- ❖ Faculty/staff activities on special occasions (i.e.: Teacher Appreciation Week, Welcome Back lunch)
- ❖ Weekly digital newsletter (emailed to all families every Tuesday morning)
- ❖ Monthly meetings (optional to attend)
- ❖ Volunteer opportunities for parents and guardians
- ❖ Hall HS School Directory (To be used solely for contacting other families, not for solicitation. If you wish not to be included in the directory, please notify Hall front office directly)

**How the PTO supports Hall:**

- ❖ Contributes money to support artists and authors-in-residence programs
- ❖ Sponsors student activities, including SafeGrad and Fall Fest/Spring Fling
- ❖ Provides food for faculty/staff at various times throughout the year
- ❖ Supports faculty funding requests where budget funds are not available
- ❖ Operates the Hall Concession Stand for fall home football games (all funds raised directly support PTO-sponsored programs and grants)
- ❖ Delivers unique and timely programming on a variety of topics (past topics include: Vaping, Mental Health and Well Being, Safety and Security, Guidance Counseling Services, and more)

**How YOU can support YOUR PTO: Visit website [hall.whps.org/PTO](http://hall.whps.org/PTO)**

- ❖ Make a donation TODAY support all of the above
- ❖ Join our volunteer list
- ❖ Join us at our next meeting
- ❖ Follow us on the Hall PTO [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages

**Ready to volunteer? There are two immediate openings! Please consider volunteering – grab a friend and Co-Chair together! (Please reach out to us, email below if you are interested and want to learn more!)**

- ❖ **Concessions Co-Chairs (Sept-Nov)**, responsible for organizing, ordering food, recruiting volunteers, and supervising merchandise for sale at the PTO Concessions Stand at Hall Home Football games.
- ❖ **Safe Grad Co-Chairs (year-round)**, responsible for overseeing the SG Committee and executing annual SafeGrad event, a fabulous drug and alcohol-free celebration held for the Senior Class student body the night of graduation. This annual tradition is a Hall favorite, and typically recruits 25 parent volunteers.

Our Hall community is a wonderful and supportive group of parents, students, faculty and staff, and we are so proud to be a part of it. After all, we're **Hall in This Together!** Please reach out to us any time through the Hall PTO email at [hallpto@gmail.com](mailto:hallpto@gmail.com).

On behalf of the PTO, thank you and we look forward to seeing you!

Katie Baker and Adria Giordano

*Co-Presidents, Hall High School PTO*

# 2023-2024 Hall PTO

## Board Officers and Representatives

<b>OFFICERS</b>	<b>Name</b>
Co-President	Adria Giordano
Co-President	Katie Baker
Treasurer	Andrea Dixon
Treasurer	Gayatri Mene
Recording Secretary	Cara Riddle
Recording Secretary	Jill Pollack Lewis
Communications: Newsletter Co-Chair	Amity Gaige
Communications: Newsletter Co-Chair	Jane Shauck
Communications: Social Media	Michelle Bonner
Hospitality Chair	Stacey Safryn
Concessions Co-Chairs	(2) Open Positions
SafeGrad Co-Chairs	(2) Open Positions
Past President	Carolyn Martindale
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Community of Concern	Melissa Geetter
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Parent Teacher Council (PTC	Amy Steinberg
Foundation for WHPS	Clark Finley
West Hartford Scholarship Fund	Christine Meding

## 2023 - 2024 Hall PTO Meeting Schedule

Meetings held the second Wednesday of the month unless otherwise noted.

Meetings held at Hall in Room E-131, except for first meeting

Meetings 7 - 8 pm

MEETING DATE	NOTES
Wednesday, September 13, 2023	6:30-7:00pm, Gym A (prior to Curriculum Night)
Wednesday, October 11, 2023	
Wednesday, November 8, 2023	
Wednesday, December 6, 2023	1 <sup>st</sup> Wed of month due to Winter Concert
Wednesday, January 10, 2024	
Wednesday, February 8, 2024	1 <sup>st</sup> Wed of month due to Valentine's Day
Wednesday, March 13, 2024	
Wednesday, April 17, 2024	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday due to vacation week
Wednesday, May 8, 2024	
June date TBD	Meeting for Board & Reps only