

I am a proud MEMBER OF...



With good will doing service, as to the LORD, and not to men: Eph 6:7

Vision Statement:

Partnering to provide a first-class education where God is honored and students thrive in all areas – classroom, fine arts, and sports.

Q&A:

What is the purpose of the UGCS PaTs?

The primary purpose is to foster communication and to support the faculty and administration as they purpose to provide a well-rounded, Biblically based, Christ-centered education. This group sponsors a number of events during the school year and raises funds which help enhance the overall educational process.

What is a “PaTs”?

“PaTs” is a UGCS supporter and volunteer. A parent, grandparent, or individual who is a fan of our school and it’s kids in all areas such as Academics, Sports and Fine Arts at every grade level; Elementary, Middle, and High School. Someone who is willing to give of some of their time to serve as a volunteer.

What does it mean to be a member of the UGCS PaTs?

As a “PaTs” you are committing to engage in the process of providing an all around education for the students of UGCS. This group will be responsible for assisting the UGCS community maintain the highest standards of education by working closely with the administration and staff to enhance learning opportunities for all students, providing additional resources as needed. The UGCS PaTs group provides a framework and collective voice for parents to integrate into our school community through communication, collaboration, parent education and volunteer opportunities for the education, fine arts and sports programs at all levels (Elementary, Middle School, JV and Varsity).

What is required of a UGCS PaTs member?

1. Volunteer periodically, as needed, with fundraisers, sports concessions, special projects, etc...
2. Attend quarterly UGCS PaTs meetings. There will be an association meeting every month for officers and once per quarter for all association members.
3. Help to identify potential sponsors and businesses that will help to fund special projects.
4. Engage as an ambassador for UGCS in the community.

Why should I become a UGCS PaTs member?

One of the most vital roles of the UGCS PaTs is to draw families into the school. Parent involvement is critical for the success of children as well as for those who teach them. “Studies consistently show that students whose parents are involved with their education tend to do better academically. They’re more likely to earn their high school diplomas and go on to higher education.” UGCS desires to be a school with a high percentage of parent involvement that is an energetic campus where teachers and staff feel supported and students benefit from the attention of so many caring adults.

I know many parents are afraid that if they go to a meeting or help out at an event, they’ll be pulled into a bottomless hole of volunteering. If you’ve avoided your school’s parent group for this reason, keep in mind that you don’t have to agree to every request that comes your way. We are of the philosophy that while there is much to do, “many hands make lite work.” Figure out beforehand how much time you’d like to give, what skills and talents you have to offer, and which sorts of activities most interest you. We will need you to participate in volunteer opportunities, but this should not be frustrating or dreadful for anyone. Our goal is to make this a fun community for parents and students.

More important than how you get involved is that you get involved with UGCS. The payback is enormous. You’ll get to know your fellow parents, you’ll learn what’s happening at the school, and you’ll have a hand in making it a stronger and more exciting place to learn. Plus, when you become an active member of the UGCS community, your child learns that education is worth his time and attention. And that message is worth a lot.

What does it cost to become a member of the UGCS PaTs?

There are 3 levels of membership to choose from that best suits your family; Red, White, and Blue. Each membership comes with different levels of benefits.

Benefit	RED	WHITE		BLUE	
	\$40	\$50/Single	\$75/Family	\$100/Single	\$125/Family
Invitation to all “PaTs” meetings, one per month.					
Invitation to periodic presentations on topics such as: Preparing College Applications, Loans and Grants; Education on the Latest in Social Media; Trends in Classroom from a Teacher’s Perspective, etc...					
Once a quarter – “PaTs” Newsletter					
Free entrance at all non-tournament, sports activities at UGCS.					
Discounts at all participating “PaTs” sponsors and Patriots merchandise					
1 free “PaTs” t-shirt					
VIP admission to special events (Christmas program, Drama, etc...)					
\$5 voucher per month for concessions during Basketball season					

What is the PaTs referral program?

You have the opportunity to receive “free” Blue level membership for referring a corporate sponsor that agrees to move forward as a UGCS PaTs Sponsor.

What are the areas I can help in?

As a member of PaTs, you will have the opportunity to lead and/or volunteer in several areas.

- a. School Spirit Committee (Promotion of events, activities, etc... to generate school spirit)
- b. Fine Arts Assistance Committee
 - Assist Fine Arts director with
 - needed help at FA events, school dramas, highlighting the FA programs and assessing ways to strengthen the FA programs
- c. Celebration Committee (Organizing all aspects of school celebrations of teams, individuals, teachers, etc.. i.e. sports banquets, teacher appreciation, special recognitions)
- d. Concessions Committee (Organizing all aspects of concessions for fall and winter sports seasons)
- e. Fundraising Committee (Organizing and leading all fundraisers)
- f. Communications Committee (Makes sure all messaging to members is consistent, prompt. Maintain updates to social media and web sites.)
- g. Athletics Committee (Teams and coaches needs, promoting athletics program as a whole)
- h. Sponsorship Committee (Follow-up on all corporate sponsor opportunities. Evaluate and promote all phases of the sponsorship levels and programs.)