



The ACS Athens Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) sends out a warm welcome to our 2020/21 community - a community of parents, students, faculty, and staff representing approximately 63 nationalities, proudly working together to give our children the best educational experience possible.

The PTO Board is made up of 8 members whose goal is Connecting, Supporting, and Informing the ACS Athens Community. Through the lockdown, we moved from Campus to Computer and kept everyone informed and connected from their homes. We hope to be back on campus in September. Still, if not, we will continue to act as a communication bridge between parents, faculty, and students adapting to every possible situation.

We **Connect** our community through meetings and events:

Parent and Principals' Coffee Meetings - When possible, we organize a coffee meeting with principals and parents on the first Wednesday of every month. This is a friendly forum where parents can get answers to their questions directly from principals and staff. We had great success with our virtual meetings during the lockdown and hope to continue to link to parents at home who cannot attend on campus.

Parents' Coffee with the President – twice a year we organize an informational coffee meeting with the parent community and the President of ACS Athens.

PTO Events - to connect with parents and community, we organize the following yearly events. Please check the ACS calendar for the tentative dates for 2020/21: **Welcome Back BBQ, Halloween Pumpkin Sales, Christmas Bazaar, Teacher Appreciation Week, Spring Games, Spring Fair.**

We **Support** our parents with professional seminars and [parent excursions](#). PTO contributions to ACS Athens in support of our students have included; classroom starboards, computer labs, mobile laptop units, student lockers, new gymnasium floor, books, and DVDs.

We **Inform** the ACS Community through meetings, seminars, forms, emails, and a monthly newsletter. Please take a look at our [PTO webpage](#) on the ACS Athens website for information

about our events, excursions, activities, and charity drives within our Athens community. We also publish on the [PTO internal website](#) the minutes from all our PTO General Meetings and the Parent and Principals' Coffee Meetings, which include answers to your questions. Through our [Facebook page](#), we keep our community informed about upcoming events.

Volunteering is an essential part of the ACS Athens mission with students as well as parents and families. We would like to ask you to become involved this year in the PTO. For the year 2020-21, we still have positions available on the PTO Board, and it would be our pleasure to have anyone who might be interested to join us for a fun and exciting year ahead. We think most parents would agree that serving on the PTO is a great way to not only support your student's journey through school but to have the opportunity to work closely with the faculty and administration, forging positive working relationships for the benefit of our children's ACS Athens experience. Please email the PTO at pto@acs.gr with your information.