

Department of Family & Community Engagement

Parent Organization Development Timeline

Timeline	Process	Target Audience	Location	Who is Responsible
	Identify a group of parents committed to getting an independent parent group organized			
	Once you have a group of parents, hold an organizational meeting: You need to settle on the basic structure of the group:			
	 What type of organization? (PTO, PTSA, PIE – see toolkit) How many officers will you have? What titles will they have? What will your dues policy be? Who will be eligible to join? What will your mission be? What will be your goals and objectives? Decide how often you will meet Elect officers Be sure to establish fundraising/event and membership committees OR Wait until you have a general meeting with your parents to complete bullet points identified above 			
	Identify a date, time, and location to send home an			

email, text, and letters to parents about starting a parent organization and the need for their involvement (see toolkit)		
Identify fundraising activities/events and membership activities for the year		
Develop a budget		
Apply to become a Tennessee non-profit corporation		
Apply for an EIN		
Open a bank account		