

PFPS Athletic Booster Club

2025-2026 Year-End Statement

August 2026

OVERVIEW

The 2025-2026 school year was another successful year for the PFPS Athletic Booster Club. Through the commitment of volunteers, committee chairs, school administrators, and athletic families, the Booster Club continued to provide financial support for student athletics, expand merchandise offerings, operate concessions, and increase visibility within the school community.

This year, the Booster Club demonstrated strong stewardship by providing an \$8,000 gift back to Pope Francis Preparatory School athletics while continuing to support teams, school spirit events, and fundraising activities that benefit student-athletes across the school.

Year Highlights: \$8,000 gift to school athletics | Approximately \$7,000 in merchandise sales at Accepted Students Night | \$2,300 in New Student Night Square sales | Continued concession support across athletic seasons

FINANCIAL

The Booster Club remained in a strong financial position throughout the 2025-2026 school year. The Club began January 2026 with a balance of approximately \$14,000.

One of the Club's most meaningful accomplishments was the approval and delivery of an \$8,000 annual gift to Pope Francis Preparatory School athletics. After the donation, the Booster Club continued to maintain a positive operating balance and generated additional revenue through spring merchandise sales and school events.

In May, the balance was approximately \$6,200.

The Booster Club also continued to reimburse athletic teams for approved expenses and discussed ways to improve awareness of available reimbursements for coaches and team contacts in the coming school year.

CONCESSION STAND

The Booster Club continued to operate concession stands during fall, winter, and spring athletic events. While sales varied by season and sport, concessions remained an important fundraising and community-building activity for the Club.

- Indoor and outdoor concession operations continued across the school year.
- Concessions were planned or opened for track meets, lacrosse games, senior nights, and the Powderpuff Game.
- Food pre-ordering was set up for track meets to improve planning and service.
- Volunteer coverage was identified as a key priority for sustaining concessions in the future.

SPIRIT WEAR

The Spirit Wear Committee had a strong year, expanding merchandise offerings and creating several successful sales opportunities. The Booster Club sold merchandise at athletic events, school performances, Accepted Students Night, New Student Night, and other school community events.

Merchandise offerings included hoodies, t-shirts, hats, pajama pants, embroidered sweatshirts, trucker hats, knit hats, and half-zips. The Club continued to strengthen its relationship with NEPM and identified new opportunities to refresh inventory for incoming families and school spirit events.

The Booster Club also received a donation of 62 black Nike sweatshirts from Mr. Goda, creating an opportunity to screen print and sell a new spirit wear item during the 2026-2027 school year.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer recruitment remained a major focus throughout the year. The Booster Club continued to use SignUpGenius to organize concession support and included volunteer requests in Cardinal Catch-Up communications.

The Booster Club also discussed ways to make volunteering easier for families, including splitting concession shifts into blocks so parents can still watch their children compete. The need for stronger team parent participation and liaison support was also identified as a priority.

At Accepted Students Night, the Booster Club planned a table to recruit new volunteers, highlight open roles, and collect sign-ups. This created a stronger path for engaging incoming families earlier in their PFPS experience.

SUPPORT OF SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Throughout the year, the Booster Club continued to support student-athletes, coaches, teams, and school-wide athletic spirit. The Club supported senior night planning, team reimbursements, concession operations, merchandise sales, and broader school athletics through its annual gift.

The \$8,000 gift to the school was discussed as a visible way to show families how Booster Club fundraising gives back to PFPS athletics. The Club also discussed future opportunities to publicize its impact through Cardinal Catch-Up and school events.

DOCUMENT ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Booster Club continued to maintain meeting minutes and operational documents to support transparency and continuity. Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved during the year, and ongoing communications were supported through Cardinal Catch-Up announcements.

The Booster Club also identified opportunities to improve communication with coaches, teams, and families, including clearer reminders about team reimbursements, volunteer expectations, open roles, and the Booster Club's purpose and impact.

THE NEXT 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

As the Booster Club looks ahead to the 2026-2027 school year, the focus will be on sustaining momentum, recruiting new volunteers, filling open leadership roles, and continuing to support PFPS athletics through fundraising and community engagement.

- Recruit new board members and volunteers, including incoming freshman families.
- Fill key roles such as merchandise, treasurer and concessions stand.
- Continue successful spirit wear sales at major school events, including the August 20th BBQ and fall parent events.
- Strengthen concession staffing and determine whether separate indoor and outdoor concession support is needed.
- Increase awareness of Booster Club accomplishments and how fundraising directly benefits PFPS athletics.
- Consider increasing team reimbursement amounts and connecting reimbursements to team volunteer participation.

2026-2027 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Role	Name
President	Julia Avery
Vice President	Melanie Fialho
Secretary	Margaret Tabb
Treasurer	Vacant
Concession Committee	Greg Hess – through fall 2026
Merchandise Committee	Vacant
Team Liason Committee	Kara Murray

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the PFPS Athletic Booster Club.