

# Welcome to the FFA!

## What is the FFA?

The Miramar Ranch Family-Faculty Organization (“FFA”) is a parent-led nonprofit organization, dedicated to enhancing the educational experience at Miramar Ranch through volunteer work and fundraising.

Our teachers, staff, and all parents or guardians of Miramar Ranch students are automatically members of the FFA.

## What does the FFA do?

We raise money and foster community by hosting different school and family events; we volunteer inside and outside the classroom; and we support our teachers by paying for educational programs, supplies, and additional staff support.

Where does the money we raise go? Here are just a few examples:

- Art Corps
- Assemblies
- Copiers
- Teaching Aides
- Classroom Supplies
- Computer Lab
- Educational Software
- School Garden materials
- Noon Duty supervision
- PE Equipment
- Running Club
- Science Lab

## What are some of the FFA-led school events?

Events vary from year to year, but we typically host a Back-to-School Ice Cream Social; Movie Nights; a Halloween Carnival; a Jog-a-Thon; a Parent Social; Family Science Nights; Family Art Nights; a Variety Show; and our springtime Spaghetti Dinner-Art Show-Open House event.

## How can I get involved?

1. Sign up to receive our **weekly e-mail newsletter** at [www.miramarranch.org/newsletter](http://www.miramarranch.org/newsletter)  
The newsletter contains important announcements about what is happening at Miramar Ranch.
2. Join us on **Facebook** at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/mrehawks/> or enter "Miramar Ranch Elementary Hawks" in Facebook's search bar. It's a great place to get questions answered!
3. Visit our **school website**: [www.miramarranch.org](http://www.miramarranch.org). Take some time to become familiar with the site; and check back often.
4. **Attend FFA meetings**. Check the school calendar on our web site for meeting dates and times.
5. **Volunteer!** Don't be afraid to step out of your comfort zone and sign up for a position. We all support each other; you can learn as you go; and it's a great way to make friends and have a lot of fun. Many working parents volunteer; and many tasks can be done from home, or on evenings and weekends. Email [mrevolunteercoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:mrevolunteercoordinator@gmail.com) to find out about openings.