

Spring Fling FAQs

Frequently Asked Questions

What is Spring Fling?

Spring Fling is the PTO's main fundraiser each school year. It's an elegant evening out with buffet dinner, dancing, and several opportunities for you to support the students of Bedminster School.

Who may attend Spring Fling?

Anyone over the age of 21 is welcome and encouraged to attend Spring Fling. You will see other Bedminster School parents, administrators and teachers from Bedminster School, local police officers, firefighters, first aid squad members, township committee members and more. Some people attend with their spouse; some people attend solo. Some people bring their relatives, neighbors, and friends from other school districts because our prizes are so incredible. The more the merrier!

When should I buy my tickets for Spring Fling?

Advanced admission sales only. You must purchase your admission ticket online prior to attending Spring Fling. Tickets are on sale now on the PTO website for \$82 each. After April 1st, the price increases to \$92 per admission ticket. bedminsterpto.org

What is included with my admission ticket?

Your admission ticket allows you entrance to the event. You will also receive 5 free basket raffle tickets when you arrive, appetizers/buffet dinner/dessert, select wine & beer including our new craft beer tasting station! 50/50 tickets are not included with your admission.

What happens when I arrive at Spring Fling?

Spring Fling is being held in the clubhouse at Trump National Golf Club. When you reach the clubhouse a valet will park your vehicle for you. Enter the clubhouse and we will be waiting for you at the admissions table. You will receive an envelope with your numbered wristband, 5 free basket raffle tickets, any tickets you purchased online, and other useful information.

What are the fundraising opportunities I will find at Spring Fling?

We have four fundraising opportunities this year at Spring Fling: a 50/50 drawing, a golf putting challenge (weather permitting), a silent auction, and a basket raffle.

What is the purpose of my wristband?

When you purchase your admission tickets we will assign you a wristband number. This number is used for bidding in the silent auction and participating in the basket raffle. Any basket raffle tickets you purchase online will be pre-printed with this number.

Can I buy tickets for more than one person?

Of course! Simply specify the name of each attendee when purchasing admissions tickets as well as basket raffle tickets online.

I've purchased my tickets. Can I still get more basket raffle tickets online?

Yes, you may purchase basket raffle tickets online at anytime prior to Spring Fling. When you place your order, please be sure to note who the tickets are for, and we will take care of the rest. These tickets will be pre-printed with your wristband number and waiting for you at the admissions table.

Can I buy basket raffle tickets the night of Spring Fling?

Yes. You may buy basket raffle tickets at Spring Fling or in advance online when you purchase your admission ticket. What's the difference? If you purchase your basket raffle tickets online we will number them for you. The number on your basket raffle tickets will match your wristband number. If you choose to purchase basket raffle tickets at Spring Fling, you will need to handwrite your wristband number on each raffle ticket. That's the only difference. Basket raffle tickets may be purchased with cash, check or credit card on the night of Spring Fling. And when you see our AMAZING baskets this year, you are going to want more basket raffle tickets... an Xbox, a PlayStation, Kate Spade, Amazon Echo, Tory Burch, India Hicks, Coach, Ray-Ban, Nintendo, Dyson vacuum, Yeti cooler, Beats Headphones, Fitbit, Apple watch, iPad mini, gift certificates to many restaurants and that's just the tip of the iceberg! Come see for yourself!

How much are basket raffle tickets?

Basket raffle tickets are \$1 each, regardless of whether you purchase online or in person at Spring Fling. Each ticket represents one chance to win.

How does the basket raffle work?

We will have over 100 gorgeous baskets for you to enjoy. Each basket will have a tag with a description of its contents, value and who donated the items. Each basket will be accompanied by a small ticket collection bag with an identical tag. If you are interested in winning the basket, place one or more of your basket raffle tickets in the corresponding ticket collection bag. You may put as many tickets in a bag as you like. The more tickets you put in, the greater your chance of winning!

How do I know if I've won a basket?

When the basket raffle closes for the evening, one winning ticket will be drawn for each basket. The PTO Board oversees the drawing of the tickets in the presence of witnesses. Winners will be posted. Please check the winner's boards for your wristband number. Report to basket checkout to claim your prize(s). *Please have your wristband with you when claiming your basket and silent auction winnings.* **Please do not leave for the night without taking your baskets.**

Can I buy 50/50 tickets the night of Spring Fling?

No. 50/50 tickets must be purchased in advance of Spring Fling. You should have received ten 50/50 tickets (2 booklets) in your Spring Fling packet that arrived in the mail. 50/50 tickets cost \$5 each and are not included with your admission ticket to Spring Fling. You may sell these to friends, neighbors, relatives, coworkers, etc or you may purchase them yourself. **Winners need not be present at Spring Fling.**

Please make checks payable to Bedminster School PTO and mail **with your stubs** to:

Carolyn Richardson
450 Main Street
Bedminster, NJ 07921

If you need additional 50/50 tickets, please contact Ramsey Melendez, Danielle Fredella, Carolyn Richardson, Sandy Ruzicka or email bedspringfling@gmail.com **The parent who sells the most 50/50 tickets prior to April 15 will receive one free admission ticket to Spring Fling!**

What's the deal with Silent Auction?

Silent auction is full of many hidden treasures! Plan to set aside some time to take a look for yourself. You don't want to miss out on anything. Winning bids have ranged anywhere from \$30 to over \$1000 depending on the item. Each item has a full description so you know exactly what you are bidding on, as well as a starting bid and minimum bid increment. To bid, simply write your name, wristband number, and your bid on the corresponding clipboard. Be sure to check back throughout the night to see if you have been outbid, and then consider bidding again. If you are the winning bidder on a silent auction item, you are expected to pay for it prior to departing the event. We accept cash, check or credit card. Auction items up for grabs include alcohol, golf outings, summer camps for kids, photography sessions, and more including some very special items from Mr. Swan and our talented teachers at Bedminster School.

How can I participate in the golf putting challenge?

If the sun is shining on Friday, April 26th, find your happy place on the putting green for a special putting challenge. \$5 per putt or \$20 for 5 putts. This is your chance to win the 4th Annual Spring Fling putting championship trophy! Open only from 7pm - 8pm. Cash only. One of our own Bedminster dad's is the 3-time reigning champion! Who will rise to the challenge and dethrone him? All proceeds benefit the students of Bedminster School!

Are there assigned seats for dinner?

Seats are not assigned for dinner. We have worked hard to incorporate more seating this year; however, we ask that you refrain from claiming a table for the entire evening. Let's treat each other with kindness and offer seats to those who have not yet had a chance to rest.

What should I wear?

Jeans are not permitted on the premises of Trump National Golf Club. Most people dress in cocktail attire. Other dress more casually. Please wear something that makes you feel comfortable. We respectfully ask that you refrain from jeans, shorts, t-shirts and sneakers.

How does the PTO select a venue?

Finding a venue for Spring Fling is quite difficult. Over the past two years the PTO has researched over 15 local venues. Due to our unique needs, most locations don't fit the bill for Spring Fling. Here's one example of many: we require a venue that can hold up to 300 people AND has additional space for our raffle baskets & silent auction, which take up a tremendous amount of square footage. The list goes on from there. Our selection of a venue is never politically motivated. **The purpose of Spring Fling is to raise money for the students of Bedminster School, period.** If you would like to research venues for future Spring Fling events, please let us know.

I am unable to attend Spring Fling. How can I support the PTO?

If you are unable to attend Spring Fling, please DO NOT purchase an admission ticket. The admission ticket fee goes straight to the venue to cover the cost of your food & alcohol for the night. The PTO does not profit from your admission ticket. If you would like to support Spring Fling, please consider one or more of the following: purchase 50/50 tickets, donate an item from the My SignUp on our website, or send a monetary donation in any amount to Bedminster School PTO, ATTN: Spring Fling, 234 Somerville Road, Bedminster NJ 07921 or drop off in the main office at school.