

Plan payments all year long with ParentSquare Pay

A month-by-month calendar of school payment use cases

ParentSquare Pay makes it easy to collect funds for school activities, events, and fees—right in the platform your families already use. Whether you're just getting started or looking to expand usage, this calendar helps you plan for the most common payments across the school year.

From field trips and fundraisers to tuition and technology fees, districts can use ParentSquare Pay to streamline collections and reduce manual work at every step.

Use this guide to:

- Launch ParentSquare Pay with confidence
- Identify high-impact use cases by month
- Support schools and departments with ongoing planning
- Reduce cash handling and missed payments



Monthly payments calendar

Back-to-school

August

- Technology/device fees
- General back-to-school fees (transportation, lockers, uniforms)
- Classroom materials and supply fees
- Fall sports fees
- Before/after school care
- Parking permits
- Tuition
- Athletics season tickets
- Lunch balance preload

September

- Club dues (band, robotics, debate)
- School pictures
- Early bird yearbook sales
- Parent organization memberships (PTO/PTA)
- Homecoming tickets and spirit wear

October

- PSAT/AP exam fees
- Holiday fundraisers (cookie dough, popcorn)
- Halloween event tickets ("trunk or treat," fall festivals)
- Yearbook ads

Winter and holiday

November

- Winter sports fees
- Holiday product fundraisers

December

- Holiday shops
- Teacher holiday gifts
- Year-end donation

Second semester

January

- Second semester class/material fees
- Tuition (if billed per term)

February

- Valentine's Day sales (candy grams, cards, flowers)
- Spring sports fees
- Early bird prom tickets
- Summer camp deposits

Spring

March

- Pledge drive "a-thons"
(walk-a-thons, read-a-thons)
- Senior pictures
- College tour trip fees
- Prom tickets

April

- SAT, ACT, AP exam fees
- Prom tickets
- Senior events (field days, grad trips)

End-of-year and summer

May

- Graduation fees (caps, gowns, tickets)
- Teacher year-end gifts
- Yearbook sales
- Fines and debts (lost books, damaged items)
- Lunch balance collections

June and July

- Summer school tuition
- Camp fees and aftercare

Year-round

- Facility rentals
- Field trips
- Class projects
- Athletics and performing arts ticket sales
- Tryout fees (band, cheer, etc.)
- Book fairs and bake sales
- Lunch payments
- Before/after school care

Tips for rolling out ParentSquare Pay

- Add payment requests to posts, forms, and permission slips for a single, streamlined workflow
- Use the platform's built-in reporting to reconcile funds by school, group, or category
- Send payment notifications through app, email, and text—no separate logins required

Close the loop on payments with a trusted platform

With ParentSquare Pay, staff can simplify collections while families pay in just a few clicks—by credit card, Apple Pay, or Google Pay. All in one place, and always in the language and channel each family prefers.

To learn more or access support resources, visit www.parentsquare.com.

