



FESDEF

The Franklin Elementary School District Education Foundation (FESDEF) is a non-profit corporation working with parents and the community to strengthen public education. FESDEF is committed to generating funds to help support the programs and projects of the Franklin Elementary School by receiving contributions from the public and making donations to the school.

Newsletter

Fall 2010

Your Donations at Work

As you all may now know, many school districts are in a budget crisis and have had to completely cut extra-curricular and enrichment programs from their budgets. Franklin School is no exception. **Due to budget constraints, the music performances stipend, salaries for after school sports coaches and the chess club advisor's stipend were cut. Fortunately, those of you that have supported FESDEF throughout the past year, have helped keep our after school sports program, chess club, and music performances alive for at least this school year. Through your support we have been able to fund those programs and much more!** In addition, we are excited to bring an art instructor to Franklin School who will work with all grades K-8th! We want to continue funding educational and enrichment programs that will keep our school a notch above the rest! Last year we awarded Mini-Grants to 12 applicants. The funds went toward various items/programs throughout different grade levels.

Thank you! All of this would not be possible without YOUR support. Our success depends on it! There are many ways to help out: share your time, talent and/or treasure with us or attend our monthly meetings. We hope that with the continued help of parents and friends, we can continue to support educational and enrichment programs at Franklin School.

Fiesta into the Night

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FESDEF thanks everyone who donated and volunteered for Fiesta into the Night. We are fortunate to have so many dedicated people in our community. Our 2nd annual dinner and auction was celebrated with over 220 people. The picturesque setting at Gary and Sara Smith's home set the mood for an enjoyable evening. The delicious dinner was catered by La Unica's Fresh Mex and live entertainment with dancing into the night was provided by Industrial Drive. The fabulous auction included kids Quads, weekend trips, sporting event packages and so much more. We are thrilled to announce we made \$38,000.

New Art Instructors at Franklin

FESDEF would like to welcome our new art teacher Terri Foley and the assistant art teacher Candice Michelli to Franklin School. Thanks to your generous donations to FESDEF they will be teaching art and art history every Thursday and Friday throughout the school year.

Mini-Grant Program 2010-2011

FESDEF is pleased to again offer the Mini-Grant Program to teachers of Franklin Elementary School. Grants will be awarded up to a maximum of \$500 per applicant. Funding criteria for grants are for field trips which enrich the educational experience and curriculum and/or foster school/community relationships.

Save the Date

- Scrip Program—Order your holiday gift cards from local and nationwide retailers and a percentage will be donated to FESDEF.
- FESDEF Meetings—
Nov. 2—7pm & Dec. 7—7pm
meet in the library
- Schwan's Fundraiser—Pre-order your favorite Schwan's foods and/or pick-up at school on Nov. 5, 11am-5pm.

Club 180 FAQ

Q: I can't afford to donate \$180 all at once. Can I give small amounts throughout the year?

A: You can donate in small increments throughout the year in which ever way you can, whether it be monthly, quarterly, or per semester.

Q: Do all Club 180 donations have to be a full \$180?

Absolutely not! You can donate whatever you wish. A donation in any amount is greatly appreciated!

Q: Can I donate more than \$180?

A: You may donate any amount you'd like. \$180 is simply a baseline that works out to \$1 per school day, but we appreciate whatever help you can give whether it be more or less than \$180. We are a charitable organization, **all donations to FESDEF are tax-deductible.**

Q: I would like to help out FESDEF but can't help financially at this time. Is there any other way I can help?

A: There are many ways to help which don't include monetary donations. We would appreciate a donation of your talent and/or time as a volunteer helping

at FESDEF fundraisers or other events. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you are interested in helping in any way. Attend one of our monthly meetings or visit our website to find our contact info. There are also links to our website on the Franklin School website as well as our Facebook page. We welcome and encourage the participation and/or support of all parents and friends of Franklin school students!

Q: Can I make my donation(s) online?

A: Yes. You can donate via PayPal on our website. Simply visit <http://fesdef.com> and click on "Donate" to do so.

Q: Franklin Elementary is a public school, why should I donate any money?

A: You are never obligated to donate anything. However, without the support of our Franklin School parents and friends we would not be able to continue to provide funding for such things as field trips, classroom equipment, music concerts, support for the music program, after school coaches stipends, and other enrichment programs such as the art instructor. Please know that *any donation amount will make a difference* for the students at Franklin School.

Ice Cream Social



David, Nic, Paul and Emily enjoy ice-cream at FESDEF's free ice-cream social. Ice-cream donated by Schwan's.

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