



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

Winter 2011

Mini-Grants for Field Trips

FESDEF is pleased to announce the mini-grant field trip recipients. Grants were awarded in December to 17 applicants for a total of \$8,600. The funding criteria for grants are for educational field trips.

Kindergarten: Explorit, Davis (hands-on science discovery)

First Grade: Discovery Museum Outreach Program (Dinosaurs and Insects)

Second Grade: Bishop's Hamburger Farm, Wheatland

Third Grade: Sutter Buttes Student Hike

Fifth Grade: IMAX Theater-Under the Sea or State Capitol Tour or Beale AFB

Sixth Grade: Shady Creek

Seventh Grade: Middle Mountain Foundation Education Program/Sutter Buttes (Student Hike)

Eighth Grade: California Academy of Sciences in San Francisco

I would like to thank the Franklin Education Foundation very much for awarding my class this mini-grant. I know that our field trip into the Sutter Buttes will be outstanding, and I know my students will really enjoy this experience. Thank you again very much!—Colleen Krause, 3rd grade teacher

Thank you for the opportunity. Time is valuable and both of you have given it freely to help the fifth grade students and teachers. We are still using the special markers from last year's grant and will for several years.—Chris Eggers, 5th grade teacher

CLUB 180

Our school year began with our CLUB 180 Campaign, which asked parents, community members and local businesses to donate \$180.00 (which is \$1 per school day) to the FESDEF. Thanks to your generosity we have raised \$9,000 from Club 180 with 40 families contributing. We will continue to accept donations and update our list throughout the year.

FESDEF is actively applying for community and nationwide grants. Grants will afford us the opportunity to fund existing and additional programs. It is important in the grant application process that we have financial contributions from **parents, faculty, school board, businesses and individuals** who have a vested interest in our children and their futures. We encourage you to donate **any** amount to FESDEF. Our mission this year is to continue funding:

After School Sports

Music Performances

Chess Club

Art Instructor and Supplies

Yearbook

Field Trips

Technology

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you are interested in helping in any way. We welcome and encourage the participation and/or support of all parents and friends of Franklin school students!

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: 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. Visit us on our website or Facebook page.

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.

**Bulldog Boutique
coming soon!**

FESDEF Board of Directors - Athena Bravos, Nindya Burhan, Tania Cervantes, Cindy Crother, Julie Del Pero, Denise Green, Dana Moroni, Sandra Santana, and Emily Spears

Bulldog Boutique— March 12

It is that time of year again! The Bulldog Boutique is on Saturday, March 12th from 9:00am—1:00pm. We know there are a lot of creative parents out there so if you are interested in renting a vendor space please contact Emily Spears at emilyatFESDEF@hotmail.com.

The Bulldog Boutique is a fun shopping extravaganza for the whole family. Retailers from the Yuba-Sutter area will be selling their goods while you enjoy an entire morning of entertainment from Obie Leff, the Franklin band, local dance, martial arts, and gymnastics studios.



5th grade art class (Sierra, Avery and Macie)

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YES! I am pleased to support FESDEF and the future of our children.

\$180 CLUB 180 family donation.

At this time I prefer to make a special gift.

\$300 \$200 \$100 \$50 \$20 \$_____

I would like to volunteer my time to help.

Name (print) _____

Address _____

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Please inform me about FESDEF's monthly meetings and events.

Please return this card along with your check payable to FESDEF
PO Box 1625, Yuba City, CA 95992.

Thank you very much for playing your part in supporting public education at Franklin School. We are now accepting donations on our website through PayPal.



Save the Date

- Scrip Program—Orders will be placed on Feb. xxx and Mar. xxx
- FESDEF Meetings—
Feb 1—7:30pm & March
2—7:30pm meet at school gym
- Bulldog Boutique... A Spring Craft Fair— March 12—9am -1pm

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