

Stonebrae PTA / School / District Funding Coordination

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Agenda

- What is a PTA?
- PTA and School Coordination
- HUSD Policies
- Common Concerns
- HUSD Support
- Recommendations



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What is a PTA? - Parent Teacher Association

- A 501(c)3 organization, recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a public charity organization
- California PTA's Areas of Focus
 - **Student and School Success** — All students should receive a world-class education that prepares them for long-term success in college and careers.
 - **Health and Safety** — Every child should have a healthy and safe place to live, learn and thrive.
 - **Arts and Culture** — Every child should receive a well-rounded education with access to arts and cultural opportunities.
 - **Advocacy** — All families should be at the table and empowered to advocate for their own and every child.



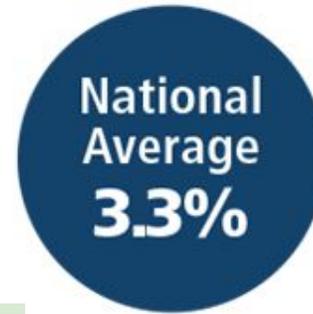
PTA Position Statements

- Education: Support for Public Education
 - *California State PTA believes that three key components to excellence in our public system of education are:*
 - *parental and community involvement,*
 - *competent and caring educators, and*
 - *adequate funding.*



Note:
CA - \$12,000

Average - \$14,000 - \$1.4M more for Stonebrae
Top 10 - \$19,000 - \$5M more for Stonebrae



California's
rank tied for
45th



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PTA and School Coordination

- Without adequate funding, PTAs and schools have to coordinate, fundraise, and prioritize how to best serve the students.
- Creating opportunities to create community for the students may involve resources like time and space, but not require a lot of funding
 - Multicultural Day



HUSD Policies

- The Board votes to accept a donation that does not “directly or indirectly impair its commitment to providing equal educational opportunities for all district students.”
 - Aligns with District vision and philosophy?
 - No restrictions placed on the educational program?
 - Creates an unsustainable program?
 - Entails hidden or excessive costs?
- All gifts, grants, and bequests shall become district property. Donors are encouraged to donate all gifts to the district rather than to a particular school. Although gifts do not become property of a particular school site, it is intended that they remain at the location specified by the donor.

California Education Code 41032; Board Policy 3290; Administrative Regulation 3290



When Fundraising - There are Common Concerns

- How best to utilize limited resources?
- How to ensure public trust of the money collected and expended?
- Based on how funds are expended, many hours may be required from volunteers, to account for the expenditures correctly?
- How to minimize individuals front load the purchase, then wait for a reimbursement?



HUSD Support to Address Concerns

- Business Support Staff
 - Accounting, Budget, Accounts Payable, and Purchasing.
 - Let us help! This is what we are trained to do.
 - Cash Available - We do not need to wait for a fundraiser to be completed.
- District Standards
 - Service Providers and Technology
- Transparency
 - We can provide documentation at the end of the year based on an account code specific to the Stonebrae PTA.



Recommendations

- PTA issue a “promissory” letter to the school outlining:
 - Financial Commitment (Donation Amount)
 - Potential requirements with donation
 - \$X on supplies per classroom & \$X for an assembly on “Insert Topic”
 - A check will be issued upon invoice received the end of the school year
- On a periodic basis, HUSD can provide reports on how the funds were spent to the PTA to ensure public trust.
 - Of \$X committed to supplies per classroom, \$Y was spent at these locations
 - Of \$X committed for an assembly on “Insert Topic”, \$Y was spent to this provider.



Thank You



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