

Important Message to All RTA Parents

Instead of ongoing school fundraisers, the RTA Parent Council & PTA is requesting a voluntary donation of \$40 for each student you have enrolled at RTA.

This change in approach is a result of your responses to our May 2012 Parent Survey on the school blog. The survey results indicated that the majority of parents would support a one-time *tax deductible* donation in lieu of the various fundraising events of the past.

In order to effectively support the R.T. Alderman School community, financial support from the RTA parent community is highly beneficial in directly supporting the curriculum and learning environment of all students. Historically the School Council has organized multiple fundraisers throughout the school year, such as SUTP sales, Entertainment Book sales, CCRP Magazine fundraisers, bottle drives, etc. to raise these needed funds. Organizing these events has required many volunteers and a lot of time.

In the past, funds raised were used to help support the following:

- Classroom iPads, laptops and support equipment (carts, headsets)
- Classroom Smartboards, and Smart Technology (cameras)
- Computer Literacy Software & Digital Library Resources
- Dare to Care, Autism Calgary workshops
- Parent Council Operating Expenses (School BBQ , insurance, etc: approx. \$700/year)

Any funds raised this year would be allocated across all departments and used to directly support the curriculum and learning environments of all students. The spending decisions are guided by administration, staff and students; and ultimately, made by School Council. More information about the allocation of these funds will be posted on the RTA school website throughout the school year.

By donating to this fundraising campaign early in the school year, it allows the school and students to benefit from your support as soon as possible.

Please consider helping us to raise the necessary funds that will help ensure a continued and enriched learning environment at RTA. If enough RT Alderman families participate there may not be a need for any further fundraising this year.

Elizabeth Richardson
Fundraising Coordinator

Brenda English
RTA Principal

R.T. Alderman School Council & PTA Enrichment Drive

Please complete the form below and return it to the school office in an envelope marked "PTA Enrichment Drive".

Please make cheques payable to "**R.T. Alderman PTA**"

Tax receipts are available for donations of \$20 or more.

Thank you very much for your support!

R. T. Alderman School Council & PTA Enrichment Drive

- I wish to receive a tax receipt for my donation.

Name on Receipt: _____

Amount: _____

Student Name (s): _____

Teacher/Grade(s): _____