October 14, 2015

LESCHI ELEMENTARY home of the bullpups

Dear Leschi families, friends and supporters:

The Leschi PTA is launching its 6th Annual Giving Campaign. This year our goal is to achieve 100% participation and raise \$45,000. We are thrilled to report that the 2014 Giving Campaign raised a little more than \$47,000!

Thank you to everyone who gave to the 2014-15 Annual Give and to those who donated to the one-time-only ask for the Best of Both fundraiser during the summer of 2015.

Your donation matters!

We urge every family to make a donation of any amount. By doing so, you help strengthen our school community and enrich every child's school experience. Every dollar given goes directly to programs that support the 380 students, teachers and staff at Leschi Elementary.

Your financial contributions support the following and much more:

- o Arts Integration A.I. curriculum & materials for every classroom, visiting artists, school theatrical performance
- $\,\circ\,$ Improved recess activities with more adult involvement to promote student engagement & problem solving
- \circ Tutors in every K/1st grade classrooms- reduces student teacher ratio during morning work time
- o Writers In The Schools (WITS), published authors work with students on personal expression through writing
- School-wide snack program providing healthy, fresh & whole food snacks to every student, every day!
- $_{\odot}$ Teacher professional development & reimbursement for classroom supplies purchased with their own money
- Art supplies & resources; Library & Technology maintenance; Literacy Supplies for all classrooms SPS district budget only covers basic art & literacy supplies and there is no budget for library books and tech software
- o P.E. equipment Installation of a new climbing wall this year! Plus balls, helmets, curriculum & more
- o Scholarships fieldtrips, 5th grade camp, enrichment programs and more

Without money generously donated by <u>YOU</u>, many of the activities and programs in our school would not exist.

No set amount is expected, more importantly, we hope that every family will find a way to make an investment in our students with the largest contribution that works for their family budget; be it \$5, \$500 or \$5,000. Every single dollar makes a difference!!! Please complete the form on the back of this letter.

To donate you can:

- Send a check (payable to Leschi PTA) to: Leschi PTA Annual Giving Campaign, 135 32nd Ave, Seattle, WA 98122
- Bring a check (payable to Leschi PTA) to the school office
- Donate online It's easier than ever to **use a credit card or PayPal** to make an investment in our students and teachers! If you want to spread out your donations, consider using the PayPal subscription feature to make a monthly contribution. Visit our website to see the online giving options: **www.leschischool.com**

If you have questions about the PTA or the Annual Giving Campaign, please feel free to contact any of us. Thank you in advance for your support!

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Many companies, such as Boeing and Microsoft, match employee donations. Check with your company to see about doubling the impact of your gift. Below is a brief list of the many companies that have been known to provide matching. You can request the applicable form from your Human Resources Department and submit it with your donation.

- Adobe Systems, Inc Allstate Amgen AT & T Bank of America Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Boeing Burlington Northern Santa Fe Charles Schwab
- Delta Dental Elsevier Foundation Genetech Google Home Depot JP Morgan Chase Key Bank Microsoft Nintendo

Perkins Coie Puget Sound Energy REI Real Networks Starbucks Verizon Communications Russell Investment Group Wright Runstad & Company

If your employer is not listed above, please check with your Human Resources Department to see if your employer supports 501(c)(3) charitable organizations like the Leschi PTA. Be sure to let us know so that we can update our list.