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Please Donate to the Eckstein Annual Campaign!



The Eckstein Annual Campaign is the *primary* school-wide fundraiser and is devoted to enhancing academics for all students, with a focus on curriculum and building needs. **Every student at Eckstein benefits from the Annual Campaign.**

As you probably found at your child's elementary school, **critical school needs are simply not fully covered by district funds.** At Eckstein, the largest middle school in the district (and the state), the needs are multiplied by more than 1,200 students! Fortunately, that's where you and the Annual Campaign come in.

How Your Donation Helps Eckstein Students

Virtually every department and student benefits from your donation. Your contribution helps pay for **basics** like library, office and technology staffing; library books; science equipment; language arts and math support; world language textbooks; art supplies; musical instruments;

technology supplies; and, emergency preparedness and general classroom supplies. Your contribution also pays for exciting **enhancements** to the Eckstein curriculum—like the Science Technology Initiative—creating a more dynamic learning environment for our students. **On the reverse page are examples of how your contribution will benefit Eckstein students, including an overview of the Science Technology Initiative.**

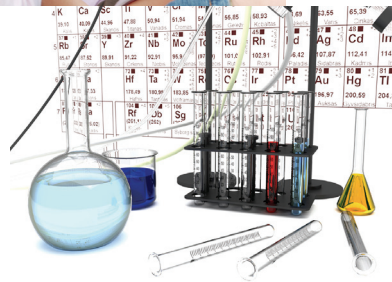
How the Annual Campaign Works

Unlike many elementary schools in our area, Eckstein holds no auction or other large-scale fundraiser for academic support. Instead, Annual Campaign funds are raised by direct request. Donations of all sizes are appreciated. Last year, contributions ranged from \$10 to \$2,000, with an average donation of \$225. Out of approximately 1,200 students and over 1,100 families, 264 families contributed to the Annual Campaign last year, raising a total of \$70,000. **This year, our goal is to have at least 500 Eckstein families contribute to the Annual Campaign. Our baseline goal is \$75,000, with a stretch goal of \$110,000 from donations and grants,** which will allow us to contribute \$35,000 towards the Science Technology Initiative (see reverse page).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

WHAT YOUR DONATION COULD BUY

- \$50 - Emergency, first aid and disaster supplies
- \$75 - Basic classroom supplies: pens, pencils, paper and more
- \$100 - Laser mill materials for Exploratory Arts for designing and building scale models
- \$110 - Technology supplies like monitors, cables and repairs
- \$150 - Ball and Ring Compound Bars for 6th grade science experiments and pH paper for 8th grade experiments
- \$200 - Web hosting for the Eckstein website for the entire year
- \$270 - Part-time library assistant for two weeks
- \$390 - Spanish workbooks for an entire class
- \$500 - Printer cartridges for whole school for one quarter
- \$750 - New library books, supplementing District allocation of \$0.83 per student
- \$1,000 - 7th grade "On the Move" Social Studies project OR 6th grade Museum Night project
- \$2,000 - Dry erase boards for math classrooms
- \$2,500 - One-half of the funds for new piano lab
- \$4,000 - Language Arts theme readers for one-half the school year to assist teachers in reviewing student projects



Enhance the Eckstein Curriculum by Donating to the Annual Campaign!

Seattle School District funding is not enough to provide the high level education we all want for our children.

Your generous support for the Eckstein Annual Campaign helps meet basic and ongoing curriculum needs like part-time assistance in the main office, library, and critical technology support, as well as library books, printer cartridges and classroom supplies. (See sidebar for more examples of how your contribution may be used.) The Annual Campaign also funds one-time school and curriculum enhancements. Last year, the Annual Campaign purchased new spot lights, throw lights and side panel lighting for the auditorium used during assemblies, concerts and other performances. The Campaign also contributed \$5,000 towards the purchase of the new grand piano for the auditorium stage.

This year, we have an ambitious goal: to fund critical and ongoing basic curriculum needs, and also to purchase a portable computer lab that will greatly enhance the science curriculum.

Thank you for your generous support!

Science Technology Initiative

All funds raised in excess of the Eckstein Annual Campaign's basic goal of \$75,000 will help bring cutting-edge science education to Eckstein through the purchase of a portable science computer lab. Today, Eckstein students share small quantities of computer instruments and manually compare and contrast results. With the purchase of a portable computer lab, classes will be more dynamic and interactive, allowing students to spend more time learning and exploring scientific concepts in a more "real world" environment.

Benefits of Portable Science Computer Lab

- Teams of two students can measure real world data such as temperature, pressure, and acceleration, making more experiments possible
- Data can be combined quickly and effectively and displayed on an overhead projector, allowing more quality classroom time for discussion of results and scientific concepts
- Computers can access online tutorials and allow teachers and students to create animations and video, reinforcing scientific concepts
- The new technology can be incorporated immediately into existing curriculum

Components of Science Technology Initiative

- 16 PC laptops on cart to be used by all Eckstein science classes; laptops will be connected to existing classroom "presentation" computers
- 8 sets of scientific probeware to be shared among the 16 laptops
- In-school training for Eckstein science teachers

Estimated Cost of Science Technology Initiative

- \$35,000
- Goal: Begin implementing lab in the 2009-10 school year with full implementation in the 2010-11 school year
- The Annual Campaign is pursuing grants to supplement family donations for the Science Technology Initiative