

Emerson PTA Fall Fundraiser & Poem Contest

The PTA wants to jump start the year with direct donations to provide funding for classroom materials and equipment that would not otherwise be funded. Money donated to the PTA stays with Emerson and directly supports our kids, so you may want to consider it your top priority for your donations. Donations are also tax-deductible!!

This year there are some great new opportunities to support our students. Many of you are aware that the Emerson garden program is used as a model at the state level for middle school garden-based instruction. With the incredible support of teachers Rita Hosking and Pat Dressendorfer and parents Patricia Carpenter and others, Emerson teachers use the garden as the basis for instruction for many different subjects. One hundred percent of our students use the garden. Our Principal, Dr. Studley, and the garden teachers are making efforts to obtain funding to create a garden teaching structure to complement the garden-based instruction. The new structure would accommodate an entire class for classroom instruction. The PTA has agreed to fund up to \$5000 for garden supplies and the structure.

Emerson teachers have identified the need for additional or replacement materials and equipment that the PTA would like to fund if possible. These include updating of fitness equipment for PE, library books (no district funding for library books) and computers, science teaching materials, cameras and computers for publications, industrial technology camcorder, Spanish teaching materials, and sports uniforms. Without additional donations, these requests may not be fulfilled. These materials benefit all of our children.

POEM CONTEST (Emerson Jr. High Theme): To enter a poem in the contest, please submit your poems to Frances McChesney at fmcches@pacbell.net by December 7. Student poems are welcome also. We will publish the top three.

A donation from every family would provide incredible support for these programs and others. Some families will be able to give less and some more. Nonetheless, any donation is appreciated. Thank you for supporting our children and our school!! We cant wait for your poems.

Name _____ . I want to donate to the Emerson Jr. High.

\$150 _____ \$100 _____ \$ 50 _____ \$ _____

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ made out to Emerson Jr. High PTA.

Mail or drop off your donation at: _____ Tax ID for deduction:
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