



# Donate to Ben Franklin PTA Today!

## ❖ Why? Where does the money go?

In order to fulfill the PTA mission which is... "To strive to enrich the education of every student" the PTA funds programs that simply wouldn't exist without the generous donations of our school members.

Below is a partial list of what your TAX DEDUCTIBLE\* contributions bring to our children each year:

- Classroom supplies
- Classroom libraries
- Art supplies
- Math Challenges
- Reflections program
- Emergency Lunches
- Fall Family Night
- Volunteer Tea
- Reader Board
- Off-campus Enrichment (field trips)
- Music enrichment (recorder program for 3<sup>rd</sup> graders)
- Library resources
- Music supplies
- Assemblies
- Science Fair
- Safety Patrol
- Health Screening
- International Night
- Dance Night
- Staff Appreciation
- Emergency clothing for students
- Outdoor education (planning and prep for 5<sup>th</sup> grade camp)
- Math Licenses (Dream Box/IXL)
- PE supplies
- Artist in residence
- Field Day
- Parent Education (Speakers)
- Pancake Breakfast
- Welcome Back Tea
- Student Instructional Materials
- Staff Development
- On-campus Enrichment (speakers, authors, toy maker, etc)
- Emergency preparedness (food, water, supplies, training for staff)

## ❖ What Happened to the Jogathon fundraiser?

In response to feedback received from parents, staff, and students, we have decided to go to a passive fundraising format. This has advantages over Jogathon and other fundraising events in that:

- It does not disrupt staff and students during a school day.
  - Does not require kids to run "rain or shine", potentially soaking their clothes at the start of the school day.
- No cost to set up or attend, such as a school auction (think baby\$itter)
- Minimizes personal time spent raising funds for your PTA.
- Simply send this link [www.mybenfranklinpta.org](http://www.mybenfranklinpta.org) to family and friends who may be interested in supporting our school.

## ❖ What should we donate?

We are fortunate to have a generous school community that allows us to fund a wide variety of programs greater than most PTA organizations in our state. We ask that you please donate according to your means. An average donation of \$100 (1 Ben Franklin) per student would ensure that we maintain our budget to fund these valuable programs, activities, and events that our hard working PTA volunteers are able to provide. Please donate today at [www.mybenfranklinpta.org](http://www.mybenfranklinpta.org)

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