

Mays Chapel Elementary School PTO

December 18, 2015

To all the MCES Families-

It's the season of giving, and in that spirit we wanted to share with you a summary of all the great things you have helped us give our a"mays"ing children, our school and community this fall.

Community:

With a minimal budget and an abundance of volunteers, we have been able to grow our sense of community within MCES with these events (~\$1,300 budget)

1. Hosted a new Kindergarten Welcome event at local park with Kona Ice
2. Hosted our first back to school Lab Luau
3. Hosted our first Trunk or Treat event for Halloween
4. Funded and developed annual MCES School Directory
5. Provided over \$200 in free books to MCES students during the annual Book Fair

Cultural, Science, and other School Programs:

Programs to support and extend the curriculum, and to provide opportunities for our students to expand their learning.

(~3,800 budget)

1. Funded the Steel Drum Residency program
2. Funded State Arts Program
3. Funded Author Julia Cook event for the day with our children and an evening with our parents

Teacher Support & Appreciation:

At the end of the day, it's the Teachers that make it all happen at MCES and we want to support them in their efforts (~\$700 to date)

1. Welcome Back to School Teacher Breakfast
2. Teacher Supply Reimbursement

We are able to do all of these great things due to your generous support of our membership drive and through what we hope are mostly painless events to support fundraising in a meaningful way. Thanks to your participation, we have been very successful this fall:

1. Our Sept (Panera) and Oct (Chick-Fil-A) Restaurant nights have earned MCES over \$500. (total from Bertucci's night is not in yet)
2. We sold over \$12,000 at the Book Fair, with a net profit of over \$3,000.

We plan on catching our breath over the winter break and coming back to school with many more activities in the New Year. On behalf of the PTO Board, we want to wish you and your families a wonderful break!

Kelly Sevier

PTO President