



Brown PTA

2014-15 Request for Proposals

The purpose of the Brown PTA is to engage our community in the success of all of our children. We do this by building collaborative relationships and fundraising to support the needs of our school. Last year, we conducted a community survey to help shape the strategic direction of the PTA. With extensive input from parents and teachers, we identified the following priorities for grant funding:

- Providing support for classroom materials, teacher training and professional development, particularly with a focus on the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program;
- Field trips, speakers and other enrichment activities;
- Before and after school programming;
- Parent/volunteer enrichment and training;
- Wellness and school safety; and
- Learning support for families with financial need.

We are implementing a new funding process, in which parents, teachers, students and other community members may apply for funding to implement projects that fall within these funding priorities. There will be a fall and a spring funding cycle (though fall proposals may extend into the spring, as well) in which all PTA members will vote for their favorite proposals to fund.

Fall proposals are due to the PTA by 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, 2014. The PTA will host an open house to showcase all of the proposals received at its Thursday, Oct. 2 meeting in the community room. Those submitting proposals are encouraged to present their plans and answer questions from community members at tables that will be set up throughout the room. PTA members will be provided with ballots to rank order the proposals in each funding category. Applications will be posted online and e-ballots will be available for those who cannot make the open house.

Spring proposals are due to the PTA by 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2, 2015 and will be presented at the PTA's meeting Thursday, Jan. 8. Only unforeseeable opportunities will be considered for funding in between funding cycles.

It is expected that applicants will complete the written application, be available to attend the above meetings to answer questions, and will commit to providing the leadership required to carry out or oversee the implementation of the requested project. Lastly, it is expected that there are no other viable funding options for the proposed project.

If you have questions, please contact PTA President Sabrina D'Agosta at Brown PTApres@gmail.com or Mindy Klowden at mindyklowden@hotmail.com.



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2014-15 Application for Funds

Name _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Student(s) Name(s) and Grade(s): _____

Amount of Request: \$ _____ *You must attach documented cost estimates.*

Which funding priority does your proposal fall under? (Please select the one that most closely fits.*)

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- Wellness and school safety; or
- Learning support for Brown families with financial need.
- * If this is an application for the PTA's "big fundraising project," please check here and select as many categories above as apply.

Please answer the following questions. Attach additional/separate sheets as necessary.

- Please provide a brief overview of your project:

- If funded, how would your project help achieve the mission of the Brown PTA to engage our community in the success of all of our children?

- If this request is approved, what will be required to implement the project and how would this work be accomplished?

- Is there any other information we should consider in reviewing this proposal?

- Do you know whether this idea is potentially eligible for grant funding, corporate donations or DonorsChoose? If so, please specify which organizations may be interested in funding the project.