

Spring Celebration

The Spring Celebration is a school-wide, family friendly event that celebrates our amazing learning community.

A raffle and silent auction are planned to raise money to help pay off the debt from building our wonderful facility. If you are interested in donating an item (goods or services) or know someone who may be able to make a donation, please fill out the form below.

Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Family Name: _____

Studio: _____

☐ I will contact and ask for the donation.

☐ I would like an event planning committee member to contact this person.

Please list any information we should know before contacting.

Please drop off your information in the PIP mailbox in the Media Center or email it to pip@shiningminds.com.

What Is PIP?

The Parent Involvement Partnership was created because we believe so strongly that family involvement is the foundation on which a love for lifelong learning is built.

Four main areas are supported by PIP: Event Planning, Studio Support, Staff Appreciation, and Family Fundraising.

The PIP Council is a group of parents who volunteer their time and energy to coordinate involvement opportunities on a school-wide level. They are responsible for making sure overall volunteer needs are filled and are the main point of contact for project coordinators such as the Studio Coordinators and Event Coordinators.

Every member of the PIP Council is dedicated to the learners and families at Community Montessori and have a true passion for helping all families fulfill and surpass their ten hour commitment.

Imagination does not become great until human beings, given the courage and the strength, use it to create.

-Maria Montessori

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PIP MISSION STATEMENT

We believe that family involvement is the best foundation for school and personal success. We support the continued growth of each member of our school community through opportunities of involvement at the school and with its activities."

PIP Grants

In the 2007-2008 school year, we began giving a portion of the money raised through PIP activities to a school-wide grant program for our learning environments.

Any staff member is able to apply for grants to help supplement activities, to purchase materials, or to help pay for special projects.

We are very excited about continuing this program!



PIP Grants fund have supported:

- Transportation for going out trips
- iPads for studios
- Supplies for special projects

And much more!

Next time you wonder why you need that new T-shirt or if you should purchase more raffle tickets, remember that a portion of it will directly benefit your child's studio!

The PIP Council will announce fundraising and grant information at monthly PIP meetings and in the *Community Times*.

"When schools, families, and community groups work together to support learning, children tend to do better in school, stay in school longer, and like school more."

Report from the Southwest
Educational Development Laboratory

How do YOU want to be involved?

Event Planning

Help plan and organize any or all of our major events throughout the year like:

- Spring Family Celebration
- Scholastic Book Fairs & Book Swap
- Montessori Meet-Ups
- Harvest Homecoming Kids' Tent
- Winter Gifting
- Chili Cook-Off

If you love to event plan, this area of involvement is for you. Creative ideas welcome!

PIP Workshop Meals

To show we appreciate their hard work, we provide food/snacks for staff on days when they have to work long hours, like PIP Workshop nights, and Parent Partner Conference days.

This is the perfect committee for working parents or for anyone who likes to cook! Simply cook or purchase food to bring in each month.

Family Fundraising

Participate in events: Chili Cook-Off, Book Fairs & Spring Celebration

Collect Box Tops for Education

Shop Kroger, Amazon Smile, & the Amazon Family Store. Connect your accounts through www.Kroger.com or www.smile.Amazon.com

Volunteer to assist with above activities.

Studio Support

Help fulfill the needs of your studio by pitching in to help when you hear the call! Throughout the year, families are asked to donate both time and items. Just help when you can.

To get more involved, sign on to be a **Studio Coordinator**, working directly with the studio teachers to keep families informed and fill needs as they arise.

~ What You Need To Do To Stay Connected ~



Read school emails regularly



Attend PIP Workshops



Read the Community Times Newsletter



Check in with Your Child Daily for Information!