

PARTNERS IN CARING
The Home-School Association of The Phoenix Center

Together We Can Make a Difference!

Dear Parents and Guardians:

As we approach the end of this school year, I want to update you on the busy year that Partners in Caring (PIC) had in 2023-2024. PIC was able to sponsor numerous events for the Phoenix Center students and staff. Your contributions – whether time, donations, fundraising support, or monetary contributions, made it all possible.

Here are the ways Partners in Caring added some special moments to the past school year:

- November
 - Contributed cupcakes for the annual Thanksgiving luncheon
- December
 - Hosted the week-long Holiday Boutique, giving students an opportunity to shop for holiday gifts for their friends and families
- February
 - Treated students to pizza for a Valentine’s Celebration (A giant “Thank you!” to **Gencarelli’s Pizza** for providing the delicious pizza!)
 - Sponsored our Winter Assembly in which our students enjoyed the interactive “Bubble Show”
- May
 - Hosted our annual catered staff luncheon in honor of Teacher/Staff Appreciation Day

To help with these events, more than twenty-five parents, guardians and friends of Phoenix Center students spent hours at the school wrapping gifts, restocking shelves, setting up desserts and serving food. Family contributions to PIC, along with fall and spring fundraisers, funded these events for more than \$3,300!

Thank you so much to everyone who made the recent Teacher/Staff Appreciation Day a success! Donated beverages and desserts made the meal a special one and cash donations helped cover the catering expense. Additionally, a huge thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to set up, serve and clean up that day. So much time and effort is required to prepare for and execute the luncheon successfully and it would not have been possible without your support. It is truly the highlight of our efforts throughout the year to show the staff our appreciation, in a small way, for all they do for our children!

As we look forward to the next school year, we are excited to continue providing these wonderful assemblies and events for our school community. We would like to encourage anyone interested in becoming an active member of Partners in Caring to join us at our monthly meetings, held both in person and virtually. We welcome anyone who wants to come and learn about our events, and we encourage you to share your thoughts, ideas and talents to making PIC even more successful next year! If you have ideas for additional fundraisers or student assemblies, please email us at the addresses below.

If you think you might be interested in becoming involved, please don’t hesitate to contact me or our PIC liaison, Vikki Raider. Volunteers are essential to ensure that Partners in Caring remains an active and involved part of The Phoenix Center school experience.

Thanks to all of you for supporting Partners in Caring this year. Whether you made a donation, participated in a fundraiser or volunteered your time at one of our events, we are truly grateful to you. We hope you have a great summer!

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