

Dear Nixon Families,

We are beyond thrilled to welcome you back, in person, to Nixon Elementary! This will be my 9th year as a Nixon parent and never before have I witnessed such strength and resilience in our community. We should all be proud of the way our families, teachers, and staff came together to support every Nixon student last year. Watching our kids adapt to an ever changing environment and meet each new challenge with positivity and grace was truly humbling.

Nixon teachers, staff, and PTA board members are already hard at work planning an amazing school year for our kids. Each year Nixon families come together to financially contribute to Nixon initiatives and programming. This year the Nixon community needs our support more than ever, which is why I ask you to join me in donating to the 2021-2022 PTA Direct Appeal.

This year, your Direct Appeal donations support a variety of on-site programs designed to lift all our students to academic and personal success. For example, your money will fund:

- **Classroom Supplies and Materials** all students will be provided with an abundance of school supplies, no scrambling to the store with a long supply list for parents!
- **Teacher Education and Grants** Nixon teachers remain leaders in their field through regular teacher education and professional development opportunities
- **Teacher Mini Funds** this helps lower the amount of out of pocket money our Nixon teachers are spending on our children and classroom enhancements
- Assemblies and School Programs we're hoping to bring assemblies back but will need increased funding to provide multiple, smaller, assemblies
- **Community Building** the PTA is excited to bring back some of our most beloved community social events, and safely foster community and connection
- **Playworks** <u>Playworks</u> brings coaches to Nixon to develop social emotional skills in real time on the Nixon playground. Coaches help students bring empathy and inclusion into their games, making recess fun for every student!

For the past 50 years Nixon has provided a nurturing and academically rigorous environment for the children of Stanford, Los Altos Hills, Palo Alto, and East Palo Alto. With your generosity we can make this year the best year yet!

Our goal this year is to raise **\$100,000** to support our students in the classroom, and equip them with knowledge and skills that they will carry with them beyond their elementary school years.

Thank you,

Terese Grimmer, Nixon PTA VP Fundraising

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