

November, 2024

Dear Horace Mann community member,

The Horace Mann PTA is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting the students, teachers, and school community of Horace Mann Elementary school. The efforts of the PTA provide educational opportunities for students that would not be possible without PTA support.

Did you know the Horace Mann PTA....

- Promotes an equitable classroom experience for all students by funding field trips, in-school residencies, and grants for teachers to buy necessary teaching materials. This year the PTA will contribute \$41,372 for these services.
- Provides an additional \$4,500 to recognize and support teachers, school staff, and volunteers.
- Provides all required funding for the band program which allows all 4th and 5th grade students to participate in band at no cost to families.
- Contributes \$2,750 towards the cost of the 5th grade Eagle Bluff class trip to keep the cost per family low.
- Funds \$6,000 towards the school's volunteer coordinator to assist and facilitate volunteers in the school.
- Is entirely staffed by volunteers. This means that 99% of your donation goes directly to the school community.
- Supports thousands of hours of volunteer opportunities that build community:
 - Make-it-take-it craft nights
 - o Free family fun nights
 - Landscape maintenance
 - Teacher conference meals
 - Scholastic book fair

- o Family volunteer service
- Spring plant sale
- School Carnival
- Silent Auction

These opportunities would not be possible without the generous donations of Horace Mann community members like you. As a 501c3 non-profit, your support to the PTA is tax-exempt.

Ways you can give...

- Participate in our Fall fundraiser, the school-wide <u>Read-a-Thon</u>.
- Support us on Give to the Max Day on November 21.
- Participate in the Spring fundraiser, the Silent and Live Auction in March.
- You can also support the PTA through an <u>open donation</u> at any point throughout the year. Please consider including the PTA in your end-of-year giving.

Does your employer offer non-profit matches? If so, the PTA is eligible! Please include us!

Your donation will make a difference and will help us continue to provide exceptional opportunities for the students of Horace Mann. Let's all work together to keep Horace Mann a great school with opportunity for all students.

Sincerely,

The Horace Mann PTA Board