



Mallinckrodt Academy for Gifted Instruction

Annual Fund Drive 2017-18

October 3, 2017

Dear Mallinckrodt Families,

Welcome to the kick-off of our 3rd Annual Fund Drive. We're proud of Mallinckrodt, a 2017 Blue Ribbon School, and we know how much it means to our families and students. The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is our collective voice to advocate for our school and raise funds to support all the programming and events that make Mallinckrodt such an amazing place that is uniquely suited for our gifted learners.

We want every Mallinckrodt family to be a part of the success of the Annual Fund Drive, and at Mallinckrodt, **we want to make it easy.** We don't do pizza, popcorn, or gift wrap sales, and you'll find no entertainment books, candles, or magazines to sell. Unlike those endeavors, every dollar you contribute to the Fund Drive goes directly to benefit Mallinckrodt. We know how important your time is and ask that you simply make a tax-deductible donation. The PTO takes care of the rest to make sure your donation supports Mallinckrodt.

What does the Fund Drive support? Each year the PTO allocates funds to provide every full-time Mallinckrodt teacher with classroom supplies and equipment. We also pay for teachers to attend professional conferences, for enrichment projects, and for student events such as Family Fun Nights, Dragons Under the Sun Picnic, and 5th grade graduation and camp.

Moreover, every year larger projects are funded that help all students. Past projects include purchasing iPads for all fifth-graders, expanding the music room, building a new science lab, installing a new sound system for the gymnasium, and adding equipment and games for students to use at recess. Future projects may include things like upgrading water fountains to water bottle filling stations and expanding the Spanish room.

We understand that situations are different for every family, and we only ask that you support the PTO as you are able – whether it is \$10 or \$1,000. If your extended family or friends would like to contribute, we would welcome their participation and the tax deduction would, of course, be available to them too. For the first time, we are excited to offer the option to donate automatically on a monthly basis. We hope this new feature enables supporters to give more generously in increments than they might be able to all at once.

Please help us reach our goals of \$25,000 and 100% participation by sending your tax-deductible contribution today!

Donor's Name _____ Email _____

Address _____

Amount of Donation _____

Student's Name(s) _____

Donor's Relationship to the student(s) _____

Please make checks out to **SLPS Foundation and write Friends of Mallinckrodt in the memo** and return it with the bottom of this form in the enclosed envelope to your child's teacher. You may also contribute online at <https://magi-pto.org/donate/> or set up a monthly contribution through the same site. Thank you!