



DEAR CATHARINE BLAINE FAMILIES,

When you give to Catharine Blaine's **Invest in Your Child Giving Campaign**, you donate to programs and resources that help fuel student imagination and growth. Music floats down the hallway from middle school band practice, classes take a trip on the Oregon Trail with project based learning, library books appear on classroom shelves and students explore miniscule worlds with new microscopes, all with the help of your support.

We are excited to announce the kickoff of our school's annual giving campaign – the PTA's **PRIMARY** fundraiser, held **October 31 - November 10, 2016**.

WHY DO I NEED TO GIVE?

Our school only gets \$75 per child from Seattle Public Schools (after teacher salaries) this year, which is a decrease from the \$114 per student we received last year. This amount doesn't even come close to covering the essentials. With your support we hope to generate almost four times that amount at \$325 per student. These dollars will enrich the school experience for all students across all grades.

OUR GOAL IS 100% RESPONSE

One card from each child returned by November 10th. Your participation, no matter how big or small, is crucial. Without PTA fundraising, Blaine would lose some of our most vital and engaging programs. Here is just a small sample of the programs our PTA funds:

**MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND • EXPANDED K-8
CLASSROOM LIBRARIES • STEM PROGRAMMING
• WRITERS IN RESIDENCE • CLASSROOM
BASICS • PROJECT-BASED LEARNING •
4TH AND 5TH GRADE INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC**

EVERY DOLLAR COUNTS!

Our annual fundraising goal is \$250,000, which means that **EVERY DONATION COUNTS**. Whether you can give \$5, \$50 or \$500, you are helping to enrich your student's education and our school community. All donations are 100% tax deductible and kept strictly confidential. **Don't forget to submit paperwork to your employer to double your donation if you work for a company that offers matching gifts.**

Thank you in advance for your participation!

Sincerely,

Becky Shields and Angela Herndon | Giving Campaign Chairs (GC@BlainePTA.com)

Visit www.BlainePTA.com for more information and to **DONATE ONLINE**