

Thank You for Taking Our Education to New Heights!

On behalf of the Bernardo Heights students and staff, I would like to say ***THANK YOU*** to the BHMS Education Foundation for their ongoing commitment to fundraising in order to enrich the educational experiences and opportunities for our students.

During the past few years, the **Foundation's fundraising has been instrumental** in helping to provide funds to Bernardo Heights Middle School for the following:

- Classroom and campus supplies
- Small equipment repair/replacement
- Benches and picnic tables in the grassy quad area
- Technology upgrades
- Library furniture and computers
- PE equipment for the Fitness Lab

I have very much appreciated being a part of the Foundation meetings as those serving on the Board not only have an interest in fundraising on behalf of the school but they also are very focused on what they can provide for students and staff at BHMS. With the current budget crisis, **site operating funds have been dramatically reduced**, impacting campus/classroom supplies, equipment, field trips, and enrichment activities for our students.

The Foundation has been creative in trying to find ways to fundraise without financially impacting our families. One-time donations to *Quest for Quarters* helps the Foundation provide for students early in the year. The grocery store (Ralphs and Vons) preferred customer cards have earned almost \$10,000 each year, and the Bobcat-A-Thon is also a successful fundraising venture.

Please consider supporting the BHMS Education Foundations fundraising efforts by contributing to one or more of their fundraisers sponsored throughout the year. If every family donated \$43.75 (175 days x .25) per child to *Quest for Quarters*, that would be \$57,500 to help Bernardo Heights Middle School continue providing excellence in education.

We very much appreciate the efforts of a few tireless volunteers who serve on the Foundation Board and the generous amount of giving by our families and community.

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