



PTO GIFTS PROGRAM

Requests for PTO Funding 2017-18

Any teacher, parent, or student who has a request for funds from the PTO must fill out this form. Please answer these questions as thoroughly as possible, providing supporting detail and information. When completed, please return to the administration at either school by **Monday, October 23, 2017**.

1. Define your request:

Middlefork teachers would like to request 2 additional picnic tables for our playground.

2. Amount requested:

\$665.00/Hex Picnic Table from PlasTEAK + shipping
\$1330 for 2 tables + shipping

Dedicated Dolphins purchased one of the tables with funds from last year and the shipping was around \$150 for one table. I do not think this amount will double with two tables but it will definitely be more.

The total cost for one table was about \$800.00 including shipping.

3. Can this project be funded in stages? If yes, what timetable is involved? If no, please explain your due date for funds.

Yes, tables can be purchased separately.

4. Has this request been reviewed by the school administration? What was their response as to its merit and priority?

Yes, Dr. Greene is always looking for ways to make recess an enjoyable time for all children and the positive response from the first table this year has shown the need to give more students a place to play during recess that does not include running around.

5. Number of Students that will be impacted or benefit from your request:

Over 200 students as the tables can be used by all Middlefork students.

6. Is this a one-time request or do you envision needing additional PTO funds in the future or long range? If you will require additional PTO funds, please explain why this cannot be added into your annual budget.

This is a one-time request.

7. What is the intended goal of your request? Would it have any other uses or applications? Is this a start up program or is it enhancing an existing program? Use additional paper if needed.

- Dedicated Dolphins purchased one table to add to the playground for this year. The table is packed and completely crowded with children at every recess. Having additional tables would allow students to do different activities during recess. The current table has become the coloring table. Other tables could offer kids a place to play board games, read or write.

8. What are the long-range benefits of your request?

There is a great deal of research supporting frequent breaks for children. Many children take those breaks by running, engaging in a group game. It is becoming more and more evident that many children would benefit from less rigorous and more introspective breaks.

9. If you are requesting a capital asset/investment, please provide a minimum of two options/pricing quotes on the item and attach to this form. Please identify your first choice and why.

Since Dedicated Dolphins did research last year to decide on this table, we feel any additional tables should match.

10. Have you exhausted all other funding options before coming to the PTO Gifts Program?

These tables fall outside of the regular school budget. Dedicated Dolphins worked very hard to earn the funds for the first table last year.