

# **PTO FUNDS**

**EVERY YEAR THE PTO RAISES MONEY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SCHOOLS IN A VARIETY OF WAYS. EACH STUDENT IN GRADES 3 – 8 RECEIVES AN ASSIGNMENT NOTEBOOK AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR. ASSIGNMENT NOTEBOOKS ARE AN EXCELLENT WAY FOR STUDENTS TO LEARN ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS, AND THEY ALSO PROVIDE A MEANS OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PARENTS AND TEACHERS.**

**THE PTO ALSO PROVIDES MANY LOW COST FAMILY ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR, INCLUDING: MOVIE NIGHT, SANTA'S SECRET SHOP, 5<sup>TH</sup>/6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE SKATING PARTY, AND SEVERAL FAMILY FUN NIGHTS.**

**DURING THE WEEK OF ISAT TESTING IN MARCH, THE PTO PROVIDES EACH STUDENT WITH A NEW PENCIL AND SNACK. GRADUATION PINS ARE ALSO GIVEN TO STUDENTS AS THEY LEAVE THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DURING 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GRADUATION.**

**IN ADDITION TO THE ITEMS THAT THE PTO SUPPLIES DIRECTLY TO THE STUDENTS, WE GIVE FUNDS TO EACH SCHOOL AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR TO USE AT THEIR DISCRETION. THESE FUNDS INCLUDE THE ENRICHMENT FUND, THE DISTRIBUTION FUND, AND THE LITERACY FUND.**

**THE ENRICHMENT FUND IS GIVEN TO EACH SCHOOL AS A MEANS OF IMPROVING THE OVERALL SCHOOL EXPERIENCE FOR OUR STUDENTS. THESE FUNDS ARE MEANT TO BE USED DIRECTLY FOR THE STUDENTS AS A WAY OF MOTIVATING PERFORMANCE AND MAKING SCHOOL EXCITING. THESE FUNDS HAVE BEEN USED FOR SUCH THINGS AS CHARACTER EDUCATION ASSEMBLIES, READING PROMOTION ASSEMBLIES, THE FRIDAY FRIENDS PROGRAM, STUDENT INCENTIVES, END OF THE YEAR PICNICS, ETC.**

**THE DISTRIBUTION FUND IS GIVEN TO EACH SCHOOL AS A MEANS OF SUPPLEMENTING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET. THE PRINCIPALS HAVE USED THESE FUNDS TO PURCHASE TECHNOLOGY, SOFTWARE, TEACHER REQUESTS, ETC. AFTER THEIR SCHOOL FUNDS ARE EXHAUSTED.**

**THE LITERACY FUND IS GIVEN TO EACH SCHOOL AS A MEANS OF PROMOTING READING. THESE FUNDS ARE ALWAYS USED TO PURCHASE SOME KIND OF READING MATERIAL WHETHER IT'S LEVELED READERS FOR CLASSROOM USE OR NEW BOOKS FOR THE LIBRARY.**

**THE FUNDS THE PTO PROVIDES ENRICHES THE SCHOOL EXPERIENCE AND HELPS IN MAKING CHANNAHON SCHOOL DISTRICT 17 ONE OF THE BEST SCHOOL DISTRICTS AROUND. THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!**