

Dear Parents:

The Bronx Science Parents' Association Fund Drive is on! Thank you to those who have already given to support our students. For those who haven't yet made a donation, we hope that you will consider doing so.

Bronx Science needs the generous financial support of our entire parent community so that students have everything they need to reach their full potential. Donating to the Parents' Association provides much needed support for our academic programs that is not provided by the Department of Education.

So far this year, less than 5% of Bronx Science families have donated to the PA Fund Drive. Please remember that if we don't raise enough money, we won't be able to fund many of the programs that we've come to expect. Here is just a partial list of the things we parents pay for at Bronx Science:

NAVIANCE - 100% of our children use Naviance, the online high school course selection and college data information program. 100% of the cost of Naviance is paid for by the Parents' Association.

JUPITER GRADES - 100% of our children and their parents can use Jupiter Grades to follow their academic success, track grades, and receive homework assignments. 100% of the cost of Jupiter Grades is paid for by the Parents' Association.

COLLEGE PROCESS - 100% of our children will take advantage of the College Guidance office. Parents' Association dollars pay for staff members to attend the NACAC Conference and the College Board Forum, College Fair expenses, expenses for college reps who visit the school, and funding to allow school counselors to stay late to provide extra services to students and parents.

CLUBS - 100% of our children can take advantage of the many clubs and student organizations available. The Parents' Association pays for 100% of the cost of these programs.

SPORTS - 100% of our children can compete on our great Bronx Science sports teams. The Parents' Association pays for team uniforms, equipment and teacher stipends.

PLANNERS - 100% of our children receive a yearly student academic planner to keep track of their work. The Parents' Association pays for these planners.

TURNITIN.COM - 100% of our children will be required to use Turnitin.com to monitor for plagiarism and maintain academic integrity. The Parents' Association pays for Turnitin.com.

COMMUNICATION - 100% of our families receive telephone or computer communication from the school when there is an important announcement to make, including critical school-wide safety and emergency announcements on the K-12 Alert System. The Parents' Association pays for all of these systems.

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The suggested donation is \$500 per student. We are a financially diverse population, and we recognize that for some families this is a huge financial stretch while others can easily give more. So, please be as generous as your budget allows - contributions of all sizes are greatly appreciated. Donations can even be made automatically on a monthly basis on our website in whatever increments are comfortable for you.

The Bronx Science PA is a 501c3 non-profit organization, so all donations are tax deductible. Many companies will match employee donations, so please ask your company if they will match yours.

There are two easy ways you can donate to the Parents' Association:

- Use the enclosed envelope and donate by check or by credit card.
- Donate on the PA website: BXSciencePA.org

The PA Fund Drive Phonathon is scheduled for late November. During the phonathon, parent volunteers will be calling all families in the school to ask for a donation. However, if you have made a donation before November 1st, you will not be called.

Thank you very much!

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