

Dear Friend of Withers Elementary,

## The Withers Elementary community would like to extend a warm thank you for your consideration of a donation to our upcoming annual fundraiser and auction event, "Withers54!"

Last year's event was a tremendous success thanks to the support of local businesses like yours. We would like to invite you to join us as we continue to work not only to help our children, but to continue the extraordinary ripple effect of investing in a **local, public** school in the heart of Dallas.

Lovingly dubbed "The Little School That Could" by the Dallas Morning News, Withers Elementary resides in the heart of Dallas. We are a Title I school staffed by some of the best teachers in Dallas who have achieved the state's highest ratings through their work and, of course, your support. With nearly 50% of students considered "economically disadvantaged," support outside of our immediate school families is critical for our continued success.

Last year's efforts raised more than \$100,000 with the proceeds funding two key areas: schoolwide field trips and much-needed facility improvements.

In the past, auction funds have been used to renovate our school library, create new outdoor play areas, update our computer lab and other facility improvements. Auction funds are also a driving factor in providing the highest quality field trips for our students, including a 5<sup>th</sup> grade overnight trip to Sky Ranch (a truly remarkable trip for many of our students who have never traveled away from home) and a 4<sup>th</sup> grade day trip to our state capital in Austin.

Looking ahead, there are more areas to improve like classroom technology and upcoming field trips to be funded! The 2020 event will be held on Saturday, April 18th at Gas Monkey Live. We would like to count on your support in the form of a donation to our auction event.

The event will host more than 250 attendees, including Withers parents and alumni, school board trustees, as well as friends and family from surrounding neighborhoods. It is our hope that your business will benefit from the exposure and Withers will benefit from your generosity.

Please return the attached donation form to the address listed. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at withersauction@gmail.com.

Thank you in advance for your support of Withers Elementary School. We truly could not do it without you!

Sincerely,

Kelli Love, Mini DeLashaw, Michelle Bryan, and Beth Fremder 2020 Auction Committee Daniel Love President, Withers Dad's Club/PTO

Withers Dad's Club exists to benefit the students of Withers Elementary. Federal Tax Identification #27-0581991. Withers54 is a project of Dad's Club and a committee of dedicated parents.

