



Dear Families,

Hillsborough public schools consistently rank among the very best in California, despite the state's low ranking for public school funding nationwide. This remarkable achievement is largely due to the unwavering support of the *Hillsborough Schools Foundation (HSF)* and our incredible community, which have united for over forty years to bridge the funding gap to ensure our children receive a top-tier education.

Why Your Support Matters:

Our schools rely on the generosity of families like yours to maintain the Excellence of a Hillsborough Education, which includes:

- **Exceptional teachers and staff** who inspire and guide our children every day.
- **Distinction in math and reading** that prepares students for future success.
- **Small class sizes** that foster personalized learning experiences.
- **Dedicated counselors and specialists** who support students' well-being.
- **1:1 devices** for all students ensuring equitable access to technology.

Your Contribution Makes a Difference:

Each donation, regardless of size, has a profound impact on our students' lives, resulting in increased student engagement and improved test scores.

This year, we need to raise \$3.7 million to sustain these essential programs and resources. Here's how you can help:

- **Join the NEW Leadership Level** with a leadership contribution of \$15,000 or more per family.
- **Join the Scholars' Circle** with a contribution of \$10,000 or more per family.
- **Donate at ACE** with a gift of \$3,100 or more per child to cover the Additional Cost to Educate each student. ACE donors fill the gap between the funds our public schools receive from the state/local funding sources.
- **Contribute any amount** that is meaningful to your family, including gifts of stock or through donor-advised funds. Every dollar brings us closer to our goal of 100% participation. We are all in this together, and your support is vital!

To learn more about HSF, annual fundraising events, and volunteer opportunities, visit us at [HSF.org](https://www.hsf.org).

THANK YOU for your essential support of our schools. Together, we can continue to provide our children with the best possible education.

Sincerely,

Lisa Duffell
2024-2025 HSF President

