

July 1, 2009

Dear Mustang Families,

We hope that you are having a fun and relaxing summer vacation. The Mira Costa PTSA is already in preparation for the 2009-2010 school year, and with that in mind, we are asking for your support.

Your financial support of the Mira Costa PTSA is more important than ever with the state funding cuts that impact Mira Costa and our School District. The PTSA has committed to assist with a number of school expenses previously funded by the District. This includes the majority of supplies, technology (PC's, printers and software), grading systems, library systems, school registration systems, college and career counseling (CCC) support and most recently, the summer re-design of our high school website. This, with services for students and advocacy, make your continued support even more important. Specific programs and support include:

- School Supplies
- Technology
- College & Career Center Support
- Staff Development
- State Advocacy - Capital Convoy
- School and PTSA Communications
- School Support Systems (GradeBook Wizard, Infosnap, Turnitin, Follett Library software)
- Teacher Requested Curriculum Enhancements
- Student Service Scholarships
- Student Honor Roll Recognition
- Students of the Month
- Scholar Quiz
- Freshman Portfolios
- PTSA Student/Family Directory

Your donation makes a difference. Please support your student and Mira Costa with a generous contribution today. We ask you to commit to **\$200 per student** to support our school. More than ever we need your financial support!

Please send your check by **September 15<sup>th</sup>** to:

- Receive a free PTSA Student Directory at Back to School Night.
- and - your donation will be acknowledged in the October newsletter.

Mira Costa High School is ranked as one of the top public high schools in the nation. This kind of distinction is not possible through public funding alone. It takes the dedication of teachers, as well as the involvement, time, and financial support of the parents, the PTSA and the Manhattan Beach Education Foundation (MBEF) to achieve these standards of excellence. The PTSA has the ability to provide materials and services needed on our campus, while the MBEF has the ability to fund our staff. Both organizations play a critical role in the success of our school and we hope you will generously support *both* the PTSA *and* the MBEF's continued efforts to make Manhattan Beach schools the best they can be.

Our goal is to meet our commitments and gain 100% participation and that cannot happen without your support. Please give generously to the MCHS PTSA. Your support will make a difference.

Sincerely,

Tami Brothers  
President  
Mira Costa PTSA

Denise Norden  
Co-VP Membership  
Mira Costa PTSA

Jean Van Zanten  
Co-VP Membership  
Mira Costa PTSA

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