

From the moment they start learning, all children have the potential to be **successful**.

But it requires a special **investment** to help that potential flourish.....an investment that our state funding simply **doesn't cover**.

Planned grants to MBUSD from MBEF for the 2011-2012 school year exceed **\$4.6 million**

Elementary

- Small class sizes*
- Science Specialist
- Reading Enrichment
- Computer Specialists
- Librarians

Districtwide

- Music
- 21st Century Curriculum & Technology Support (includes iPad pilot program)
- Writing Initiative

*Today, 1 in 5 elementary school teachers are funded by MBEF. As a result, our class sizes are smaller than in neighboring school districts enhancing our teachers' ability to meet individual student needs.

In Manhattan Beach, only 20% of local property taxes come back to our schools. So, while other top-ranked districts pass parcel taxes to make up for the shortfall, we rely on donations to MBEF to maintain high-quality schools. **MBUSD is ranked #3 out of all unified school districts in the state.** Please help us to maintain excellence in our education program with a donation of **\$1250 per child**.

How Can I Donate?

Online

www.mbef.org

Mail

Complete a donation form and mail to:
MBEF
PO Box 1110
Manhattan Beach, CA
90267-1110

Deliver

Complete a donation form and return it to the Pacific School office

Installments

Personalize a payment plan at
www.mbef.org

Pledge

Pledge now
Pay later.
at
www.mbef.org

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Together, MBEF & PTA Fuel Quality Education

If you are new to the Pacific School community, we welcome you into an environment where parents and educators believe in MBEF's motto, "Better Schools Brighter Future". Public education succeeds in Manhattan Beach because our community places a strong value on high quality schools and works together to make them a reality.



Purpose

A non-profit organization that provides MBUSD with grants to fund programs considered an essential part of a quality, well-rounded education that are not paid for by the state.

Funds

MBEF funds the *people* necessary to teach critical programs including teachers and support staff.

Fundraising

MBEF raises funds *one year in advance* so that its grants can be included in MBUSD's budget planning to pay for teachers. These funds effectively close the gap between what the state gives MBUSD and what it costs to provide a quality education. **Please help maintain excellence in our schools by donating \$1250 per child.**

Purpose

Each of the 7 school sites in Manhattan Beach has its own Board of Directors that raises funds to support the site-specific needs for each campus.

Funds

PTA raises funds to pay for site-specific items such as technology, school supplies, classroom materials and the current year's operational support staff to keep the campus running throughout the school year.

Fundraising

PTA bylaws require funds to be raised and spent *in the same school year*. PTA raises funds through a variety of drives and events throughout the school year beginning with the Annual Membership Drive. **Please join today!**

While we can thank MBEF for our librarians, computer and science specialists, PTA pays for our library books, computers, software and science labs. Each organization would not succeed without the other. Despite their different roles, both MBEF and PTA work together to fund critical programs. Because of these organizations, our schools continue to be progressive and offer a high-quality education to our children.