



Dear Alamo School Families,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! The Alamo School Education Fund is a volunteer-run organization that works together with the principal and staff to fund special programs and personnel on campus. We are an affiliate of the [San Ramon Valley Education Foundation](#) and a 501(c)(3) non-profit. We work to enrich the education of **all Alamo School students**.

The Ed Fund was established to bridge the gap between public funding and the funding necessary to provide all the resources and activities that we have at Alamo.

We can't reach our budget goals without **you** and hope you will assist us this year in reaching our fundraising goals to preserve what makes Alamo special. Thank you in advance for your support of the Ed Fund and our mission!

What Does The Ed Fund Pay For? Where Does My Donation Go?

We **must raise a minimum of \$353,928** this year to pay for the salaries of the classroom **paraeducators & program** specialists and for the associated supplies & expenses that enrich student learning at Alamo. It is imperative that we secure as much of our budget as possible early in the school year to keep these programs and services available to our children.

This year, we are committed to funding **216 staff hours per week**. This includes:

- 10 classroom paraeducators
- 2 reading intervention instructional assistants
- 1 music teacher
- 1 math intervention instructional assistant
- Additional hours for Rainbow Room social emotional support
- Additional library hours

Ed Fund also pays for supplies for **art, music, science, library and Skyhawks** organized sports programs available at lunch recess. These programs are funded only by donations to the Ed Fund and would not otherwise be available to our students.

How Does The Ed Fund Fundraise During The Year?

Annual fundraisers held throughout the year include:

- **Annual Giving Campaign** (50%)
- **Gala and live auction & Online auction** (40%)

- Other (10%):
 - **ThinkWorks** enrichment classes
 - **Teacher Treats**
 - **Restaurant giveback nights and retail partnerships**

It takes a village to put on these events! Look for volunteer opportunities during the Future Fund registration as well or email us at the address below if you're interested in helping this year.

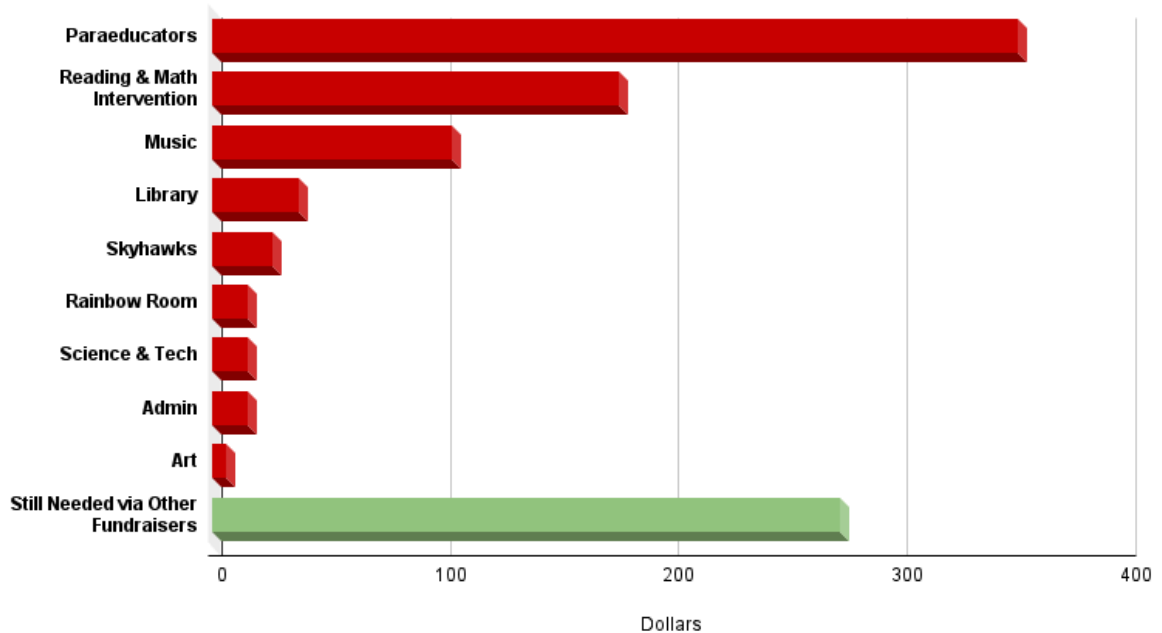
What Is The Annual Giving Campaign?

Alamo Elementary School, like many other schools in the area, receives very little funding from the district, state, and federal government. In order to provide high-quality programs, enrichment opportunities, and dedicated classroom paraeducators, we hold our **Annual Giving Campaign** at registration. We are striving for 100% parent participation to reach our goal of \$160,000

For the 2024-2025 school year, we are asking for a suggested donation of **\$750 per student**. The actual cost Ed Fund will **spend per student is closer to \$1025**, however we endeavor to make up the difference with our other fundraisers that take place throughout the year.

Please keep in mind that *everyone* benefits from having paraeducators & intervention services available, even if a student is not directly participating in those specific programs, by reducing staff to student ratios & allowing classroom teachers to better meet the individual needs of *all* students.

Where Does My \$750 Donation Go?



Be on the look out: This platform will open on **August 6th** and is the way you can register your students and:

- Make your suggested contribution to the Alamo School Ed Fund
- Sign your child up for programs like chorus or chimes
- Sign any required waivers
- View and select volunteer opportunities
- and much more!

Does Your Employer Match?

Many employers have a corporate match program that could double (or triple) your donation! Also, many companies extend their matching gifts program to match donations made by their employee's spouse. Please see [this website](#) to see if your employer will match your donation and how to submit the request.

During the registration process, we will ask for your employer. This is only so we can research if your company matches. A volunteer will send you an email with important information and you will receive a PDF receipt to submit to your employer. We cannot submit the request on your behalf.

Enjoy the last few weeks of summer and thank you in advance for your generosity!

Sincerely,

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**Save the date for our largest in-person fundraising event and evening of fun:
“Big Easy Bash: Fun & Fundraising in the French Quarter” live auction and
gala, scheduled for Saturday, March 29th, 2024 at Round Hill Country Club.**