

# INVEST IN YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL

Parents invest their time and money in order to support teachers and enhance their children's education.

## Providing Time

Whether you're interested in assisting at a one-time event or chairing a committee, the PTO and SEF need your help. There's something for everybody, and every job makes a difference.

## Providing Funds

Fundraising is an important part of supporting our school. The inside of this brochure explains the major fundraisers that we hope every family will support.

The following also raise a minimal amount of money for the PTO, but they are mainly provided as a service to families:

- Square One Art
- Spirit Wear

## Other School Events and Services

The school organizes several events, such as the Fun Run and Scholastic Book Fairs. Classroom reps also collect money for classroom parties. **While these events and services are worthwhile and supportive of the school, these are not PTO or SEF fundraisers.**



**EHSI PTO & SEF**  
**YOUR SCHOOL**  
**YOUR CHILDREN**  
**YOUR INVESTMENT**

## FOR MORE INFORMATION



Eagle Heights Spanish Immersion School PTO  
[www.ehsipto.org](http://www.ehsipto.org)



Spanish Education Fund  
[www.spanisheducationfund.org](http://www.spanisheducationfund.org)



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IMMERSION SCHOOL**

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# EHSI PTO

The Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) at EHSI is comprised of parents working to enhance your child's school experience.

## What does the PTO do?

- Sponsors family oriented social and/or academic events.
- Supports teacher education.
- Provides program and curriculum supplements.
- Organizes parent volunteers.
- Promotes a strong school community.

## What does the PTO pay for?

- Family Fun Night
- Science and Engineering Night
- Classroom supplies reimbursement for teachers
- Grants to teachers for new innovative programs
- Specialized staff training
- Equipment and supplies for the school (rock wall, STEM learning kits, OSMO cooling kits, flexible seating and desks, Lego robotics, tower gardens, etc.)
- Teacher appreciation meals
- Spring Dance Festival costumes

## How does the PTO pay for these?

### Maratón de Lectura (October)

- Helps students develop their reading skills and love for books while raising money to support our school. Students set weekly reading minute goals all month long and seek sponsors.
- PTO's MAIN fundraiser, funding over 90% of the PTO Budget.
- All dollars raised go directly back to the school and classrooms.

# SPANISH EDUCATION FUND & INTERNATIONAL INTERN PROGRAM

The Spanish Education Fund (SEF) focuses on one thing – supporting the SEF International Intern Program. Our International Interns volunteer to share their native language and cultures with students while assisting in the classroom.

## What does the SEF do?

- Funds the International Intern Program.
- Recruits host and buddy families.
- Organizes intern transportation.
- Collects and distributes intern winter clothing.

## What does the SEF pay for?

- Intern Program Coordinator's stipend
- Monthly intern stipends
- Visa and recruiting fees
- School lunches for interns

## How does the SEF pay for these?

The SEF Intern Program is 100% parent funded through:

### SEF Annual Contribution Campaign (Year-round, with focus in August)

- Parents make annual financial contributions instead of participating in traditional fundraisers. They can contribute by check or credit card online through PayPal – make one payment each fall or set up monthly payments.

### Employer Matching & Workplace-based Giving Campaigns

- Many companies match their employees' donations, doubling their gift. Families can check with their employers' human resources department to see if they participate.



## PTO MISSION

Build partnerships among the school community members (students, parents, and staff) and to promote an environment that nurtures and supports exceptional learning.

## SEF MISSION

Support the Eden Prairie Spanish Immersion program, through sustainable funding, to host the best volunteer international Spanish-speaking interns and provide other educational and cultural resources.