

LOCKELAND DESIGN CENTER PTO 2022-2023 ANNUAL REPORT



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On behalf of the 2022/23 LDC Board, I would like to thank the parents, teachers and staff for all of their support.

Due to your generosity, the LDC PTO Board's fundraising efforts, and fiscal management, we are pleased to announce that we'll be able to fund a Math Interventionist position and a new color printer for the 23/24 school year! Year after year, the LDC teachers' #1 PTO ask is continued funding of the interventionist position. Like our Reading Interventionist, the Math Interventionist will assist the classroom teachers by providing specialized math support to students referred for tier 1 and above intervention. We are so pleased to be able to offer this assistance to help ensure the success of all LDC students.

This year was also a banner year because of the return of in-person events, especially Lockeland Live! Huge thanks to Dawn Ducote for stepping up and leading this large scale event and to all the volunteers, student acts, and supporters for making it possible after a three year hiatus.

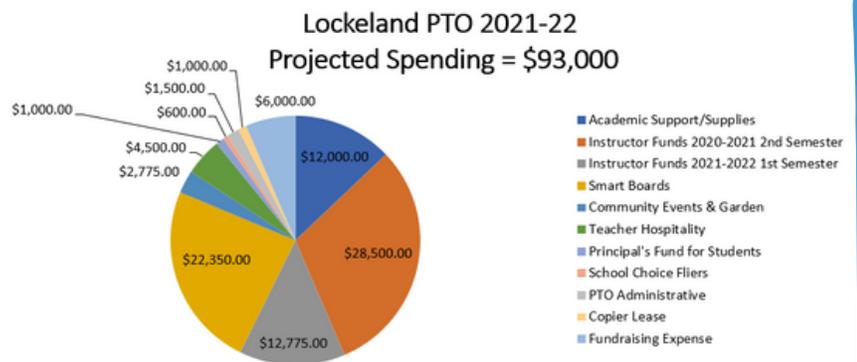
I want to wish our 5th grade families the best of luck as they travel on to middle school. Thank you for your fortitude and school leadership for the past 2 years. Please come back and visit!

Finally a special thanks to Principal Lewis, Ms. Denson, Ms. Wisniewski and the PTO Board for all the effort, wisdom and time they have invested into this school year. I am so proud of our accomplishments and to have served on the board for the past 8 years. LDC is such a special school in the heart of a very special community. I know I am not alone when I say I am grateful to be part of it. Best wishes for a great summer! See you in August!

- Amy Taylor, President

BUDGET

- Forecasted Revenue for the 2021-2022 School year is 83,000. Our primary source of funding comes from the Invest LDC fundraising drive at approximately \$55k, followed by Community Investment and Event Fundraising efforts.
- We project that total Expenditures through May 31, 2022 will be approximately \$93,000.
- Spending was aligned with our expectations for the year as we planned to use excess reserve funds accumulated over the past two years to assist with Smart Board purchases to improve classroom technology.
- Anticipated year end cash balance is \$100,000. Reserves were accumulated in previous years prior to funding Interventionist and Computer teacher positions. The PTO will maintain reserves to support ongoing support for the Interventionist position and consider additional support needs each year.



- The Budget for 2022-2023 was approved in our April, 2022 General Board meeting. Each year we work closely with Principal Lewis and the Teaching Staff to identify needs and determine how the PTO can provide the most impactful support for our students and teachers.
- Key planned expenditures for next year include continued funding for an Instructional Specialist, ongoing Academic Support for teachers, and the purchase of a Poster Maker and Color Copier and related supplies.

INDIVIDUAL FUNDRAISING REPORT

Thank you Lockeland families! This school year you raised more than \$55,000 to support students and staff!

Invest LDC! accounts for over half of the PTO's annual income. Thanks to your generosity we raised over **\$51,000** this year through the Invest program. We are looking to further promote corporate match in future years to maximize these benefits.

Bike Rack Pavers were offered again as an opportunity for Lockeland families to buy a personalized, etched brick as a permanent fixture in our Lockeland bike rack to commemorate their time at LDC. With 19 bricks sold, the paver sales are estimated to raise over **\$3,000** for our school. This year's pavers will be etched and ready for viewing by the middle of May.

Rewards Programs provided another contribution to our fundraising efforts. Thank you for your purchases at Amazon Smile, Kroger, and Publix. This is a great way to support the staff and students with little to no effort. This school year we have raised over **\$1,600** through rewards programs just through March, and we still have 2 months to go!

Thank you again, Lockeland families, for all you do and for making this an amazing year!

Mandy Gillian, VP Fundraising, Individual Giving
Julie Jenkins, Assistant VP Fundraising, Individual Giving



Lockeland PTO Community Leaders Program

Community leaders are local businesses that sponsor the LDC PTO, and donations range from \$500-\$2500.
Community leaders are local businesses that sponsor the LDC PTO, and donations ranged from \$250-\$2500.

For the 2022-23 year, these donations totaled over **\$25,000** and included the following businesses. Thank you so very much to all of these sponsors in our community!





FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

The PTO was thrilled to bring back a family favorite this year:
Family Movie Night!

Each year we love to end our fall fundraising campaign, InvestLDC!, with a Family Movie Night!. We handed out free popcorn, sold pizza by the slice, and enjoyed watching Disney Pixar's *Luca* under the stars. Many thanks to our popcorn poppers, clean-up crew, and the LDC administration for giving us access to the school restrooms!

URBAN COWBOY SPRING SOCIAL

In April, we once again had a magical evening at Urban Cowboy for parents and teachers. All ticket sales and proceeds from bourbon bottle sales (thanks to **Weiss Liquors**) benefitted the PTO.

Urban Cowboy donated the event space, staff, and drinks, and we continue to appreciate their generosity.



LDC COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER NIGHTS & EVENTS

We had so much amazing support from the business and parent community this year in a variety of ways, including our Community Leaders' donations, our **BoomBozz**, **Jeni's**, and **Top Golf** Spirit Nights, and the Urban Cowboy Spring Social. We also raised additional funds from selling LDC t-shirts from years past in the fall and LDC art prints in the spring!

Our back to school Boombozz fundraiser in August earned nearly a thousand dollars, and our Jeni's fundraiser earned \$450 back to the PTO. This year, we added a highly-acclaimed Family Skate Night at **Rivergate Skate**, raising \$700. We also had two fundraising events at **Top Golf**, one in the fall and one in spring, each earning a thousand dollars for the PTO!



LOCKELAND LIVE! RETURNS

The much anticipated return of the annual variety show, Lockeland Live! was a success. Our LD-Sea Stars impressed us with their talent and creativity, and kept us laughing along the way! Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped with the fantastic decorations, concessions, t-shirt design and sales, tech, and stage managing.

Additional thanks to:

- Host **Scot Sax**
- **Principal Lewis** and the teachers and staff who entertained us with their creativity and humor
- Our amazing and talented kids
- **Ronée Swafford** and community volunteer **Justin Curtis** for sound engineering and all things tech
- Stratford High School Principal, **Dr. Michael Pratt**



VOLUNTEER SHOUT-OUTS!

The main driving force behind LDC is our wonderful volunteers! The LDC administration and staff would like to extend many thanks to all of the volunteers who help make our school great! We are forever grateful! Parents have volunteered in a variety of ways this year:

Sent in snacks and Treasure Box items

Donated supplies for Class Projects

Helped students find library books & checkout

Led stations at Field Day

Helped with class parties

Provided sweet treats for LDC staff & administration

Participated in Fun Run & Running Club

Helped with Lockeland Live!

Hung art in the hallways for Related Arts Night

Planted and nurtured the school garden

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