

Inspired Families Association 2017-18

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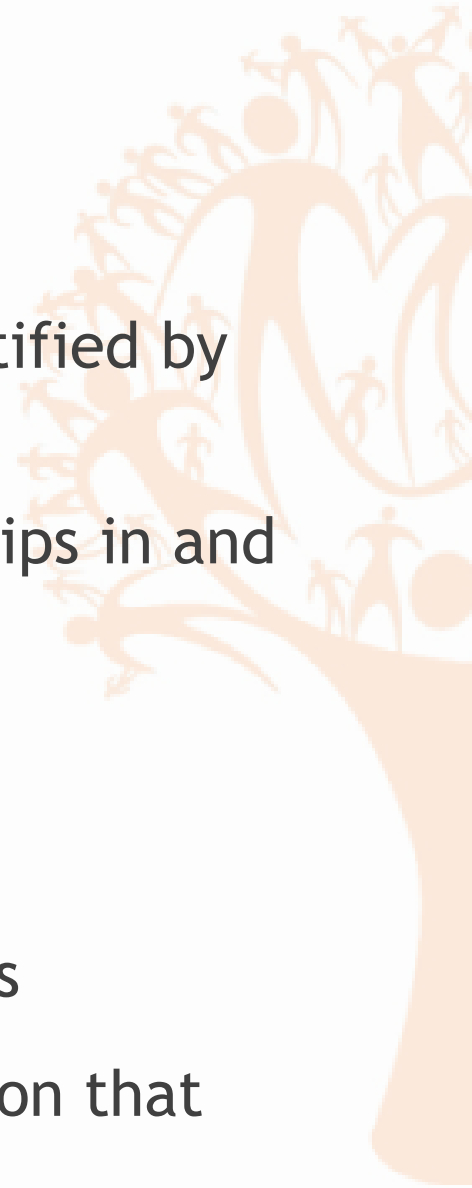
* IFA Purpose

- * **The Inspired Families Association (IFA)** is dedicated to supporting education of the children at the Inspired Teaching Demonstration Public Charter School
- * There are no dues or fees to join the IFA. All caregivers of students at the Inspired Teaching School are members.



* IFA Goals

- * Raise and expend funds to meet needs identified by the school
- * Develop and maintain community relationships in and near the school
- * Support student recruitment efforts
- * Support the needs of our teachers and staff
- * Support school and family social interactions
- * Provide an open forum for sharing information that impacts students and families



President

Mary Pitts

Hatcher and Lavinia (2nd)

Vice President

Clifton Durant

Cameron (5th) and Avery (1st)

Treasurer

Emma Cummings

Lucy (4th) and Phoebe (2nd)

Secretary

Linda Wilson

Dori (4th) and Simona (1st)

Members at Large

Charmaine Brandon

Emma (3rd)

Shaun Cross

Hazel (5th), Anderson (2nd), and
Milo (PK4)

Charles Montgomery

Maria (5th), Charlie (1st), and
Gabrielle (PK4)

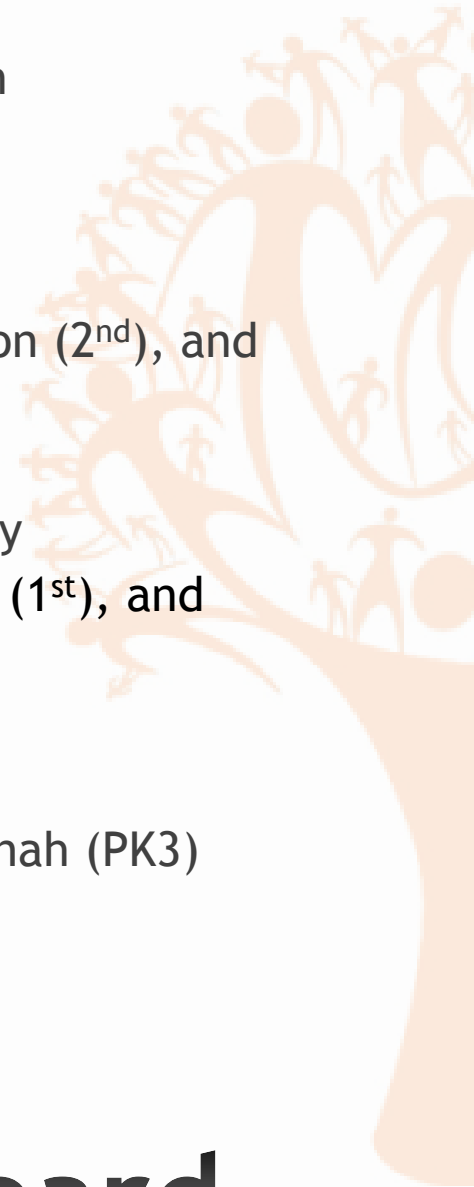
Jessica Perlmutter

Abby (2nd) and Hannah (PK3)

Erica Skolnik

Julian (2nd)

 **IFA Board**

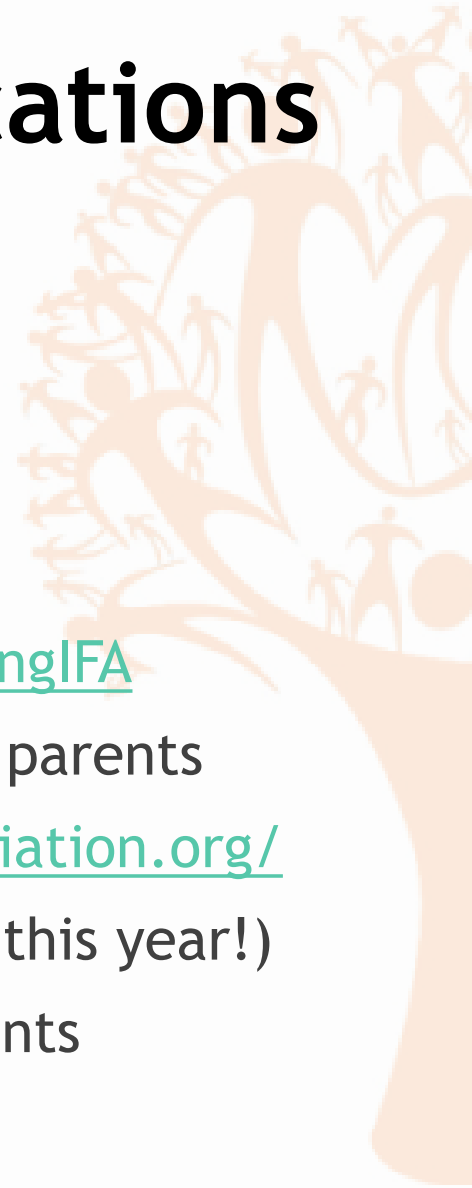


*What we do: Communications

Contact: Shaun Cross or Linda Wilson

Activities Include:

- * IFA Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/inspiredteachingIFA>
- * Information-sharing via Google group and room parents
- * IFA web site, <http://www.inspiredfamiliesassociation.org/>
- * Bloomz parent to parent tech support (new for this year!)
- * Fliers on doors and in orange folders for IFA events
- * Inspired Families Google group

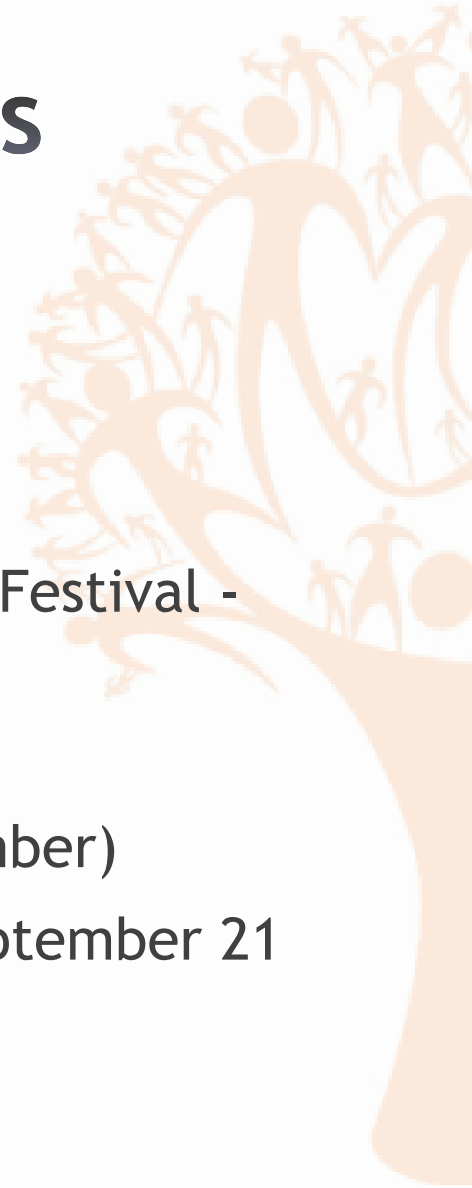


*What we do: Social Events

Contact: Erica Skolnik or **SEEKING CO-CHAIR**

Activities Include:

- * Festivals (Chili Cookoff - February, International Festival - Spring, Fall Festival - Fall)
- * Summer grade level play dates (August)
- * Back to school picnic and baseball game (September)
- * Third Thursday coffees - 1st Third Thursday is September 21
- * And more...



*What we do: Staff Appreciation

Contact: Kalena Clarke or Charmaine Brandon or **SEEKING CO-CHAIR**

Activities Include:

- * Professional Development Days - Provide meal or snack
- * Teacher Conference Days - Organize healthy snacks
- * Organize Teacher and Staff Appreciation Events
- * Assist with promoting the school's Amazon wishlist

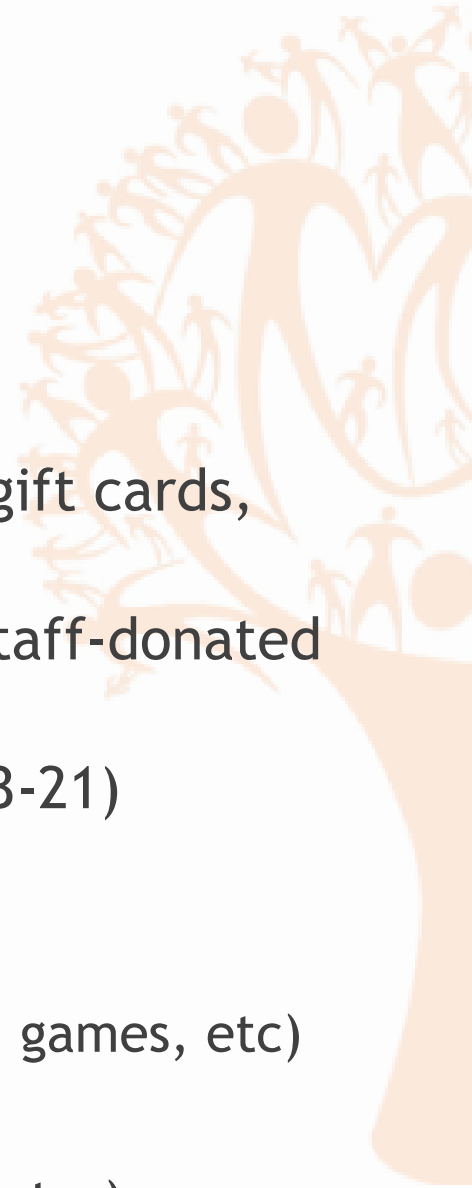


*What we do: Fundraising

Contact: Melissa Cross or Nicole Hamam

Activities Include:

- * Online auction (February) for camps, services, gift cards, classes, experiences, and more
- * All-school raffle (winter, at Chili cook-off) for staff-donated “experiences”
- * Spring Inspired Giving fundraising drive (April 13-21)
- * Inspired Evening party (April 21)
 - * Silent auction of student art
 - * Live auction of class experiences (theater, sports, games, etc)
- * Restaurant and food delivery give-back nights
- * Rewards and loyalty programs (Boxtops, Giant, etc.)



Inspired Giving: 2017/2018 School Year



WHAT IS INSPIRED GIVING?

Inspired Giving is the name of the Inspired Teaching School's Annual Fund. It is comprised of fundraising efforts which go directly to the Inspired Teaching Demonstration Public Charter School. The goal is to raise and provide unrestricted funds to expand resources and opportunities in and out of the classroom well beyond the limits of the budget we receive from the District.



WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

Money raised during the 2017-2018 school year will be spent the following year. ITS leadership determines fund allocation. Inspired Giving funds have provided transportation for field trips, books, contributed to the expansion of our music program and our library and media center. Last years fundraising specifically went to the support of after school club expenses, new recess equipment, 75 additional Chromebooks, the support of two new staff positions, in-depth Professional Development for key staff in our new math curriculum and helped keep health care costs for staff flat.



INSPIRED GIVING



Building Community. Expanding Opportunity.



WHAT IS 100+?

This year we are continuing to focus on our broader goal: **Building Community.** Every member of our school community is vital and valued. 100% participation is a key component to our success. Last year we raised over \$150,000 with 77% participation! Think of what we can accomplish with 100%! Whether through volunteering, giving, or promoting (or all three!) we aim for each family to engage with our efforts in providing our students with every opportunity possible.



LOOKING AHEAD: UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EFFORTS

Please take note of the fundraising opportunities in the next few months!

Want to help? We need...

- > Committee Members
- > Fundraising Ambassadors
- > Helpers to solicit auction items



QUESTIONS? SUGGESTIONS?!

Please feel free to contact us.

fundraising@inspiredteachingschool.org



DO YOU KNOW YOU CAN DONATE ANYTIME?

ITS accepts donations all year through our established Razoo page.

razoo.com/organization/Inspiredteachingschool

* Recruitment Committee

Contact: Charles Montgomery or Jennifer Frewer

Activities Include:

- * Volunteer support for Inspired Teaching open houses
- * Volunteer support for city-wide EdFest (December 9)
- * New Family Outreach



*What we do: Beautification

Contact: Emma Cummings

Activities Include:

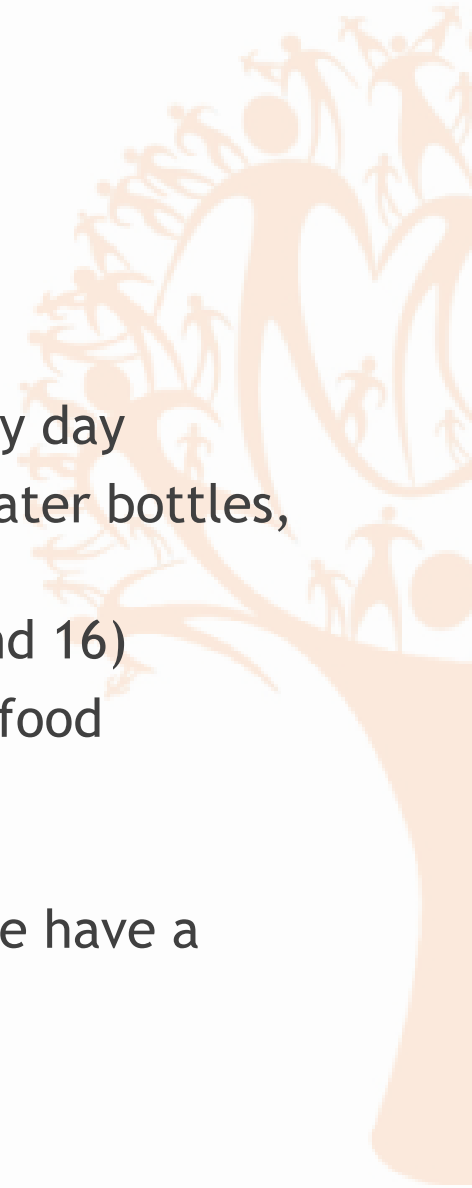
- * Plan service/beautification activities at all-school social events
- * Help with interior and exterior beautification projects, including garden plots
- * Keep ITS families informed about Edgewood Field renovation



* Other ways to volunteer

Activities Include:

- * Kiss and Go - 20-minute commitment at drop-off every day
- * Merchandise - organize, order, and sell ITS t-shirts, water bottles, magnets, and more
- * School photos - support school picture days (Oct. 3 and 16)
- * IFA meeting/family education night setup - help with food procurement and childcare sign-in
 - * Oct. 18, Feb. 1, April 10, May 14
- * Pitch-in: join our list of volunteers we call on when we have a particular need to meet





Last Year's Financial Summary

	2016-17 Spending
Staff Appreciation	\$2,000
Social Events	\$2,000
Child Care	\$1,600
Merchandise	\$1,100
Office and Administrative	\$1,000
Meeting Food	\$500
Beautification/Gardens	\$3,600
Total	\$11,800
	2016-17 Income
Donations	\$3,500
Merchandise	\$2,000
Photos	\$1,700
Social Events	\$800
Total	\$8,000
RESERVE	\$32,500



* IFA FALL EVENTS

September 21, 8-9 am: Third Thursday coffee - adult social gathering at drop-off.

October 3, 3:30-6:30 pm: Family Portrait fundraiser

October 16: School and class pictures (during school day)

October 18: Family Education Night and IFA All Families meeting, 6-8 pm



* MARK YOUR CALENDARS