

Medfield High School PTO, Inc. GRANTS & OTHER FUNDING in 2012-13

Grant: Athletic Banners (Eric Scott)

This grant provided funds to purchase new athletic banners for the MHS gymnasium. The new matching banners are easy to maintain and in compliance with current fire code. These banners will benefit countless students – past, present and future by giving them a sense of pride and providing an appealing showing of team accomplishments. There is also potential for increased attendance at athletic events as an indirect benefit.



Pep-Rally T-Shirts

The PTO took action to fund and provide Spirit T-Shirts to ALL students and teachers for the In-School Homecoming Pep-Rally. The T-shirts promote united school spirit at this event and for many months and years to come as some kids wear them out from repeated use!

Scholarships

Four scholarships were funded by the PTO and awarded to graduating seniors. Scholarships were for Excellence, Community Service, and School Spirit (2).



Teacher Appreciation Luncheons

The PTO organized and provided three Teacher Appreciation Luncheons with PTO funding and, many generous volunteers and their donations. The teachers really appreciate the parents doing something special for them as a thank you for everything the teachers do for our kids!

Grant: English Teacher Conference (Bethan Sancher)

The PTO granted the high school English department funding to participate in The New England Association of Teachers of English (NEATE) conference on November 1 and 2. The theme of this conference was “Teaching the Next Generation”. Conferences like this are important to stay current with best practices in teaching literature to our students. This year MHS teachers not only attended but were also selected to present at two workshops. One workshop shared classroom strategies to build individual student success on MCAS. The second workshop highlighted the English department initiative to use new technology to help students learn better and collaborate more.



Grant: Visiting Artist Workshop (Meg Drew/Kate Jones)



This grant made it possible for MHS art students to have a special visiting artist. Artist Nan Rumpf presented three 90-minute and one 45-minute workshop on experimental watercolor techniques. The presentation included a lecture on the attributes of watercolor as a medium and the effects that can be gained through experimental processes. In addition, Nan discussed maintaining a professional studio, as well as exhibiting and selling of works.

Grant: Nutrition/Healthy Living Conference (Maria Hutsick)

This grant funded the cost for the MHS Athletic Trainer to attend a conference on developing and expanding nutritional skills. Knowledge gained at the conference allowed MHS to further develop nutritional coursework in Wellness and better advise student athletes with nutritional concerns.



Grant: Canopy Tents (Jeff Sperling)

This PTO grant funded the purchase of commercial-grade canopy tents for MHS to use at graduation and other outdoor school events. These tents provide shelter from elements of the weather for those who really need it, helping to make attendance possible for everyone interested.

Grant: Camcorder for Music Program (Doug Olsen)

This PTO grant provided funding for the Music Department to purchase a high definition camcorder. The camcorder was used to record workshops and concerts during the Jazz Band's trip to China and shared in presentations upon return. This will further promote languages, foreign exchanges, and music in the MHS community. The camcorder is also being used as an assessment tool for other MHS concerts and rehearsals.



Teacher Inspiration Award

The PTO provided funding for a Teacher Inspiration Award. The recipient is selected and presented the award by the senior class, as the teacher who most inspired them during their high school years.