



Give Big Fundraiser for BMDL PTSA at Jing Mei

Dear Parents, Family, and Friends,

The BMDL PTSA provides funding for Jing Mei students to explore the world through field trips, library books, classroom resources, family nights, school events and cultural assemblies. We purchase tools and equipment that the hard-working classroom teachers need to enrich learning for our students. Last year we also partnered with the Bellevue School District to allow our teachers to attend the National Chinese Language Conference. Research shows that exceptional and informed teachers produce the most successful student outcomes. This year we would like to provide even more for our students and teachers. With your **Give Big** donations we will grow our library and allow the teachers even more ways to increase our children's education opportunities. We will allow teachers more options for field trips and add cultural and STEM opportunities.

This fall we are making it simpler to invest in your child's education and support the BMDL PTSA at Jing Mei. We will not require anything of you, except for writing a check. We ask you to **Give Big** to the BMDL PTSA at Jing Mei. The money that you donate is 100% tax deductible.

To accommodate the field trips, library and teacher resources for the 2014-2015 school year we would like to raise \$25,000 during the **Give Big** campaign. This would be a donation goal of \$250.00 per family. Please thoughtfully consider what you can give for our students. Any and all amounts will help us achieve our goal!

Please **Give Big** to the students of Jing Mei this year. This campaign will replace last year's Jingle Jog, and allow you a simple way to invest in your child's success. Please ask those who support your child's learning to give with you. Also ask your employers for matching funds if you have that benefit at your workplace.

We thank you from the students, teachers and parents of BMDL PTSA for your **Give Big** donation.

You can return the donation form with your check in an envelope labeled PTSA anytime through October 31st.

- To the PTSA drop-box in the school office
- Mail it to the BMDL PTSA
- Return it on our Pumpkin carving night Oct. 24th

We welcome your donation anytime you can give during the school year. Again, we thank you for taking the time to invest in our hard-working students and dedicated teachers!

Sincerely,

Jeana Weng

BMDL PTSA Director of Fundraising



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FACT SHEET

Question: What is the Give Big Fundraiser?

Answer: The Give Big Fundraiser will replace last year's Jingle Jog. Our goal is to raise \$25,000 during this event, which is approximately \$250 per student (that's just \$25 per month for the school year). We will need everyone's help to reach it. 100% of the proceeds benefit Jing Mei students! Your donation will also be 100% tax deductible.

Question: Why do we have fundraisers?

Answer: Because limited public school funds cannot provide all the resources and programs we want for our children.

Question: How is the money spent?

Answer: Our fundraisers provide for materials, events and learning opportunities that are not provided by the Bellevue School District. The PTSA hopes to provide outstanding resources and programs to enrich your child's experience at Jing Mei Elementary. Money raised from the Give Big Fundraiser will help support the PTSA to pay for things such as:

Learning supplies

- Chinese books for classroom libraries, science materials, recess equipment, etc.

Curriculum Enhancement

- Field trips (planning 2 per grade this year), educational workshops (i.e. Lego), assemblies (children's author visit, music, etc.)

School Wide Events

- Cultural Celebrations (Pilgrim Potluck, Multicultural Night, Chinese New Year), Field Day, Back to School Tea, Family Fun Nights (Pumpkin Carving, Game Nights, Movie Nights), Teacher Appreciation, School Spirit Week

Admin Expenses

- PTSA insurance, web site, member directory, photocopying, supplies, etc.

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