

PARTNERS IN CARING
The Home-School Association of The Phoenix Center

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YEAR-END NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

As we approach the end of another school year, I want to update you on what we've been doing. Partners in Caring has been very busy this year. In early December, we hosted our annual Holiday Boutique providing students with an opportunity to shop for holiday gifts for their friends and families. We were thrilled to sponsor an assembly in January, our first since 2020. The students enjoyed the interactive "Bubble Show". On February 14th, Partners in Caring treated students to pizza delivered to the classrooms to celebrate Valentine's Day. To finance these events, PIC organized both a fall and a spring fundraiser which together earned a profit of \$1,549.00.

On May 2nd, PIC hosted our annual catered staff luncheon in honor of Teacher/Staff Appreciation Day. I want to sincerely thank everyone who donated beverages and desserts as well as those who made cash donations. I especially want to thank those who volunteered their time to set up, serve and clean up that day. So much time and effort are required to prepare for and execute the luncheon successfully and it would not have been possible without your support. We received so many thank-you notes and cards from all the teachers and staff. It is truly the highlight of our efforts throughout the year to make the staff feel appreciated, in a small way, for all they do for our children.

As we look forward to the next school year, we encourage anyone interested in becoming an active member of Partners in Caring to join us at our monthly meetings. We welcome anyone who wants to come and find out more about what we do and we encourage you to share your thoughts and ideas. We hold a combination of both virtual and in person meetings so whatever your preference, please join us when you can.

I am so happy to announce that Kim Robinson will be the president of Partners in Caring for the 2023-2024 school year with Mayra Pastore continuing on as treasurer. This past school year was my last year at the The Phoenix Center. My time as a PIC officer has been so rewarding and I am grateful for all the support I received and the friends I made along the way. If you think you might be interested in becoming involved, please don't hesitate to contact me or our PIC liaison, Vikki Raider. Volunteers are essential to ensure that Partners in Caring remains an active and involved part of The Phoenix Center school experience.

Thanks to all of you for supporting Partners in Caring this year. Whether you made a donation, participated in a fundraiser or volunteered your time at one of our events, we are truly grateful to you. Please call us if you have any questions, ideas, comments or suggestions and we hope you have a great summer!

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