



EAST SIDE ELEMENTARY FOUNDATION



Huddle Up - We're Halfway Home!

This year's fundraising drive has reached the halfway point and we have already raised over \$20,000!! If you have not donated yet, please join the more than 170 families who have already supported the children of East Side.

We are so excited to have already exceeded last year's participation rate with over 20% of families supporting the school. However, we are still well below the 75-80% rates of other area schools like Sope Creek, Mt. Bethel and Tritt.

Please help us continue to make East Side a better place & remember...

... suggested donation is \$50 per child; however, we encourage you to donate more if you are able

... this year's fundraising focus is our new SCIENCE LAB

... donate online at

<http://www.eastsideelementary.com/Foundation/index.html>

or through your child's backpack

... donations are tax-deductible

... be sure to check if your employer matches your donation as we have already received \$3,000 in matching donations



Why do we need a Foundation when East Side will be building a new school through SPLOST III?

Today, the primary needs at the school are the science lab, the renewal of learning software licenses like BrainPop, and the classroom grant program which allows every East Side teacher to add needed items to their classrooms.

These programs are being utilized this year and cost approximately \$45,000.

Other needs considered over the next few years will be evaluated carefully to ensure that money spent is on items that "transfer" to the new school. The Foundation will continue to follow its mission statement of meeting needs not met by Cobb County or the PTA.

Past improvements like 6+1 Writing Program teacher training, technology and the playgrounds have enjoyed several years of use by East Side students. At this time, even our largest "permanent" improvement, the front playground, is anticipated to remain in place at the new school.

EVERY DONATION COUNTS!!

The class with the highest participation wins a field trip to the Georgia State Capitol for a VIP tour.

And **EVERY CHILD WINS!!**

Your donation will give your child a brighter future...they really do hold the whole world in their hands!



A Better School for a Brighter Future.



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