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Dear NPA Families,

Northland Preparatory Academy greatly appreciates your choice of our academic institution, and we are proud to partner with you in the education of your children. All NPA students are supported so that they strive to do their best academically and personally, and we always strive to provide the students the necessary tools for their growth and success. This year, we are focusing on students' social and emotional learning by investing in the Play & Fitness Stations program.

We all know that healthy bodies support healthy minds. With the Play & Fitness Stations program, students will have the opportunity to develop both physical and mental strength through an enriched outdoor environment. A student committee is providing input on the type of equipment that would interest them and their schoolmates. The equipment may include an affixed tetherball, permanent basketball hoop, balance beam, and climbing equipment. The project will also call for expanding our square footage of concrete pad area between the middle school building and Fourth Street.

Depending on the level of support shown, NPA hopes to have the first installation of equipment in place for the 2022-23 school year. Our vision is for the school to make improvements that will serve as the platform for the project, and the Fundraising & Grant Committee is seeking community support in the form of donations to purchase project equipment.

To help with the equipment purchase and installation, the Fundraising-Grant Committee is asking for both in-kind and monetary support.

If you or someone you may have connections to are interested in providing in-kind services (e.g., excavating, construction, assembly), please contact Superintendent Dave Lykins at <u>dlykins@northlandprep.org</u>. While the school is planning to commit capital funds, we are hopeful that some of you will be able to assist the project in ways that reduce or eliminate a few of these costs.

We anticipate that the equipment cost could range between \$20,000 and \$25,000. Whether it is \$20, \$50, \$100, \$250, or something more generous, we are hoping to have a strong majority of families support the project. If you are in the position to assist, you may follow the link to make a donation (<u>http://northlandprep.org/npa-play-fitness-stations-campaign-2022/</u>).

Your contribution to this campaign is eligible under the AZ Tax Credit program. The email receipt you will get from the donation portal can serve as your receipt for tax purposes. The greater the amount of support for the project, the greater the number of stations NPA can provide.

Your support for the fundraising drive also helps the Fundraising & Grant Committee in the grant writing process. Some foundations are more likely to provide grants to programs that have an active supporting community. Your participation in the fundraising efforts helps the Fundraising & Grant Committee demonstrate that we have a dedicated support network within our own parent community.

NPA appreciates your consideration and contribution. It is a win/win situation for our students, teachers, and you. Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

Jay Litwicki Principal

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