

Dear Leland Parent Community

August 2008

On behalf of the Leland High School Parent Club, I want to personally welcome the returning Leland Families and the incoming freshman families to the 2008/2009 school year. The Leland Parent Club's main goal is to raise funds so we can donate items and fund programs that are not covered by the school's annual budget. We have an executive committee that works closely with the Leland Principal, Administration and staff to help determine the school's needs. We wish to ask for your support to enable our organization to achieve the goals we have set for Leland High School this Academic 2008/2009 year by contributing to our "Membership Drive". It is only through your generous financial contribution and volunteer efforts that we are able to achieve our annual goals of helping make our children's scholastic experience at Leland High School the best one possible.

With the pending budget cuts throughout our state and district funds tightening, your tax deductible contribution is even more important. Your donation is much appreciated and goes towards covering the costs of many of Leland's critical programs and items; most importantly starting in the classroom with the majority of funds covering the Teacher Wish List and supplying Technology to the Classrooms. We also fund and provide volunteer support to programs, including but not limited to, Senior Recognition Awards, on-site counseling via Almaden Valley Counseling Services, Safe and Sober Grad Night, Bi-Annual Career Day, Charger Account Newspaper mailing logistics and costs, Senior Brunch, Every 15 Minutes Program to dramatically instill teenagers with the dangers of drinking and driving, and Teacher Appreciation events.

The Leland Blue and Gold Auction, Leland's largest annual fundraising event, has been historically co-sponsored by our Parent's Club along with the Booster Club. This year, we jointly decided to defer the Blue and Gold Auction due to rising costs of coordinating such a large fundraiser. This means that the Parent Club Membership Drive set for this Fall is absolutely critical to meeting our goal of raising \$50,000 to support the needs listed above. Leland has over 1800 students as part of normal enrollment; if 278 families donate at the \$180.00 level, we will achieve our goal. Please contribute at whatever level you feel comfortable and we will continue to improve upon what Leland has supported already through academic excellence and achievement through its 40+ year history.

A new Friends of Leland program has been initiated this year by having 4 different sponsorship support levels. Gain recognition in the Leland community by having your family name or business name included on a banner that will be hung in the ITC or school office at Leland. More details on the can be found on the enclosed Membership Drive form.

Once again, we want to thank you for your support and generous contribution and we look forward to seeing you as a volunteer where ever possible to help make these sponsored programs happen to enhance our children's overall experience at Leland High School.

Warmest regards,  
Tom Norton

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Thomas Norton", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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