LOCKELAND DESIGN CENTER PTO 2023-2024 ANNUAL REPORT



On behalf of the LDC PTO board, I would like to sincerely thank Lockeland's teachers, staff, and families for their tremendous ongoing support.

During the 2023-24 school year, our fundraising efforts have enabled us to retain our invaluable reading and math interventionist positions, as well as maintaining support for classroom resources, teacher appreciation initiatives, family events, and more. Under the leadership of David Green, we were able to offer our inaugural after school clubs program. From tending to our community garden to orchestrating classroom celebrations and stocking the teacher's lounge with treats, the dedication of parent volunteers has been exemplary. Family and community support is essential to the success of public schools, and we are deeply grateful for the support of our extraordinary Lockeland community.

I would like to wish our 4th and 5th grade families who are departing for middle school the very best. May their experiences at Lockeland instill in all of our children the virtues of empathy and courage as they continue on their journeys.

Thank you to the most hard working board for sharing your passion for our school and consistently giving your all.

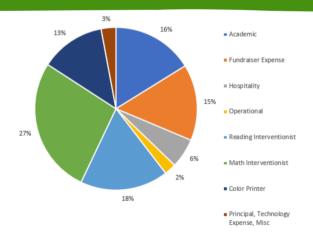
As our beloved principal heads on to her next chapter, I want to wholeheartedly thank her for her 14 years of incredible leadership at LDC. Her unparalleled work ethic and dedication to the success and well being of every single Lockeland student is truly admirable. Her love and commitment to our school have undoubtedly enriched us all, fostering a strong, compassionate community. Thank you always, Principal Lewis!

Have an amazing summer!

- Megan Manly, President

BUDGET

- Forecasted Revenue for the 2023-2024
 School year is approximately \$110,000. Our primary sources of funding include \$50k from the Invest LDC! campaign, \$26k of Community Investment, \$10k in Merchandise sales, and \$9k raised via Events.
- We project that the total Expenditures through May 31, 2024 will be approximately \$100,000.
- Anticipated year end cash balance is \$100,000 with \$60,000 in reserve savings.
- The budget for 2024-2025 was approved at our April 2024 General Board meeting.



 Each year we work closely with Principal Lewis and the Teaching Staff to identify needs and determine how the PTO can provide the most impactful support for our students and teachers. Key planned expenditures for next year include continued funding for both the Reading and Math Interventionists.

INDIVIDUAL FUNDRAISING REPORT

Thank you Lockeland families! This school year you raised more than \$55,000 to support students and staff!

Invest LDC! accounts for over half of the PTO's annual income. Thanks to your generosity we raised over **\$53,000** this year through the Invest program. Thank you to everyone who continues to give in support of our latest fundraising efforts.

Bike Rack Pavers were offered again as an opportunity for LDC families to buy a personalized, etched brick as a permanent fixture in our Lockeland bike rack. With 13 bricks sold, the paver sales are estimated to raise over **\$2500** for our school. This year's pavers will be etched and ready for viewing by the end of May.

Rewards Programs provided another contribution to our fundraising efforts. Thank you for your purchases at Kroger and Publix and for participating in the Box Tops Program. This is a great way to support the staff and students with little to no effort. This school year we have raised over **\$1600** through rewards programs just through March!

Thank you LDC families for all you do and for making this another amazing year!

Mandy Bauman, VP Fundraising, Individual Giving **Jessica Doyle**, Assistant VP Fundraising, Individual Giving









Community leaders are local businesses that sponsor the LDC PTO, and donations range from \$500-\$2500.

For the 2023-24 year, these donations totaled over **\$25,000** and included the following businesses. Thank you so very much to all of these sponsors in our community!



























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FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

The PTO was thrilled to host Family Movie Night this year.

Each year we love to end our fall fundraising campaign, InvestLDC!, with a Family Movie Night!. We handed out free popcorn, sold pizza by the slice, and enjoyed watching DreamWorks' *Madagascar* under the stars. Many thanks to our popcorn poppers, clean-up crew, and the LDC administration for giving us access to the school restrooms!

URBAN COMBOY SPRING SOCIAL

This spring, we had a magical evenings at **Urban Cowboy** for parents and teachers. All ticket sales and proceeds benefitted the PTO.



LDC COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER NIGHTS & EVENTS

We had so much amazing support from the business and parent community this year in a variety of ways, including our Community Leaders' donations, our **BoomBozz**, **Jeni's**, **Top Golf, Titans**, **Cherries**, **East Nashville Beer Works**, and **Rivergate Skate** Spirit Nights. Our community fundraising events earned over \$9,000 for our school.



BOOMBOZZ CRAFT PIZZA · TAPHOUSE









VOLUNTEER SHOUT-OUTS!

The main driving force behind LDC is our wonderful volunteers! The LDC administration and staff would like to extend many thanks to all of the volunteers who help make our school great! Parents have volunteered in a variety of ways this year:

Sent in snacks & Treasure Box items, Led stations at Field Day, Helped with class parties, Provided sweet treats for LDC staff & administration, Helped with Lockeland Live!, Participated in Fun Run & Running Club, Donated supplies for Class Projects, Helped students find library books & checkout, Planted & nurtured the school garden

LOCKELAND LIVE! WELCOME TO THE JUNGLE

Lockeland Live! Welcome to the Jungle was a success. Our kids impressed us with their talent and creativity, and kept us laughing along the way! Because of the amount of donations and volunteer hours, we raised **\$2900** for the PTO general fund, and an additional \$130 specifically for Invest! LDC.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped with the fantastic decorations, concessions, t-shirt design and sales, tech, and stage managing:

- Hosts Mr. Petrelli and Ms. Scott
- Principal Lewis and the teachers and staff who entertained us with their creativity and humor
- Our amazing and talented kids
- Ronée Swafford and community volunteer Justin Curtis for sound engineering and all things tech
- Stratford High School Principal, **Dr. Michael Pratt** and **Mr. Elijah Ammen**, English Teacher and auditorium liaison
- Claire DeRoberts and volunteers for the amazing set decorations and welcoming us to the jungle theme
- Denise Downs, the Downs family and Roy's Meat Service for donating concessions and coordinating the sales
- Rachel Karr for an amazing t-shirt design and graphics and Mandy Gillian for streamlining the t-shirt sales

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

This school year, we were able to more than double the number of after school enrichment opportunities for students at LDC by maintaining prior clubs and starting new clubs through partnerships with additional vendors. In addition to our long-standing Chess Club and Running Club, the 2023-2024 school year brought on the addition of Art Club, Science Club, and Ukulele Club.

Over the course of the school year, more than **80%** of our students (263 students) had the opportunity to participate in an after school club. We are truly grateful for the support of our teachers and staff, club vendors, and parent volunteers who helped make this year a success! We look forward to building on the success of this past year and hope to increase the number of after school enrichment opportunities for LDC students during the 2024-2025 school year.

2023-2024 LDC BOARD / 2024-2025 LDC BOARD SLATE

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