

LOCKELAND DESIGN CENTER PTO 2025-2026 ANNUAL REPORT

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I reflect on the 2025-2026 school year, I am incredibly grateful for all that our school community has accomplished together. There is something truly special about Lockeland and every day I am reminded that it is more than just a place of learning. It is a place where people feel supported, connected, and a part of something meaningful. With that in mind, on behalf of the PTO Board, I want to extend a sincere thank you to our administration, teachers, staff, families, and community partners for nurturing that spirit and making this year such a success.

The unwavering support of our families, local business partners, and a series of exciting fundraisers enabled us not only to meet our goals, but to exceed them. This year alone, we raised over \$152,000, building on the strong foundation of years past. These contributions directly supported our school by funding:

- **Specialist Position Salaries:** Both reading and math interventionists who enhance LDC's core curriculum and provide well-rounded learning opportunities.
- **Composting and Garden Programs:** The composting program that allows LDC to divert tons of waste from landfills and redirects food to families in need along with supplies and materials for the LDC community garden.
- **Classroom Supplies:** Basic learning materials, supplies, books, and educational games that enrich instruction and give our teachers tools to create dynamic learning environments.
- **School Support and Enrichment Programs:** Efforts that foster community, strengthen Lion Pride, and support student achievement.

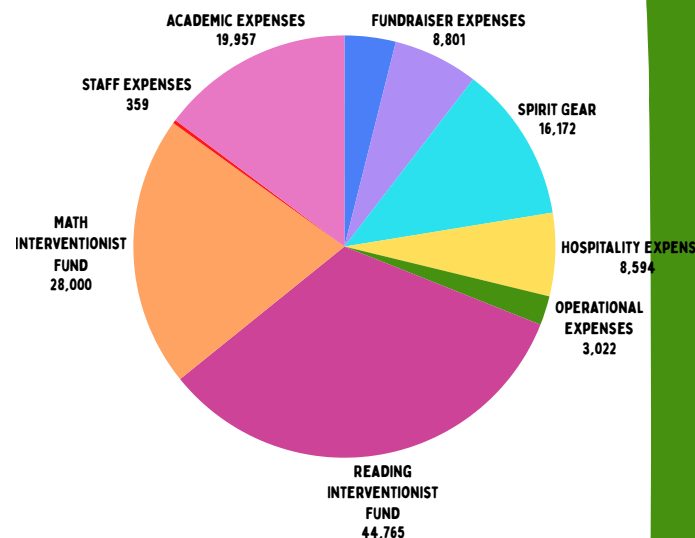
Thank you to the many parents, grandparents, and family members who have volunteered throughout the school year. You truly are the heart of the PTO. Whether you were supporting PTO initiatives, investing in LDC students and classrooms, organizing events, or caring for our school through our garden and sustainability efforts, your dedication is what makes our school feel like a community. Finally, I want to recognize this year's PTO Board. Your commitment and tireless work have been inspiring. I am deeply grateful to each of you for your individual dedication and for the way you have stepped up to serve our school community

With gratitude and Lion Pride,
- **David Green**, President

BUDGET

We collaborate closely with Dr. Hunt and the teaching staff to align our spending with student and teacher needs. A key priority is ongoing support for both Reading and Math Interventionists, ensuring impactful, direct academic support for our students.

- **Forecasted Revenue** for the 2025-2026 School year is approximately **\$152,000**. Our primary sources of funding include **\$70,000** from the Invest LDC! Campaign, **\$35,000** raised through events, **\$27,000** in Community Investments, **\$18,000** from merchandise sales, and **\$2,000** from administrative fees.
- We project that **total expenditures** through May 31, 2026 will be approximately **\$140,000**. The largest expenditures include **Reading and Math Interventionists**.
- We anticipate ending the year with a cash balance of approximately **\$70,000** with an additional **\$90,000** in reserve savings.
- The budget for 2026-2027 was formally approved at our May 2026 General Board meeting.



FUNDRAISING REPORT

Thank You, Lockeland Families! This school year, Invest LDC raised over **\$70,000** in support of our students and staff!

Invest LDC! is our annual fundraising campaign driven by the support of individual families and friends of the Lockeland PTO. This year, we focused on increasing participation across our entire school community—and we're thrilled to share that more than half of our families joined the effort! These funds play a vital role in ensuring we can continue to enhance the educational experience at LDC in the year ahead.

Fundraising efforts for Invest LDC! include online donations through the PTO website and our annual **Bike Pavers Sale**.

We are so grateful to every family who participated and to those who continue to support our mission. Thank you for making this another incredible year at Lockeland!

Kali Huff, VP Fundraising, Individual Giving

Alycia Young, Assistant VP Fundraising, Individual Giving

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COMMUNITY LEADERS

For the 2025-2026 year, Community Leaders donations totaled over **\$27,000** and included the following businesses.

Thank you so very much to all of these sponsors in our community!



FAMILY EVENTS



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

On May 13th, we hosted our second-annual **Grandfriend Day**. We were thrilled to welcome an even larger crowd than last year, and it is wonderful to see this new tradition continue to grow and flourish within our school community. Thank you to everyone who made these moments possible!



LDC COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER NIGHTS & EVENTS

We had record-breaking support from the business and parent communities this year, including Community Leaders' donations, and fundraisers at **Jeni's, Nashville Soccer Club, Titans, Rivergate Skate, and Woodland Play Cafe**. Thank you to **Cherries, Love & Exile, and Urban Cowboy** for hosting fundraising nights. Our community fundraising events earned over **\$23,000** for our school.



VOLUNTEER SHOUT OUTS

The main driving force behind our school is our wonderful volunteers! The administration, faculty, and staff would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who helps make our school great. Whether you had a few hours to spare on campus or sent in items from home, every contribution has made our school community stronger. This year, parents, grandparents, and family members have stepped up in a variety of ways to support our students and staff, including:

Sending in snacks & treasure box items, leading stations at Field Day, helping with class parties, providing sweet treats for LDC staff and administration, helping with Lockeland Live!, participating in Running Club, donating supplies for class projects, helping students find library books and checkout, planting and nurturing the school garden, and making the school community stronger.

LOCKELAND LIVE!

Lockeland Live! We Grow Together was an incredible success!!! It was an evening that truly captured the spirit of our school community. Our students took the stage with confidence and creativity, impressing us all! Beyond the performances, the event brought our community together in a meaningful way. Families, teachers, and volunteers collaborated to create a joyful, welcoming atmosphere that reflected the heart of Lockeland.

Thanks to the generosity of our community and the dedication of so many volunteers, we raised **\$7,727** for the PTO general fund. It was a fantastic result that will directly support our students and school programs. We are deeply grateful to the many volunteers who made the evening possible, contributing their time and talents to decorations, concessions, t-shirt design, tech, and stage management. Lockeland Live continues to be a shining example of what we can accomplish together.

Hosts - Dr. Colin Hunt and Mr. Dave Petrelli

Fifth Grade Hosts - Naomi Becker, Easton Brackeen, Declan Gillian, Emerson Sherer

Chairs - Rachel Mitchell and Jenny Luckett

Decorations - Alycia Young

Committee - Kelley Frances Fenelon, Zoe Jamail, Jaime Drown, Amy Taylor, Carter Taylor, and Ryan Taylor

Graphic Designer - Michael Lapinski

Sound Engineers - Bear Mitchell and Cooper Thompson

Concessions - Denise Downs, ENA SC

Communications - Heidi Trow McGhee

T-shirt Coordinator - Mandy Gillian

Show Writer - Kaci Scott Bolls and Dave Petrelli

Flower Artists - Mara Drimmer and Kali Huff

Stratford High School - Mr. Elijah Ammen and Donna Bailey

Lockeland Springs Church - Shelby Brown

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

What a fun year for after-school clubs at LDC! We expanded our club offerings this year to include Choir Club, Ceramics Club and Dance Club. We also continued to host our crowd favorites: Running Club, Art Club, Science Club, Chess Club, Aikido Club, Nature Club, and Yoga Club.

As we gear up for the 2026-2027 school year, we're excited to broaden our club choices even more. Students can look forward to exploring Theater and Sports, among other new interests. We are so grateful for the support of our teachers and staff, club vendors, and parent volunteers who helped make this year such a success!

2025-2026 LDC BOARD / 2026-2027 LDC BOARD SLATE

President: David Green (25) / Gretchen Selcke (26)

President Elect: Gretchen Selcke (25) / Kali Huff (26)

Secretary: Jaime Drown (25) / Jaime Drown (26)

Treasurer: Emily Crawford & Derek Harper (25) / Derek Harper (26)

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Vice President of Communications: Heidi Trow McGhee (25) / Heidi Trow McGhee (26)

Vice President of Membership: Mandy Bauman (25) / Mandy Bauman (26)

Assistant Vice President of Membership: Julie Jenkins (26)

Vice President of Individual Giving: Kali Huff (25)

Assistant Vice President of Individual Giving: Alycia Young (25)

Vice President of Individual and Community Fundraising: Kristin Desper (26)

Assistant Vice President of Individual and Community Fundraising: Jud Stephenson (26)

Vice Presidents of Community Fundraising: Devin Kindt Hawley & Mara Drimmer (25)

Vice Presidents of Family and Community Events: Devin Kindt Hawley & Mara Drimmer (26)

Assistant Vice Presidents of Family and Community Events: Alycia Young & Tara Layne Goebel (26)

Vice President of Grade Levels: Alli Barns (25) / Alli Barns (26)

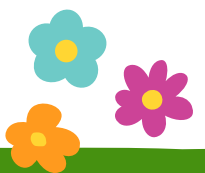
Vice President of Family Events: Julie Jenkins (25)

Vice Presidents of Student Engagement: Jenny Luckett & Rachel Mitchell (25) / Jenny Luckett & Rachel Mitchell (26)

Clubs Coordinator: Adria Rich (25) / Adria Rich (26)

Merchandise Coordinator: Mandy Gillian (25) / Mandy Gillian (26)

Past President: Lauren Wade Walsh (25) / David Green (26)



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- Subscribe to the LDC PTO Newsletter at LockelandPTO.org
- If you are interested in serving on a future board, please fill out our contact form on LockelandPTO.org

