

Dear Grant Parents and Friends,

The new school year has just begun and as usual this means back-to-school shopping, homework, bedtime enforcement and of course.... the kick-off to the **Grant Foundation's 2016-2017 Imagine Campaign**.

While our kids' potential to learn is limitless, unfortunately our school district's budget is not. The San Diego Unified School District's (SDUSD) projected budget deficit is estimated to be 72.2 million dollars this year. Our school budget has not been and will not be funded at the level it should be to include the fundamental programs we expect from Grant; such as science, technology, engineering, art, and music. Many of us chose to come to Grant because of its strong academic record, its reputation for funding special programs and above all its excellent teachers. Fortunately, students at Grant benefit from an incredibly generous and supportive school community!

We are asking every family to give what they can. Grant's Annual Giving Fund Drive is the Imagine Campaign. The Imagine Campaign just completed its fourth year and raised close to \$60,000 thanks to generous families like yours. This money will be used to pay for S.T.E.A.M. focused programs (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math). Specifically, the Imagine Campaign will fund the science coordinator's position, contribute to the art program, and will sponsor the Science Olympiad, Science Fair, Science Family Night, and the Gecko Garden. This past year the science coordinator, Elena Banks, helped bring science to almost all of Grant's students. She has also championed the Gecko Garden; extending its use as a living classroom to growing SDUSD certified produce, which means the garden produce can now be harvested for Grant's salad bar.

We need you to be part of our success this year. Please consider giving if you are new to Grant or have not participated in our Imagine Campaign in the past. If you have contributed in the past, please consider increasing your contribution to help maintain the high standards and academic excellence Grant has come to enjoy today. There is no better investment than money spent on your child's education. It's simple.....the more money we raise for Grant the more benefits and successes our kids will have.

Please make your child's education a priority by donating today. We can maximize our ability to fund programs for the well-rounded education of our children. Your donations and involvement are greatly appreciated and are what make Grant the great school that it is. Thank you for being part of the Grant School Community!

That you give is just as important as what you give.
Gifts of every size add up big for our kids!

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**** SIMPLIFY YOUR LIFE****

This year we introduce “SuperGecko” - a new level of giving for those families who are able to contribute this amount. Write one check for this level or any of our other donation levels. Your one time contribution includes participation in several of this year’s major fundraising events and more. As always, your generosity is appreciated!

SuperGecko Package (All-In)

With this new \$2,000 level of giving for families able to contribute, you will receive everything in the Visionary Package AND...

- Two Tickets to the Mission Hills Wine Tasting event - \$100 value +
- 4 Full Registration Packages for the Mission Hills 5K

Visionary Package

With an upfront donation of \$1,000 to the Imagine Campaign, your family will receive items and credits for the major school events throughout the year. Here is what you will receive for your \$1,000 donation:

- Annual Giving Donation that is tax deductible
- Wine & Art Soiree
- Yearbook
- Exclusive Grant Logo Wear - \$30 value
- Grant Magnet

Coach Package

With an upfront donation of \$600 to the Imagine Campaign, your family will receive items and credits for many school events throughout the year. Here is what you will receive for your \$600 donation:

- Annual Giving Donation that is tax deductible
- Yearbook
- Exclusive Grant Logo Wear - \$30 value
- Grant Magnet

Mentor Package

With a donation of \$300 to the Imagine Campaign, your family will receive:

- Annual Giving Donation that is tax deductible
- Exclusive Grant Logo Wear - \$30 value
- Grant Magnet

Guide Package

With a donation of \$100 to the Imagine Campaign, your family will receive:

- Annual Giving Donation that is tax deductible
- Exclusive Grant Logo Wear - \$30 value

