Monroe Elementary PTA
5th Grade Camp
10901 27th Ave SE
Everett, WA 98208
EIN: 91-1130788

I hope this message finds you well and thriving in your mission to serve and uplift our community. I am reaching out on behalf of Monroe Elementary School PTA ("Monroe PTA"), a 501c3 not for profit PTA affiliated under the WA State PTA and supporting Monroe Elementary School, an Everett School District public elementary school committed to providing meaningful educational experiences to our students, most of whom come from low-income families.

Each year, most elementary schools in our district offer an overnight outdoor education program. Due to significant financial barriers our students have not had the opportunity to participate in this program in over a decade. The Monroe PTA is hoping to be able to offer our 5th grade class the opportunity to have a transformative overnight camp experience and to make this an annual tradition. Our intent with hosting an overnight outdoor camp is to build confidence, foster teamwork, and ignite a love for the natural world. This camp is not just a field trip; for many of our students, it's their first time away from home, their first night under the stars, and their first opportunity to connect classroom learning with real-world adventure.

Unfortunately, the financial barriers facing many of our families make it difficult for every child to attend. We are attempting to raise $20,500 to support this program. Due to funding cuts there are no longer state dollars available to support outdoor education, including overnight camp. We believe that every student deserves these formative experiences, regardless of their background or means. That's why we are seeking the generous support of community partners, like you!

Your donation will help cover transportation, meals, lodging, and program costs. With your help, we can ensure that every 5th grader has the chance to participate fully in this life-changing camp, creating memories and gaining skills that will last a lifetime.

We would be grateful for any contribution you are able to make, and we welcome the opportunity to acknowledge your support within our school community and camp materials. Please feel free to contact me directly with or any questions you may have. Enclosed with this letter is our IRS 501c3 for your records; donations made to Monroe PTA are tax deductible, as permitted by law.

Thank you for considering our request and for your ongoing commitment to supporting local youth. Together, we can open doors to discovery, growth, and friendship for all our students.

With gratitude,

Nicole VanderPloeg

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Donation Form:

☐ **In-Kind Donation – Donation of Goods or Property**

Monroe PTA will be holding raffle/auction with proceeds going towards 5th Grade Camp and are looking for community donations of items to include in baskets.

Please select your date preference:

- ☐ Friday, December 5th; requesting donations no later than October 17th
- ☐ Friday, March 27th; requesting donations no later than November 25th

Full description of donated goods or property:

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Value of Donation: $_____

☐ **Contribution of Cash** Donation Amount: $_____

- ☐ Cash
- ☐ Check – payable to Monroe PTA
- ☐ Gift Card

Thank you for your consideration! Monroe Elementary PTA is a 501c3 organization, and your contribution is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. A receipt will be provided to you for your records.

Donations can be mailed or dropped off at Monroe Elementary School (address below). To arrange for pick-up, please reach out to Nicole VanderPloeg (contact information below).

Should you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact:

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