



Dear Parents,

The Alderwood Jog-A-Thon, our most exciting fundraiser, is fast approaching! On Wednesday, March 7th, our students will run laps at the "Owlympics" to raise money for our school.

Did you know that California is the 4th least funded state in the country and that IUSD is the least funded district in the state?

The donations raised through the Jog-A-Thon are used to support important components of our education programs, including art, science, technology and library services. The proceeds from Jog-A-Thon fill a gap left by budget cuts and allow our teachers and staff to maintain the academic standard of excellence you have come to expect.



Our 2018 goal is to raise \$65,000!

The proceeds from our Owlympics event will allow our PTA to continue provide funding for off-site field trips, the creation of our new Collaboration Space where kids can congregate to work on group projects, on-site enrichment programs in areas of creative writing, science and social studies, and so much more!

This year we are using an online platform via Accelraise to facilitate our fundraising. We selected Accelraise specifically because their service fee is minimal compared to other companies providing similar services (5% of total funds raised capped at \$3,500, plus a nominal fee for credit card donations), meaning more than 90% of funds raised directly benefit our students.

Through this platform, each student will have his or her own customizable homepage. A link to this page can be sent via email directly to family members and friends who can use the online platform to make an immediate flat donation or indicate their intent to make a per-lap pledge. It is our goal that this web-based platform will make the process easier and more efficient for our families, donors and volunteers.

Please follow the link below to register your student(s) in the online system.

<https://alderwood.accelraising.com/>

As in years past, every student will be provided a T-shirt for free. However your donation of **\$7 (per student)** is appreciated.

In order to volunteer at the event please go to the PTA homepage at alderwoodpta.com and click on the Sign-Up Genius link provided.

If instead, you choose to make a donation via check or cash, please fill out the form below, attach your donation and drop off at the front office or with your student's teacher.

Thank you for your time and attention! Please let us know if you have any questions.

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Please cut here and submit to your child's teacher or the front office with your donation attached.

Student's Name

Teacher's Name

Donation Amount

Parent's Name

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