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Dear friend of Pleasant Ridge Montessori,

Ten years ago, the vision of a small group of people came to fruition as we opened the doors of our new building. Throughout these years this small group of people has grown in number and passion. Our community continually strives to support the vision of our neighborhood school: to offer every neighborhood child a quality Montessori education, in a peaceful and environmentally conscious setting that nurtures a love of learning. The efforts of teachers, staff, and volunteers are making an instrumental impact in the education of your children, our students.



While we celebrate the ten-year anniversary of our school and see tangible effects of this effort in consistent improvement on the state report card for the third consecutive year, we know that our vision for our school does not end with test scores. We know that the education of the whole child to achieve their full potential requires support and resources that extend far beyond one assessment.

That is why the PRM Foundation is currently focusing on “Mindfulness and Trauma Informed Care” and the rebuilding of the Playscape behind the playground. We want to support the teachers and staff through the implementation and training required to provide this much needed service for our students and staff, while ensuring that they can explore and learn in the outdoors safely. With money raised through our Annual Campaign, we can:

- Provide Mindfulness & Trauma Informed Care training and resources through Children’s Home.
- Create a safe area where the land fell behind the basketball hoops in the Spring of 2018. This will include regrading and stabilizing the land.
- Update the area where the pergola and boulders currently sit and add more shading so that classrooms can use the area frequently.
- Create a plan with all outdoor interested parties to build a wonderful playscape and possibly another classroom area beyond the bird watch station.
- Continue to support a variety of programs and scholarships currently being funded by the PRM Foundation and PTO budgets including updating learning tools, tutoring, extracurricular opportunities, field trips, incentives, and so much more.



Thank you to all who give your time, energy, and your financial support to PRM. Together we are creating the rich and supportive environment to realize the full potential of every child in our community. Every dollar you give to the Annual Campaign moves our school forward. We can’t do it without you!

One-time contributions or recurring monthly donations can be made at www.prmrocks.org/give/donate

Thank you for your continued support,

Emma Massie
Pleasant Ridge School Foundation President