

SOUTH CAROLINA PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION



RE: The SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund

Dear PTA Leaders:

The SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund Board of Trustees welcomes you to a new school year. Many of you have already begun planning the coming year's programs and projects for your PTA. Please remember the SCPTA offers you and your PTA many opportunities and resources to do more for children.

Since its creation in 1980, SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund has provided thousands of dollars in competitive grants to PTAs across the state. The SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund was created for the purpose of funding worthwhile programs. These programs are developed by local units and relate to the goals and objectives of PTA. Any local PTA unit in good standing may apply for a grant.

Local unit contributions have been the major source of funding for the SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund. Please invest in the future of SCPTA and its work on behalf of children.

Thank you for all you do for children through PTA.

Best Wishes,

The SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund Board of Trustees

SCPTA GERRY PFAEHLER ENDOWMENT FUND

What is the SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund Grant Program?

Thanks to the generous support of contributors, the SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund is now able to provide a limited number of grants to local PTA/PTSA units for use in innovative projects or programs. The Endowment Fund is supported solely through the donations of individuals, local PTA/PTSA units, and businesses. The Endowment Fund Contribution form is included.

Who is eligible to receive an SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund Grant?

All local PTA/PTSA units in good standing may apply for an Endowment Fund.

What are the guidelines for applying?

A grant application must be filled out in its entirety. Grant applications will be reviewed and evaluated by the SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund Committee. The project or program described in the application must relate to the goals and objectives of PTA. The funding for a grant may be up to \$500 per project.

When is the application deadline?

All applications must be submitted by March 1.

Where do I mail our SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund Grant application?

Grant applications should be sent to Kitty Waikart, Endowment Fund Chairman, 442 Crockett Road, Columbia, SC 29212

Is there any follow-up or evaluation of our project or program?

At the completion of the project or program, each local unit that received an Endowment Fund Grant will receive an SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund Evaluation form. Valid receipts and invoices must be attached to the completed evaluation form.

Where do I get more information about the Endowment Fund and its Grants?

Pamphlets are available at South Carolina PTA conferences and conventions, or by calling Kitty Waikart, SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund Chairman at (803) 781-1687 or the South Carolina PTA Office at (800) 743-3782.

Contributions

Local PTA/PTSA units responded in a most positive way with contributions to SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund last year. We are looking forward to this being the best year ever for the SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund. With your help, many grants will be available in coming years for projects in individual PTA units. Each local PTA/PTSA unit is encouraged to budget an annual contribution. A contribution to the SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund gives you an extra point on the Goals Sheet. Each contribution will be recognized by the SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund (\$1 to \$49 - Thank You note / \$50 to \$99 - Small Plaque / \$100+ - Large Plaque). Plaques will be presented at Convention in 2015.

For more information please contact Kitty Waikart, SCPTA Gerry Pfaehler Endowment Fund Chairman, at kwaikart@gmail.com