



Hello Business Members of our Community!

We are *Hablemos*, the nonprofit Parent Teacher Organization at Gardner Academy elementary school located near you in north Willow Glen. Our multicultural school serves 400 students in a predominantly low-income community. Almost seventy percent of our students are English language learners, and we are proud that two-thirds of our students learn within a Two Way Bilingual Immersion program so they can speak, read and write both Spanish and English.

We are writing to ask your support for our school and the children in our community at our annual Walkathon and Silent Auction on May 4, 2019. The Walkathon is our major fundraiser of the year, and allows us to fund activities that enhance our students' educational and cultural opportunities, like family nights, field trips, and fifth graders' Science Camp. Our funding focus this year is our Little Heroes program that brings a coach to organize inclusive play at recess, help students build mentoring and leadership skills, and reduces playground conflicts. We need the support of our local community to grow these programs.

There are many different ways for you to show your support.

- **\$600 - "Booth Sponsor"** - Sponsor your own booth at our all-day Walkathon event, plus advertising in our silent auction brochure.
- **\$500/400 - "Walkathon T-shirt Sponsorship"** - Your business logo is featured on our Walk-a-thon T-shirts for students, teachers and staff. The T-shirt is featured on the day of the Walkathon, but also becomes a uniform shirt that students and parents will continue to wear throughout the school years. The logo is also featured in our silent auction brochure that goes home to every student family in the community. \$500 is a large logo, \$400 is a small logo.
- **\$200 - "Auction Sponsorship"** - Your business is featured in a half page ad in our silent auction brochure
- **In-kind donation** - Any product or gift card for our Silent Auction - Your item and business are featured in our silent auction brochure

All donations are tax deductible, and even small donations can help make our Walkathon and Silent Auction a big success. Please make checks payable to "Hablemos Supporters of Gardner Academy". Our Tax ID number is **43-1997374**. Through the generosity of businesses like yours, we can provide our students with educational experiences for a brighter future.

Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to drop by our event on Saturday, May 4 for family games and good food!

Sincerely,

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