

Dear Montessori House Community Parents,

As officers of the PAV, our purpose is to enhance our community – to enrich lives, build relationships and support the MEFI Mission. We hope you're able to attend many of the upcoming events we have planned for the entire family this year and we are excited to announce our 'MEFI Mission' for the year!

WHAT IS MEFI?

Founded in 2012, the Montessori Education Fund, Inc. (MEFI), is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit corporation.

WHAT IS MEFI'S PURPOSE?

The MEFI is committed to the continual learning and improvement of Students, Staff and Community.

WHY SHOULD I CONTRIBUTE?

- You benefit by having access to professional guest speakers to aid you in the day-to-day challenges of parenting.
- Your child benefits from having well-trained, professional, capable, and certified guides.
- We benefit from involvement with charitable organizations, growing compassion throughout our community.

HOW ARE MEFI CONTRIBUTIONS USED?

Last year, contributions totaled \$8,651.75 was allocated as follows:

\$5,000	Tuition Assistance
\$1,500	Community Outreach
\$1,500	Slush Fund

This year's goal is \$10,000. With this, the MEFI goals are:

Students:	Add a Babel Drum to each outdoor environment, Toddler, EC & Elementary
Staff:	Supplement professional development (assist with additional expenses associated with out-of-town conferences). This year's AMS National Conference is in Dallas, TX., March 2020.
Community:	Support <i>Child Advocates of Fort Bend</i> (providing books, toiletries and donations of time) Support Student Tuition Assistance (for parents experiencing temporary financial set-back) Support Parent Education (guest speakers on family/parenting related topics)

HOW CAN I CONTRIBUTE?

The MEFI gratefully accepts contributions of time, talent & donations through a direct donation or participation in our events this year:

MEFI Contribution	Click Here to Donate Now https://secure.ggiv.com/for/mac2 100% goes directly to MEFI
Artwork Keepsakes	Child's artwork on personalized products (great for gift season)
Mom's Night Out	Express Yourself! (An evening of painting, wine & friends)
Legacy Wall	Child's artwork permanently displayed as part of the "Legacy Wall"

Other Ways You Can Support the MEFI:

- Volunteer your time & talent to the classroom and/or PAV events.
- Utilize Company Donor-Matching Programs

If you have any questions, please contact Norma at 281-239-3400, or by email at norma@mhfcschool.com

Sincerely yours,
Parent Association of Volunteers