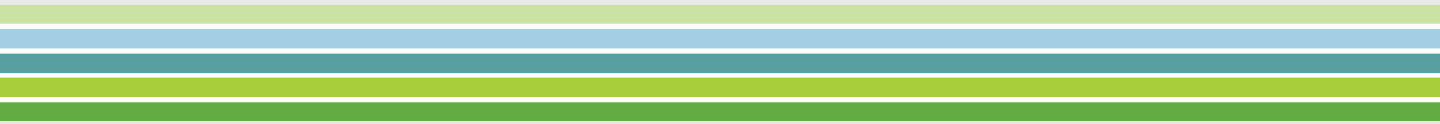




GRAND VIEW PTA GATOR FUND 2020-2021

**EDUCATION
IS THE
GREATEST
GIFT WE CAN
GIVE OUR
CHILDREN.**



THE GATOR GOOD

For more than eighty years, Grand View Elementary has laid the foundation for children to begin a lifetime love of learning. It's a special place - a vibrant community of engaged students, teachers, families and staff working together to provide the best education for each and every child. At Grand View, each student's experience is guided by these core values: *Grateful - Respectful - Engaged - Aware - Trusted and Kind.*

These principles shape our educational philosophy and make our Gators *great*. Grand View students learn to be global citizens who collaborate with others, think creatively and work efficiently. Above all else, they are expected to always try their best, and when they fail – to try again. Dedicated and talented teachers work closely with our children to cultivate their own ideas and help each student find their own personal voice. These precious years are a golden opportunity to help instill a sense of self and confidence for a lifetime to come.

Academic vitality depends on financial health. In the past decade, despite the inadequate level of California state funding, Manhattan Beach schools have flourished because of the generous support of our families. Without this continued support, Grand View cannot sustain its academic programs, faculty and facilities.

Every year we ask all of our families and friends to support the school with 100% tax-deductible contributions to both the Parent Teacher Association and Manhattan Beach Education Foundation. These organizations work hand-in-hand to afford our students the programs and opportunities they need to be prepared and successful in 21st century learning. Last year, the Grand View PTA raised \$220,000 for our school, augmented by MBEF's record \$7.5 million donation to the district. Our gratitude to the families and community partners who made this possible cannot be overstated.

This year, as you consider making your gifts, consider the value. Donations at the suggested PTA and MBEF levels allows us to keep class sizes manageable, retain valuable teachers and reinstate key programs like Science Lab, Art, Music, P.E. and Maker Space. For a small fraction of the cost of a private school tuition, our children will reap the benefits of a world-class public school education.

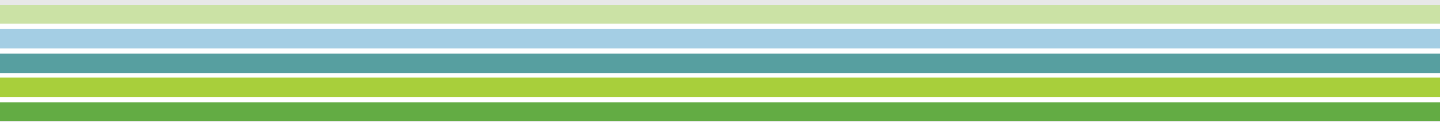
Further, MBUSD continues to distinguish itself as one of the top performing school districts in the nation. Our public schools are a driving reason Manhattan Beach is consistently named the #1 most desirable city in the country.* Supporting our schools is an investment in both our children and community.

We are proud to stand with you in this endeavor – it takes a village to raise good people. Despite this unsettling time in the world, we are secure in the knowledge that our Parent/Teacher/Community partnership is deeply rooted in commitment to excellence in education, and that our village is strong. We are ready to meet the challenges of the coming months and look forward to another terrific school year, back together soon on our newly renovated Grand View campus.

Thank you. Go Gators!

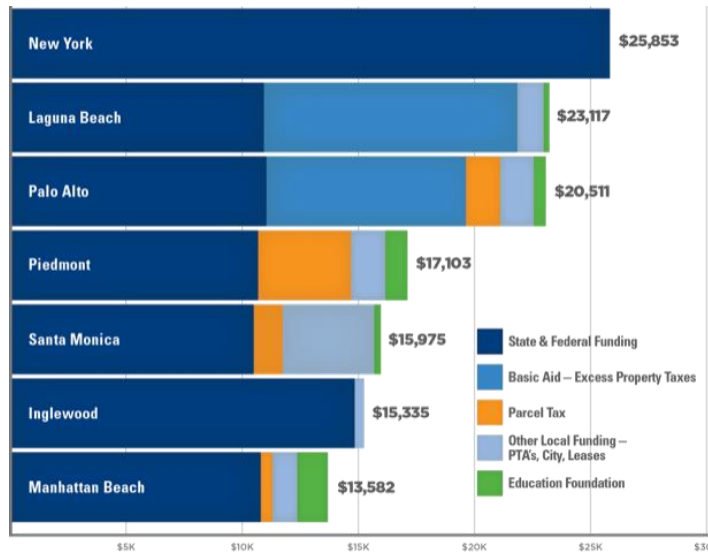
* *USA Today, January*

BRIDGING THE GAP



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MBUSD SCHOOL FUNDING



MBUSD is one of top performing school districts in California and one of the lowest funded districts in the nation.

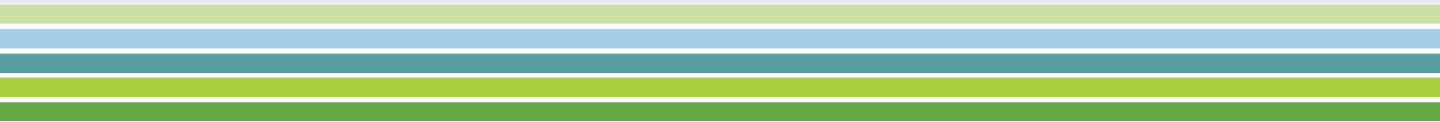
California funding for education ranks among the lowest in the country. Whereas other states allocate as much as \$25,000 per pupil, Manhattan Beach schools receive only \$10,000.

There is also a natural assumption that property taxes offset the costs of education, but because of laws passed in the seventies Manhattan Beach is classified as a Revenue Limit District. Our schools receive only 20% of local property taxes, as compared to other areas like Beverly Hills, Laguna Beach and Palo Alto which retain 80% of their property taxes for education.

In recent years, a steady combination of mounting operational costs and declining state funding has pushed our district's limited budget to the breaking point. As a result, the district has been forced to spend down reserves to offset these sustained deficits and avoid mass teacher layoffs, increased class sizes and the elimination of essential educational programs. Those reserves are now close to falling below the minimum level required by the state.

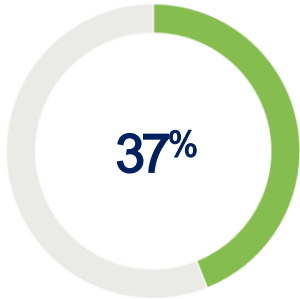
Current state funding levels are not enough to sustain district operations. The future health and stability of Manhattan Beach schools are at risk without the support of our local community to bridge the gap.

FUNDING PRIORITIES



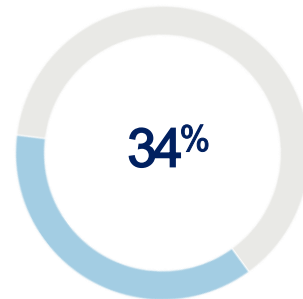
PTA FUNDING PRIORITIES

2020-21 Essential Programming & Operational Expenses



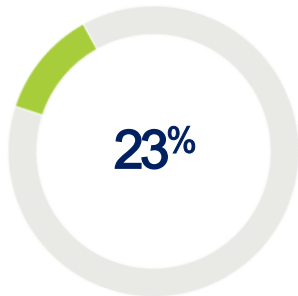
Technology: \$62,450

- Chromebooks
- iPads
- Laptops
- Smart Boards & Projectors
- Scheduled equipment upgrades
- Software licenses & Subscriptions



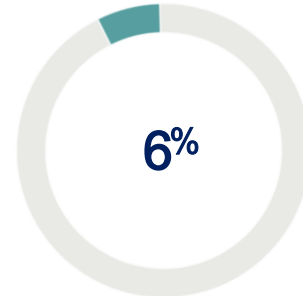
Curriculum & Enrichment: \$56,200

- Enrichment & Experiential Learning
- Social Emotional Wellness programs
- Teacher professional development
- Character Development
- Community Service & Field Trips
- Student Council & Yearbooks



Supplies & General Operations: \$37,950

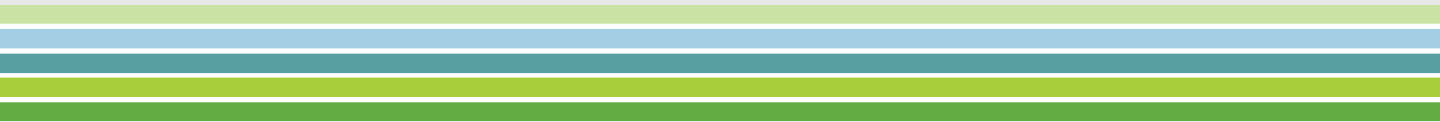
- Classroom / Virtual Learning Supplies
- Textbooks & Learning materials
- Library books & Reading resources
- Writing resources
- Office supplies
- Student Safety



Covid & Transition Costs: \$10,000

- PPE equipment
- Campus re-opening costs
- Cleaning supplies
- Hybrid-learning transition costs

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS



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2020-21 PTA Funded Activities & Grade Level Program Support

YOUNG AT ART

**SOCIAL &
EMOTIONAL
WELLNESS**

**SCIENCE LAB
EQUIPMENT**

STEAM EXPO

**STUDENT COUNCIL
&
PUBLIC SPEAKING**

GROWING GREAT

**P.E. EQUIPMENT,
RUN CLUB &
BRIT WEST**

**FAMILY MOVIE
NIGHT**

**COMMUNITY
SERVICE**

**LIBRARY BOOKS
& SUPPLIES**

FIELD TRIPS

**SPIRIT ASSEMBLIES
& YEARBOOK**

**MUSIC, DANCE
& POETRY**

**GENIUS HOUR
&
BIRTHDAY CLUB
(NEW!)**

**CAREER DAY
(NEW!)**

**INVEST IN
EDUCATION**

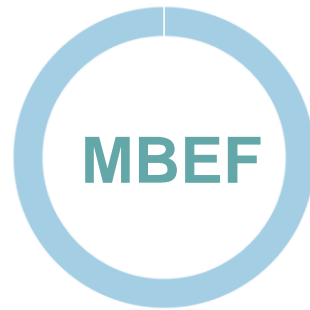


INVEST IN EDUCATION

PTA x MBEF



X



**ENRICHMENT,
EXPERIENCES & EQUIPMENT**
\$400 / STUDENT

**PEOPLE &
PROGRAMS**
\$2,000 / STUDENT

**Elementary school lays the foundation for a lifetime love of learning.
Give that gift to your child by investing in their education.**

The Grand View PTA works hand-in-hand with MBEF to supplement the financial needs of operating our school and enriching each student's experience. With your generous support, our schools will remain strong and our students will continue to thrive.

PTA GATOR FUND= Enrichment, Experiences & Equipment

Suggested donation: \$400 per student

- ✓ Technology and school equipment; classroom, grade level and office supplies
- ✓ Special experiences, clubs, field trips and grade level enrichments
- ✓ Covid transition supplies

MBEF = People & Programs

Suggested donation: \$2,000 per student

- ✓ Teacher salaries, counselors and specialists
- ✓ Class size reduction (MBEF annual grant reduces class sizes in grades 4th -12th by an average of 5 students per class)
- ✓ K-12 District programs including Art, Music, Science Lab, P.E., Library & Maker Space
- ✓ Distance Learning Support

**Help support our school
with a 100% tax deductible contribution today.**

GIVE 100%

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SUPPORT GRAND VIEW

PTA GATOR FUND

GIVE 100%

100% PARTICIPATION | 100% TAX DEDUCTIBLE | 100% FOR GRAND VIEW 2020/21

Join the Grand View community in supporting our school with tax deductible contributions to the PTA Gator Fund and MBEF Annual Appeal. All PTA funds raised go directly to the immediate needs of our students and teachers for the 2020/21 school year. With your donations, you will receive:

Giving Gator: Contribution of any amount to PTA and/or MBEF

- Access to the GV 20/21 Online School Directory
- Annual PTA Membership
- Donor name in newsletter/website
- 20/21 GV Car Magnet

Grateful Gator: \$400 /student to PTA and \$2,000/student to MBEF

Contributions at the suggested levels or higher, you will receive all benefits listed above, plus:

- Special donor recognition in Gator Good Annual Report (500+ recipients)
- Go Gators! Yard Sign
- GV Gator Blue-light Blocking Glasses for each child (*first 100 families to donate*)

**We appreciate the generous support of our families
and welcome contributions of any amount.**

Every contribution helps keep our school strong and our students thriving.

To make a donation to the PTA Gator Fund, click below:

DONATE

Increase your gift to PTA and MBEF with the Matching Gift Program.

Find out if your company will match your donation today!

If paying by check, please make payable to Grand View PTA.

Grand View Elementary PTA / ID # 95-6204597 is exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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