

Houghton Elementary School PTO presents



April 22-28, 2021

Plans are underway for the Houghton-Portage Township Elementary School PTO to host a **Bids for Kids Online Auction** to fund school playground improvements. Due to Covid-19, for the second year in a row HES PTO is unable to host our main annual Spring Fling fundraiser. Funds raised from the **Bids for Kids Online Auction** will be used to spruce up the existing HES playground structures with repairs, paint, and stain.

PTO directly impacts students through the purchase of books, gym and classroom equipment, funding academic and arts programs, supporting field trips, and so much more. In past years, PTO has funded water bottle filling stations, a playground shed, active seating, and books for reading month. PTO is also responsible for running the annual Scholastic Book Fair and coordinating Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week.

The Bids for Kids Online Auction will run from **April 22-April 28, 2021. Online Bidding opens on Thursday, April 22 at 8am and will close on Wednesday, April 28 at 10pm.** There will be something for everyone! An American Girl Doll, interior or exterior auto detail job, and an autographed Detroit Redwings puck are just a few of the exciting items up for bid.

How can you help support PTO?

Local businesses and community members can support PTO's fundraising event in two possible ways. **All donating businesses and families will be recognized online during the event, in the May monthly school newsletter, on the PTO Bulletin Board, and on the PTO Facebook page.**

Donate to the Online Auction: Donate an item, service, gift basket, coupons, gift certificates, or redeemable vouchers. This is a great way to promote your business!

Sponsor IMPROVEMENTS! Your Monetary Sponsorship will help reduce our playground refurbishment expenses and make this a successful fundraiser.

Please submit donations no later than April 20 to ensure proper recognition. Sponsorship checks may be written to Houghton Elementary PTO.

Item Donations and sponsorships may be dropped off or mailed directly to the school:
Houghton Elementary PTO Online Auction, 203 West Jacker Avenue, Houghton MI 49931

We look forward to when PTO can once again host in-person fundraisers. In the meantime, know that we greatly appreciate your generosity during these uncertain times.

To schedule a donation pick up or for any questions regarding donations, sponsorship, or the event, please contact Event Chair Nancy Verive (812) 573-1403 / nn_verive@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your support of HES PTO and students in our community!

Please include this form with your donation no later than April 20.

Please make checks payable to: Houghton Elementary School PTO and indicate "PLAYGROUND DONATION" in the memo area.

Donations are tax-deductible. HES PTO EIN # 38-2193110

Business, Family Name, or Organization as you wish it to be recognized *:

Contact Name/Phone: _____

*** You may also choose to remain anonymous.**

Here is how we would like to support the PTO Bids for Kids fundraiser:

[] Online Auction Donation Item(s):

[] Sponsor Playground Improvements

Your Monetary Sponsorship Donation will help offset the costs of paint, stain, painting tools, and lumber/hardware. Your business or family name will be featured on signage during the Playground Update Work Day as well as in the May Newsletter and Facebook Thank You post.

******* THANK YOU FROM PTO! *******