

Request for Emergency/Hardship Funds 2008-09

Overview

The PRDTU Emergency/Hardship Fund has been set up to help in response to a need teachers see in our schools. As we know, the economic situation in our community in the past few years has worsened, and as a result we are seeing more students in need. The PRDTU has a history of making donations of time and money to community organizations, and often teachers have dug into their own pockets to help students in crisis.

While we recognize that we are not able to solve all the numerous issues that poverty creates, we can take this opportunity to support our students.

This fund is a short-term measure, and part of a larger strategy of finding ways to better advocate for our students.

The fund will be available for the remainder of the 2008/2009 school year, and will be re-evaluated next year.

Implementation

A teacher may apply to the fund when he or she sees a crisis situation for a student that may be helped by purchasing something for that student. To apply, the teacher needs to speak to his or her school Social Justice representative and fill out an application form, which the rep will forward to the PRDTU President who, together with the Social Justice co-chairs, will approve, or not approve the request. If a school does not have a Social Justice Rep, then the request is given to the Staff Rep.

Criteria

This fund is designed to provide emergency funds for teachers to help address emerging urgent needs that students may have.

This fund is not intended to address short falls in schools due to funding cuts.

It is not intended to cover ongoing expenses a student may have.

The emergency fund is intended to help teachers help students who are in immediate need in situations where there is no other immediate institutional support.

The request should not exceed \$ 100.
Receipts need to be submitted.

**PRDTU/Social Justice
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Name: _____ Date: _____

School: _____

Criteria

- This request addresses urgent needs that student(s) have.
- This request does not address short falls in schools due to funding cuts.
- This request does not cover ongoing expenses a student may have.
- No other immediate institutional support is available.
- This request is not for extra-curricular activities.
- Receipts will be submitted
- The request should not exceed \$100

Request for:

Rationale:

Cost: _____

Signature

- Process: 1) Submit request to Social Justice Rep. for signature (or Staff rep, if there is no SJ rep)
2) The request will be sent to Gabriel Bureau Pres. PRDTU - Fax 624-6784
3) Marla Gamble and Gabriel Bureau will make a decision on the approval of the application.
4) Applicant will be contacted.
This process will be completed as quickly as possible.

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Approved Not Approved Date _____

_____ Marla Gamble Chair

_____ Gabriel Bureau President PRDTU