

To: Greenville County Schools PTA/PTSA Organizations

From: Megan Carpenter

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I am excited to announce that the initial giving campaign for the Greenville County Schools Foundation has started. The mission statement of the foundation is "Celebrating Success in Greenville County Schools through grants, scholarships and communication to the community using innovative funding" With gifts and donations, the foundation board and the Superintendent hope to recognize schools and teachers for innovative ideas, provide student scholarships, and recognize these academic successes using different media outlets.

Why am I sending this to your organizations? In an effort to create both support for the foundation and to create a win/win opportunity for our schools, we have created a "Friends of the Foundation" donor option.

How does it work? PTAs can sell \$20 memberships to the "Friends of the Foundation". These memberships can be sold to your parents, school staff, grandparents, businesses etc. Your PTA will receive 20% of what you collect back in the form of a grant from the foundation. We are hopeful that by the end of October these donations could be made via the donor button on the foundations website, until then we are asking schools to collect the money and send as a total to Jeff Knotts, 301 Camperdown Way, Greenville, SC 29601. All checks should be made to Greenville County Schools foundation.

Also, having been involved in PTA for over 20 years, I know that PTAs recognize teachers, principals and PTA Presidents. I hope that you will consider making a donation to the foundation in their honor. The honoree will receive notification that a donation has been made in their name.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at momcrz4@aol.com, or 420-0546. I am happy to come and speak with your PTA when asked. I hope that you all will consider becoming part of the foundation!