

## **Thank you to our parents for their continued support of GECA PTSA**

### **TOGETHER**

### **Our accomplishments for this 2017-18 school year**

#### **FUNDRAISING: Together we raised \$11,765.19**

Donation Drive  
GECA Premium Cards  
Black Bear Restaurant Days  
Holiday Wrapping at the Gilroy Premium Outlets  
Spirit Wear Sales  
DeBrito Apple Sales  
Annual Bake Sale Downtown

#### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH:**

Embrace A Senior Project  
Staff Appreciation Week  
Homebaked desserts & cards for all staff birthdays  
Giving Tree For Our Staff  
Monthly Staff Appreciation Events

#### **HOW YOU HELPED US SPEND THE FUNDS WE RAISED:**

You came out in full support and helped us chaperone the entire student body to the Berkeley College Campus Tour  
Purchased a Volleyball Net and Ball for the Students to use in the quad  
Annual Bake Sale Downtown - Temporary Food Permit & Vendor Fees & donated baked goods for us to sell  
Helped us to be able to help ASB where we could for the dances and school sponsored events  
Donated \$100 in prizes for the Poetry Out-loud Competition winners  
Contributed a total of \$4,500 to the students class account funds in preparation for their senior year events  
Hosted a Welcome Back luncheon for our staff with food from Cafe 152 & supplied Goodie Bags for each teacher  
Provided lunch for all the volunteers at our Schedule Pick Up days in August 2017  
Hosted our first Freshmen Potluck with much success and established a yearly new school event  
Provided breakfast for the Freshmen Interviews to all the volunteers who donated their time  
Coordinated the distribution of funds donated to the teachers for their classrooms  
Provided toners for the staff printers  
Provided boxes, tablecloths, wrapping paper, tissue and assorted supplies for our Holiday Wrapping at the Outlets  
Provided an earmarked account of \$6600 for the busses needed for 2018-19 yr field trip  
Provided lunch for our Senior Project Judges for the two days of judging  
Hosted/Coordinated the Teacher Appreciation Week  
Provided the cakes for our Graduation Ceremony for our Class of 2018  
Provided copy paper and tissues for the main office

#### **COMMUNICATION & DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION:**

Approved budget to grant PTSA the ability to effectively serve the Students, Teachers and Staff when needed  
Hosted 9 PTSA Board Meetings and 8 Agenda Approval Meetings  
Provided Special Guest Speakers from all over our community at each of the 8 meetings for parents to help parents for their students success  
Met with Principal Flores frequently for good communication  
Applied for a Gal's Grant to obtain supplies for the school  
Created online resources for effectively getting/giving needed information/supplies for staff  
Effectively established a system of organization within our Google Drive to pass forward  
Effectively updated our presence on Facebook for parents, students and staff  
Created a new Instagram account to better reach our students  
Created an account on the REMIND APP for reminders and cohesive communication to parents/staff and students  
Provided multiple opportunities for students to get Community Service Hours  
Helped facilitate the Sober Grad Night Celebration Ceremony and the all night party  
Updated our Web page with current information on both the families & events tab  
Reorganized and took inventory of our storage closet to minimize the cost of purchasing goods already in our possession  
Provided file cabinets for the main office staff  
Purchased items to help make us to be more successful during the Holiday Wrapping and Bake Sale  
Worked much closer with ASB in developing a more effective form of communication and support of each other  
Worked with ASB to bring more information to parents and students by increasing their presence at PTSA meetings  
Provided Spanish Translation at PTSA meetings and with PTSA School loop emails, Minutes, Agendas and Invites  
All in all we tried to take care of our staff, making them feel special and supported throughout the year

#### **With Special Thanks to:**

The wonderful women on our board who made time, found time, and devoted their time to our GECA PTSA team & projects  
The amazing Student Representative Ms. Frida Arias who assisted in all of our translation services, allowing us to reach more parents  
To our principal Mrs. Flores for the guidance, support and direction given throughout the 2017-18 school year  
All of the previous Board Members who helped the new members transition into their positions  
All of the parents who came each month to our Board Meetings to help us make good decisions for the school as a whole  
Each of the staff members who came to our meetings and provided support for each of our events  
Staff members who went above and beyond in assuring a smooth transition for our new boards and its members