Welcome to the 2025-2026 GALACTIC school year!

For the new parents of our gifted littles, I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself and our organization. My name is Rachel Tran and I have a Fifth Grader and a Third Grader in the program, as well as two former GALACTIC students, one in Middle School and one in High School. The Booster Club is made up of parent volunteers that donate time and resources to help advocate for our children's education in the HSD umbrella. Many of the fine programs here at the GALACTIC Center count on all our continued support; whether monetarily, donation of time, or through emails of policy support to the school board. The Hazelwood GALACTIC Program is one of the best in the state, with its own dedicated building and staff. The curriculum offered to our children is robust with opportunities in a large spectrum of disciplines, but the district's budget can only provide so much.

That is where the Booster Club comes in. In a nut-shell, we raise money that goes directly to our student's needs. We provide guest speakers such as: Serengeti Steve for Herpetology, and the Shakespeare Festival to perform in house. We handle the costs of competitions in both the Linguistics class and the Equations class. Every year we fund a project to better the school for our children. We have installed ADA playground equipment, remodeled a classroom into a makerspace, and provided the school with I-pads.

These accomplishments can only happen with your involvement. We ask that every parent donate $5 to become a member. We hope to have volunteers to help with our program, but if that isn't possible, we do take additional monetary donations. Unlike the PTA at most schools, we do not send home things to sell. However, we do two to three fundraising functions each year. We ask that you spend your money on a family event like Barbeques and a Trivia Night. With this letter you should have an attached form for joining the Boosters. Please digitally complete the form and submit payment electronically through Venmo: https://.venmo.com/HSD_Galactic_Boosters

Membership Form: https://forms.gle/ov27aGZd8WEy2JCw5

Please look for our communications and meeting information on Facebook: HSD GALACTIC Boosters & Families

I would like to thank you all for your interest in your child's education and continued support. Information about our first Booster meeting will be out next week. Please check Facebook for the meeting information, or the emails from Galactic Personnel. Feel free to contact me at hsdgalacticboosters@gmail.com with any questions or ideas.

Rachel Tran

Boosters President