

## 2008-2009 UHS PTO Enrichment Projects

This year has been a banner year in many respects and no less so than the unprecedented 17 Enrichment Project Requests totaling \$41,969.59 from UHS staff. At our December 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting the members approved funding 9 of the 17 from our Enrichment Projects fund totaling \$21,789.77 and funded an additional 3 projects from our PTO Special Projects fund totaling \$2,972.00. All of the requests had merit and the PTO appreciates the opportunity to consider funding any meritorious project to benefit the high school. We prioritize each request based on its contribution to enriching the educational experience through an innovative project/request along with our financial capacity to support and the overall number who benefit. The following are the projects approved for funding through the PTO Enrichment Project Fund:

Qwizdom Interactive Response Unit, Science Lab “Probe” Carts, Print Resources for the Library, 2 LCD Projectors, “Set Games” for Math, 4-Lego Mindstorm NXTs, Dye Sublimation Printing Ink System and jig saw kit and right angle drill for Tech Ed.

This year we received a number of requests for non-instructional items. Although these requests do not fit in with our mission for funding educational enrichment most are of a nature that address the overall feeling of pride and enhancing the general operation of UHS. We felt they were items that should be supported by *someone* and the following were approved for funding from the newly established PTO Special Projects:

3 inlay UHS Logo Mats, a LCD TV for Main Lobby display of announcements and a digital video camera for the English department.

Thus far, the PTO has committed over \$24,000 to the high school through the above projects. While this is an enormous amount of money it is more amazing to have raised this and more through the hard work of parents and students. Thanks to each of you for your continued support, which contributes to the greater good of our school community.

Best Regards,  
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