

PTA Grant Request

Mountain PTA Educational Grant Policy:

The PTA Budget authorizes money for grants to teachers, staff, students and Mountain parents. Grants must be approved at a PTA meeting, so please turn in your grant request at least 48 hours before the next scheduled PTA meeting (see <http://www.mountainpta.org>). You can print this document, fill it out, and hand it to a member of the PTA Board or you can download this document, fill it out on your device, save it, and email it to officers@mountainpta.org.

Date: 10/3/2023

Requestor: 6th Grade

Project Title: Glorietta Field Trip

Which students will this project benefit?

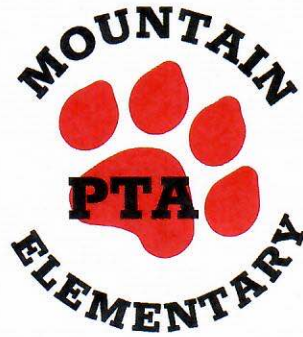
All 6th grade students

Amount Not to Exceed (include tax and shipping) : \$ 3,000

Please provide the following information on the subsequent pages:

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- 2) How will the project work? If possible please include an approximate timetable.
- 3) Please give an itemized list of expenses. Has funding been sought from any other source? Please explain.
- 4) Other information that might help the grant committee is considering this request.

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1) Will this project solve an existing problem or meet a need for students that is not currently being met?

6th Grade students (Class of 2030) have missed out on their usual field trips in the last 2 years. The PTA budget approved funding for trips which did not occur for reasons beyond everyone's control.

As 5th Graders, the Winter Activity (skiing/ snow boarding) didn't happen due to staff shortages at Pajarito Mountain.

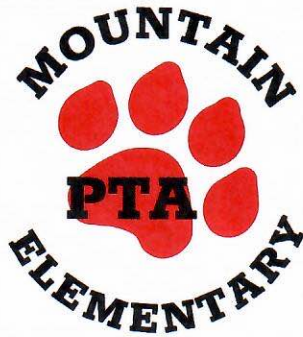
In 4th Grade Swimming Lessons were unavailable due to county staff shortages at the pool.

In 2nd grade students had no field trips even prior to the COVID pandemic.

\$2,000 was unused by this 6th Grade class in the last 2 years.

COVID has restricted 6th grade students from bonding through special school group activities, more than any other grade. The Class of 2030 has not received a fair portion of fundraising dollars over the last 2 years. This trip will not only give the students a much needed bonding activity but would also provide some equity to the class and their families who support the school.

Previous 6th Grade classes have attended Glorietta and participated in their adventure activities. Teachers have witnessed firsthand the team building benefits such activities provide to student wellbeing and mental health. These have lasting positive effects on student life and in the classroom. Learning doesn't just happen in the traditional classroom environment.



2) How will the project work? If possible please include an approximate timetable.

Glorietta Camp offers group activities for students.

On November 3rd, students will travel by school bus to Glorietta Adventure Camp near Santa Fe, leaving at the start of school.

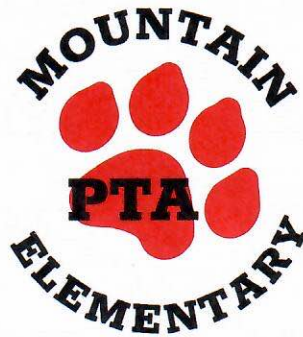
Students will participate in 2 activities over the course of the day.

Students will eat lunch at Glorietta.

Students will leave Glorietta by 2:30pm to arrive back at Mountain campus in time for dismissal.

6th Grade Teachers would like to attend a further adventure camp with the class in the spring to see the growth in student cooperation and problem solving.

This project completely embodies the school theme: "Watch Us Grow"

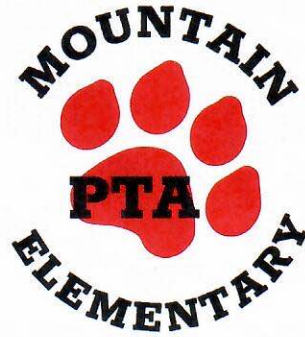


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Mrs. Lee approached the state with a similar proposal over the summer. The presentation was highly praised but due to the funding available to LAPS the proposal was denied for state support. No other organizations have been approached for funding.

58 students will participate in 2 activities @ Glorietta (\$45/student) = \$2,610
2 buses to transport students = \$400
Total = \$3,010

Students will take a packed lunch to Glorietta. Lunch is provided by the schools or can be taken by students.



4) Other information that might help the grant committee is considering this request.

Historically, pre-COVID, 6th graders were taken on 2 ropes course activities in the fall and spring. Mountain was the first school in the district to attend ropes course. It was so successful and beneficial to students, fostering team building and bonding between students, that all elementary schools in the district decided to take their 6th grade classes to adventure courses. This is a beloved 6th grade tradition teachers would like to resurrect as we return to normal.

The Class of 2030 has not gone on the same number of field trips relative to other classes going through Mountain. This field trip to Glorietta would give the group a much needed off campus experience that will be a lasting memory of their Mountain school journey. It will also provide a special bond with their Mountain classmates as they continue their education at LAMS and LAHS.