**Our Mission Statement**


Matoska International Elementary is a globally-minded school providing its students with both a worldwide perspective and a strong connection to the local communities in which we live. The Matoska International Parent Teacher Organization (MIPTO) aims to build a strong community, representing all students and families, focusing on the philosophy and goals of Matoska International School for its long-term growth and success.

**Why your gift matters:**

Most importantly, as an International Baccalaureate school, our goal is to develop lifelong learners who are compassionate and knowledgeable inquirers. As a means to accomplish this goal, we must provide our students with a variety of learning opportunities in which to explore and discover. In addition, with the state withholding 40% of public school education funding to balance the state’s budget, schools must find a way to continue to meet all of their monthly financial commitments with only 60% of the funding. The MIPTO has set a goal to raise $5,000 this year, which equals a one-time donation of approximately **$10 per student**, to help enhance the quality education here at Matoska International.

**How your gift will be used:**

Matoska International’s PTO has six main financial priorities:

 - Classroom & Teacher Support - Community Building Programs

 - Service Learning Projects - End of Year “Fun Day” Event

 - Literacy & Technology Support - Student Enrichment (Art, Field Trips)

**How can I contribute to the donation drive?**

We have 3 optional donation programs from which you can choose:

Option 1 – **G**ive **E**very **M**onth (GEM) Program: you choose the dollar amount to give each month. Five Levels of Giving: Sapphire ($10/mo); Emerald ($20/mo); Pearl: ($25/mo); Ruby ($30/mo); Diamond ($50/mo) - (online only via [GiveMN.org](http://www.givemn.org)).

Option 2 – Sponsor-a-Student: donate the amount of your discretion in the name of a Matoska Student (this is a great option for grandparents and extended family).

Option 3 – One time donation: make a donation in the amount of your choosing. This gift can be given in the form of check, cash or online giving at GiveMN.org.

\*Please note: Your donation may be tax deductible. Also, many companies and foundations will match employee donations, so check with your employer about corporate matching – it’s a great way to double your gift! See the MIPTO website for more details: <http://matoskaparents.weebly.com/>

*Please complete the attached forms if you wish to contribute to our annual donation drive.*

*Feel free to copy the form if you would like to ask friends or extended family to make a donation.*

**THANK YOU for your support!**

Many other events occur throughout the year. Look for information to be sent home on the following:

 - Chip Shoppe Fundraiser - School Carnival - Read-A-Thon

 - Saints North Roller Skating Events - 4th & 5th Grade Camps - Plant Sales

 - Book Fairs - Art Show & Auction - and more!

*Please complete the following form & return if you wish to make a donation.*

*Feel free to copy this form if you would like to ask friends or family to contribute.*

Donations can be in the form of cash, check, money order, or credit card\*\* (online only via [GiveMN.org](http://www.givemn.org)).

\*Please go to: <http://matoskaparents.weebly.com/> for complete details on corporate matching

or talk with your Human Resources Department prior to making your donation.

\*\*Credit card payments can be made via the [GiveMN.org](http://www.givemn.org) website

or go to <http://matoskaparents.weebly.com/> for more details.

**I would like to participate in the following option to help enhance the education of the students at Matoska International:**

\_\_\_\_ **Option 1** – **G**ive **E**very **M**onth (GEM) Program - (online only via [GiveMN.org](http://www.givemn.org)).

Level of Giving:

 \_\_\_\_ Sapphire ($10/mo) \_\_\_\_ Emerald ($20/mo) \_\_\_\_ Pearl ($25/mo)

 \_\_\_\_ Ruby ($30/mo) \_\_\_\_ Diamond ($50/mo) \_\_\_\_ Other ($\_\_\_\_\_ /mo)

\_\_\_\_ **Option 2** – Sponsor-a-Student (a great option for grandparents & extended family!)

Donation Amount: $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student Name & Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ **Option 3** – One time donation

Donation Amount $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for being a crucial part of our learning community and for supporting us in our mission! We welcome you to join us at our monthly meetings at any time!**

**Please return this form and payment to the school office or mail to:**

**Matoska International, Attn: MIPTO – 2530 Spruce Place – White Bear Lake, MN 55110**

**Make checks payable to “MIPTO”**

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Student Name(s) & Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Form of Payment: \_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_Check/Money Order \_\_\_\_ Credit Card\*\*

 (via [www.GiveMN.org](http://www.givemn.org))

Payment Enclosed: \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No, Online Payment via GiveMN.org

Anticipated Corporate Match from Employer\*:

\_\_\_\_ No

\_\_\_\_ Yes – Name of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_