



\$ PROPOSAL FOR SPENDING SAC FUND-RAISING MONEY

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Classroom/Grade(s) Impacted: Grade 1-6 (all languages)

1) Please provide a brief description of the project/program being proposed, including grades of students that will be involved.

The proposal is for all Grade 1-6 students to experience a play put on by the Dufflebag Theater in the school gym. This theater company works through Prologue Performing Arts, a TDSB approved vendor. They travel throughout schools exposing and encouraging a love of arts among students.

2) Please provide details on the problem that currently exists and how the proposed project/program will address it.

With limitations on funding being a real issue for many school districts, the arts is often an area which may not always receive funding for enrichment. The arts have tangible benefits for students including allowing students to appraise new situations, improving empathy through understanding others' experiences, developing listening skills, and engaging students senses. Watching performances can also spark learning (emotionally and academically). Bringing a performance to the school can have all these benefits and will impact 334 students. At a total cost of around \$1250 this is a cost of less than \$4/student.

3) Please describe in detail how the solution being proposed will benefit all Humbercrest students equitably?

All Grade 1-6 children (all classes, all languages, etc) will be included therefore no one group will be excluded from this opportunity. I would love for this opportunity to continue beyond this year so the JK/SK students could experience this opportunity in future years as well.

4) Please provide examples of other schools/jurisdictions where this project/program has been implemented and its outcomes.

Denlow Public School in North York (TDSB) have engaged this theater company previously and have spoken extremely positively about the experience. Other quotes can be found on their website including the following from a principal in Alberta: "As per the usual, they were fantastic! It is difficult to find presentations that appeal to both younger students (i.e. Kindergarten/Grade 1) and older students (Grade 6). The team showed up about a half hour early, were set up quickly and were ready to go. The other thing that I personally have noticed over the years is how adept the presenters are at making the student participants comfortable."

5) How is this project/program in line with the Humbercrest goals in Equity, Achievement and Wellbeing?

This proposal would expose students to the arts in a way that they may not have experienced to date. All Grade 1-6 students will have this opportunity so it is fair and equitable that not only one classroom or language will benefit.

6) Please provide a schedule that includes details such as sourcing equipment, implementation in the classrooms etc.

No equipment is needed (confirmed no microphone, lighting required). The theater company tailors to school performances therefore is very transportable and has an easy set-up. I have tentatively put a hold on June 12th for a performance as the Company is booked through June as they are very popular. The company provides the school/art teachers with curriculum to discuss/utilize before/after the performance.

7) All Costs ie. GST, PST, Shipping and Handling, and any currency conversion (US\$ to CDN\$)*

\$1073+ HST (for 300 students) and +\$1/student beyond 300 students. As I am proposing 334 students in attendance (Grades 1-6) this would equal \$1251 CAD (\$1073+\$34*1.13%).

8) Other Important Information:

Please be advised that certain goods and services must be purchased from suppliers approved by the TDSB whose estimated costs may differ from other quotes obtained.

This is an approved vendor for the TDSB. Quote was obtained and confirmed by the vendor directly.