



2023-2024 DIRECT DONATION DRIVE IS HERE!

Dear MATES Family,

Welcome new and returning community members! The MATES Community Network (MCN) has planned a year of exciting programs that can only be found at our very own Meadows Arts and Technology Elementary School, distinguished provider of education in the heart of Thousand Oaks. With your continued support, MCN is able to enrich the lives of our students and family members through programs that build a strong and vibrant community.

None of this would be possible without the contributions of our generous donors.

MCN was able to raise over \$50,000 through last year's support of the annual Direct Donation Drive! Our goal this year is to reach \$55,000 in direct donations, but even more importantly, we strive to have 100% of our MATES families contributing. MCN thanks every family for donating an amount they find personally meaningful. Your contribution is 100% tax deductible. Your gift of \$150 and above earns a Heart of An Eagle with your donor name on the MATES fence. A generous gift of \$250 and above will also receive a custom MATES keepsake.

Our Goal is 100% Participation from our MATES Families!

Your participation will directly enhance the outstanding support MCN is available to offer our students and family members. Choose your donor level, and know that every dollar of every donation goes to support the events, programs, students, staff and mission at MATES. EVERY DONATION ADDS TO OUR SUCCESS as a thriving hub of arts, technology and educational excellence!

Become a 2023-2024 MATES Community Network Donor!

Donor Levels	
\$1-\$149	MATES Mighty Eagle
\$150-\$249	MATES Heart of an Eagle
\$250-\$499	MATES MCN Keepsake
\$500-\$999	MATES Champion
\$1000+	MATES Benefactor

Please complete the direct donation form on the MCN store located through the QR code on the next page. Select the Pay Now button to donate wirelessly and paper free through Tithe.ly. If you are writing a check, please fill out the direct donation form on the MCN store (matesmcn.net) and then return your check in an enclosed envelope labeled Direct Donation to the front office

by September 22nd. As always, MCN sincerely thanks you for your support in building our community!

Arezou Zaidi and Nancy Melgar
MCN Fundraising Co-Chairs

Questions? <https://matesmcn.net/what-we-do/where-do-donations-go/>
For more information email: fundraising@matesmcn.net



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How to Donate:

- 1) Scan the QR code below to reach the MCN Store (matesmcn.net).
- 2) Fill out the Direct Donation online form with your information to receive a letter documenting your 100% tax deductible donation.
- 3) Click the Pay Now button to donate via electronic check or credit card through [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly).

*If you are writing a check, please complete the Direct Donation online form at matesmcn.net with your information and return your check in a sealed envelope to the MATES front office by Sept. 22.



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