



2016-2017
FOSA fundraising
goal is \$85,000

Make your gift as large
as you can, but no
amount is too small —
every dollar counts!

Join **The Eagle Society** at Stone Academy! Become part of the Annual Fund major donors program. Details are on the pledge form.

Annual Fund Pledge Drive

The Friends of Stone Academy (FOSA) is the fundraising arm of Stone's parent organizations which include the PTA, Local School Council, and Room Parent Organization. In addition to our other fundraisers, FOSA conducts a pledge drive throughout each school year called the Annual Fund. We simply ask you to pledge an amount that you can donate in one payment or installments. FOSA is a registered 501(c)(3) organization and your gift is tax-deductible to the full extent of the law.

WHY DONATE? FOR THE KIDS, OF COURSE!

The arts and enrichment programs at Stone go well beyond the reaches of Illinois State funding. Your generous donation provides the financial support needed to continue our excellent art residencies at each grade level, and help cover the costs of supplemental academic, arts and athletics. Information on these programs can be found with this pledge packet.

Your contribution makes a real difference to our school and students. These programs promote literacy and cultural awareness. They add to the educational, physical, and emotional development of our children. With your donation, we can continue to keep these incredible programs alive for all students at no cost to them.

FOSA's commitment doesn't stop there.

For 2016 and beyond our goals are

- Supporting after school programs
- Contributing to our technology plan with new equipment
- Curriculum support, school enhancement, and much more

2016-2017 Annual Fund Goal is \$30,000

GREAT SCHOOLS DON'T JUST HAPPEN.

They are created and nurtured by active, generous communities.

Together, we can make sure Stone stays a competitive and great school.

Remember, you **can** make your gift in installments—just indicate your preferred increment on the pledge form.

Thank you on behalf of the FOSA board of directors,
Arjumund Orellana and Aimee Flaks
Friends of Stone Academy Co-Presidents



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Annual Fund Pledge Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Student(s) _____

LEVEL OF SUPPORT

All contributions of *any amount* make a big difference for our children at Stone.

ANNUAL FUND CONTRIBUTION:

ONE TIME DONATION \$ _____ OR

INSTALLMENT PLAN \$ _____ in _____ payments

Please indicate total amount and number of installments (e.g. \$300 in 10 payments)

Yes, I want to be a part of THE EAGLE SOCIETY!

Members of *The Eagle Society* giving **\$300 or more** receive an invitation to a special event. Families giving **\$500 or more** will also receive family sponsorship listing on the Jog-A-Thon t-shirt and children will be included in the Jog-A-Thon ice cream party.

Please fill out your one-time donation amount above OR using an installment plan:

\$300 to \$499 \$ _____ in _____ payments

\$500 and up \$ _____ in _____ payments

Please make my donation anonymous

My employer will match my donation. I will forward the appropriate form.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: FRIENDS OF STONE ACADEMY

You may return your checks to the school office or mail them to: *Stone Scholastic Academy, 6239 N. Leavitt, Chicago IL 60659*. If you are choosing an installment plan please enclose your first month's payment.

The Mission of Friends of Stone Academy is to raise additional funds to support the mission and vision of Stone Scholastic Academy as set forth in the CIWP (Continuous Improvement Work Plan).

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Contribute online at stoneacademy.net/fosa

INFORMATION ON THE UNIQUE ARTS AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS MADE POSSIBLE BY YOUR GIFT TO FOSA

STONE ACADEMY

GRADE LEVEL ART RESIDENCIES

K- Ballet with Chicago Dance Crash

Kindergartners receive ballet instruction and perform in the spring school assembly.

1st- Tap Dance

First graders receive tap dance instruction and perform in the spring school assembly.

2nd- Drama with Raven Theatre

Second graders are instructed in theater arts and perform at the school. Some students have the opportunity to participate in a performance at Raven Theatre.

3rd- Cultural Dance with Dancing with Class

Third graders learn about different cultures and their music. They learn intricate dance steps and perform in the spring school assembly.

4th- Blues Music with Blues in the Schools

Fourth graders learn about blues music and its history. They perform at the world renowned Chicago Blues Fest in Grant Park.

5th- Ballroom Dance with Dancing with Class

Fifth graders learn ballroom dance, "an exciting way for students to develop important social skills that lead to success both in the classroom and throughout their lives." - *Dancing with Class* website. They perform in the spring school assembly and some students have the opportunity to compete in a citywide ballroom competition.

6th- The World Weavers Project with the Minasian Rug Company & Urban Gateways; White Pines Camping Trip

Sixth graders participate in an 8-week textiles curriculum, culminating in the production of one handmade rug designed by a student. Our sixth graders also have the option to participate in a two-night camping trip, allowing them to be independent in an appropriately supervised setting.

7th- African Dance with Urban Gateways

Seventh graders learn about African culture and music. They receive dance instruction and perform in the spring school assembly.

8th - MeMA-Music: Arts-Integrated Social Studies Enrichment Program

Students critically examine the culture, history and landmark achievements of the 1960s through exploring socially conscious music, art, film clips and more. Students link what they learn to real-world issues they face today. The program culminates in a student-created showcase of social justice projects using digital media, art and more.

SCHOOL-WIDE ENRICHMENT

As FOSA's ability to fundraise has increased, more programs have been supported:

After School Programs

Chicago after school programs lost significant funding in recent years. FOSA funds match a percentage of school funds to continue to provide this valuable resource for students. The after school programs that are offered include arts, athletics and supplemental academic programs.

Our Winning Sports Teams

CPS no longer offers sufficient athletic funding for elementary schools. Having sports teams require transportation, referees and funding. We currently offer soccer, basketball, cross country, and track for our Stone Eagles.

Library

Each school must fund its own books through their school based funds. FOSA and the PTA provide a budget and books to our library each year to ensure we maintain a collection that is current and interesting to our students.

Music and Drama

Regular music enrichment is offered to each child at Stone, but there is additional music available through after school programs like chorus, band, the fall play, and the spring musical.

Technology Support

Technology in the classroom and around the school is replaced as needed.

Curriculum Support

Some curriculum, like reading and science, need additional books and materials throughout the year.

School Enhancement

Small enhancement projects in the building and on school grounds as needed. For example, FOSA funds were used to buy health and fitness equipment for our new fitness room.

School Partnerships

FOSA sponsored a partnership with Public Allies' AmeriCorps program to host an apprenticeship at Stone to support our technology curriculum.