



East Fairmont Middle School

221 Mason Street • Fairmont, WV 26554

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Dear Community Member,

East Fairmont Middle School is the largest middle school in Marion County serving almost 750 students. Our students come from a variety of backgrounds both culturally and economically and almost 50% qualify for free or reduced lunch. We strive to offer our students a variety of experiences including field trips, STEM opportunities, elective classes in the arts including band and choir, opportunities to participate in various clubs and organizations including student council and Destination Imagination, and sports such as basketball, volleyball, track/cross country, football, wrestling, softball, soccer, and cheer. The above mentioned activities are only a few that are available to East Fairmont Middle School students.

We are writing this letter on behalf of the East Fairmont Middle School community. Here at East Fairmont, our leadership team is working hard to make improvements and to provide an atmosphere conducive to learning and socially welcoming to our students, families, and staff. We are working on many projects to improve various aspects of our school and would like to request support. You could provide assistance by volunteering time, money, services, or merchandise to support one of the projects we are currently working on.

Some of the projects that we are working on include campus beautification including cleaning out and sprucing up our flower beds out front, creating an outdoor classroom which includes picnic tables for an alternate setting for instruction, the placement of a buddy bench for students who might be struggling to make friends or with feelings of loneliness, programs to help with recognition of staff members and students that demonstrate the outstanding hornet qualities that we value and encourage, and the creation of a career fair to help students begin thinking about possible career paths for their future.

Specific needs we have include monetary support for programs. Donations needed include river rock for our front flower bed area, \$10 gift cards to area restaurants to include in our staff recognition program, items for our school store that can be purchased by students with "Honey Money" they earn by showing positive Hornet qualities, items that can be included in raffle baskets for student rewards, a bench, and picnic tables. Volunteerism is also appreciated if you or someone you know would be willing to do so in areas such as helping with the flower bed project, helping run our "Honey Money" store during student lunches, creating our outdoor classroom, or speaking to students during a career fair.

If you would be willing to assist East Fairmont Middle reach the goals that we are working on to better our campus and the student experiences as outlined above, please reach out to us. Debbie Conover, principal, will serve as the point of contact for these conversations. You can reach her by calling (304) 367-2123 or emailing her at dconover@k12.wv.us. Even if you are unable to assist at this time but would like to continue to receive updates about projects happening at East Fairmont Middle, please contact Mrs. Conover to have your name added to our contact list.

Sincerely,

The administrative staff at East Fairmont Middle