



THE EAST SIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The PTA at East Side Middle School is an actively engaged network of parents working to support our principals David Getz and Kevin Colon, as well as our school faculty and staff, in providing one of the best middle school experiences in New York City. Thanks to the generosity of our families, the PTA is able to fund many of the programs that create an excellent artistic, athletic, and globally-rich environment to supplement the rigorous academic learning at ESMS.

In recent years our public school system has endured a stark decline in DOE funding so we must count on the support of our school community to fill new budget gaps. The PTA supports the Classic Stage Company's Theatre Collaborations course, the in-school Shakespeare program, uniforms and equipment for 8 competitively ranked sports teams, various academic enhancements including our Model U.N. program and the 7th Grade Constitutional Law Program, and unique field trip opportunities for each grade that take advantage of our dynamic city as well as interesting destinations beyond. Our PTA budget also supports a range of electives and

clubs, new laptop computers, a school technology consultant, training and development for our teachers, the yearbook publication, our website and school directory, the girls' and boys' mentoring programs, social welfare workshops for both parents and students via our partnership with NYU's Child Study Center, school dances and celebrations, furniture and supplies, and many other enrichments.

Our goal is to involve every family at ESMS in the work of the PTA through volunteerism, donations to our Annual Fund, or both. We encourage you to attend our monthly PTA meetings and other events, which are listed on the school's calendar. If you would like to get involved, please contact any member of the Executive Board (our directory is located under the PTA tab) or send us an email to pta@esms.org.

The school programs we fund would not be possible without the support of our parent body. We urge families to donate to their capacity. Please click on the "Donate" button on the right side of the website's homepage to give generously today.