

## PITCHING IN TO SUPPORT EDUCATION AT CHARLEMAGNE

The current sad reality is that state and local tax dollars do not cover the cost of staffing at Charlemagne. When the big cuts hit a few years ago, Charlemagne parents chose to raise money to maintain music, PE, library services, and instructional assistants. The funding situation for the current year is better but we still all need to pitch in to support our program.

Below is a listing of all of the ways you can help to maintain current staffing as well as provide books, supplies, and other PTO sponsored enrichment activities. Please recognize that not all can give of their time and money equally. Please help out as best you can.

We fundraise in the current school year for the next school year. The following is our example from last year's fundraising. We will not know our current goal amount until Feb. 08(4J Budget).

Total ESTIMATED amount needed to fund Charlemagne for 2008-2009 = \$65,000

Total amount divided by 291 students = \$223/student

**How you can pitch in** (you can track your amounts where applicable):

	Sell during the wrapping paper drive (50% of sales to the school)
	Sign up for escrip, shop at Market of Choice, 2-4% to the school
	Sign up for escrip, shop at Safeway, 1-4% to the school
	Get a Community Partners card for Albertsons & use it
	Buy Newmans, Sundance, ... scrip in school office ( 5% to school)
	Buy books at the book fair, profits buy books for library
	Participate in Math-a-thon, all amounts collected help!
	Attend and buy items at Mardi Gras (and have fun too!)
	Contribute to the direct donation drive via EEF
	Participate in jog-a-thon, all amounts collected help!
	Cut out "box tops for education" and turn in to office .10/boxtop
	Volunteer your time to help out with a fundraising event
	Volunteer your time to help out in the classroom
	Support the teachers' and your child's efforts at Charlemagne

### Notes about Scrip:

Scrip is an easy way to make a financial contribution without spending any extra money! 1. Go to [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com). (a secure website) 2. Click on "1" for "Sign up, It's Free". 3. Click "Group ID", type in "7748978" in the search field, and then click on "Search". 4. A new screen comes up that shows the school. Click on "Charlemagne at Fox Hollow" and then click on "Next" to proceed to the next step of registering your credit/debit card(s) and Safeway card. Voila! You are done and on your way to making an easy contribution.