

# GOMPERS PREPARATORY ACADEMY

## MENU OF FUNDING 2009-2010

### Academic Supports

Because the majority of our students enter GCMS two to four grade levels below their current grade in literacy and math, we must offer a range of academic supports in order to accelerate their learning and raise their achievement to proficiency.

#### **Saturday Academy** **\$40,000**

Saturday Academy is an opportunity for students to receive enrichment and tutoring in English, Science, and History. Saturday Academy is three hours and is taught using small group instruction, often with as low as a 4:1 student to teacher ratio.

#### **High School PM** **\$17,000**

To provide a calm, distraction-free environment for studying, we open our library to Freshman on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, providing tutoring, homework help, and test prep.

#### **Math Learning Center** **\$15,000**

Because all our 8<sup>th</sup> graders take Algebra and all our 9<sup>th</sup> graders take Geometry, it is imperative that we provide supports for our students so ALL students can be successful. Our Math Center operates on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, and includes tutoring, homework help, and exploration with manipulatives.

#### **UCSD Tutors** **\$10,000**

Although our UCSD tutors are volunteers from the university, we must screen and fingerprint all adults who work with children during or after school.

### Professional Development

At GCMS and GPA, we believe that education starts first with our teachers. Unless our students have the most committed teachers who are well versed in not just their content areas, but also the unique features of our students, they cannot close the achievement gap.

#### **Academic and Culture Camp** **\$50,000**

Academic and Culture camp provides two weeks of instruction prior to the beginning of school, where teachers learn about our unique culture and how to implement it consistently school-wide, cross-curricular topics such as serving Special Needs Students in the General Ed classroom, and discipline specific workshops with experts.

#### **CORE Professional Development** **\$25,000**

“CORE” stands for the “Collaborative Organization of Reading and English.” CORE is a group of teachers who formed to 1)create research-based curriculum maps for collaboratively planned units of study; 2)provide professional development for literacy colleagues to increase content knowledge; and provide new, updated literacy resources for students, particularly ones that are appealing to English Language Learners and reluctant readers.

### Family Support Center

#### **Family Support Services** **\$215,000**

Because many of our students have emotional and behavioral needs that must be addressed before they can experience academic success, we have an on-site Family Support Center that provides individual, group, and family counseling; intervention classes for issues such as substance and abuse, gang involvement, and anger management; parenting classes; and more.

### Athletics

A quality athletic program is crucial to the education of the whole child. Our athletic program provides our students with additional opportunities to develop team and collaboration skills, build character, learn the tenets of excellent sportsmanship, and benefit from vigorous exercise and conditioning.

#### **Uniforms** **\$15,000**

Uniforms for each team give students a sense of unity and pride in their team.

#### **Transportation** **\$25,000**

Due to our lack of athletic facilities and the necessity to travel to “away” games, we must provide bus transportation to afterschool athletic events.

#### **Athletic Director** **\$40,000**

Our athletic Director will oversee the design and implementation of the athletic program, recruitment and evaluation of coaches, game schedule and transportation, and program safety.