

Put your best FACE forward

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The Alamo Heights School Foundation's annual campaign, known as the FACE (For All Children – Excellence) campaign, provides ongoing, immediate support to the Alamo Heights School District in the form of teacher salaries and innovative grants for teachers.

In addition, a portion of total funds raised are directed to the foundation's endowment fund, ensuring long-term growth and stable private funding for AHISD. For this coming school year, the foundation has set a goal to raise at least \$400,000 to support excellence in education for all children in Alamo Heights, including the approximately 25 percent considered to be at-risk economically.

Contributions to FACE allow the AHSF to provide funding for additional teachers for 2008-2009, which helps the Alamo Heights Independent School District reduce class sizes. They also increase the foundation's endowment, where a portion of FACE funds will help provide a longer term funding solution.

Contributions have an immediate impact on what happens in the classroom, without relying on the state. One hundred percent of each dollar given here in the AHISD, enabling the foundation to retain local control of all monies raised.

The goal of the campaign is to raise \$500 per school year, per student, which comes out to less than \$10 a week. Participation from parents and the broader community is critical to success, and businesses, grandparents, alumni, patrons, neighbors can all play a part in this effort.

As of June 1, the AHSF has raised more than \$370,000. For more information, send an e-mail to twinter@ahisd.net.