



Dear Neighbor,

At Cherokee Elementary School, we strive to provide students with an exceptional education. As a Scottsdale Unified School, in conjunction with our community partners, Cherokee Elementary has been able to shine, a true **Diamond in the Desert**. We believe this is due to the longstanding support from our families, local businesses, and community leaders like you.

Our fundraiser, “**Cherokee, A Diamond in the Desert**,” will take place on April 1, 2022. This event, hosted by the Cherokee Association of Parents and Teachers (APT), is instrumental in funding the programs and the education of children in our community. The funds raised through, “**Cherokee, A Diamond in the Desert**,” will provide our students, and our community with the education, support and enrichment that they have grown to expect from our exceptional school.

The funds raised through our annual gala go directly to our teachers and our diverse student population and provide help to our hard working staff and students with non state funded programs, such as:

- Intervention **specialists in reading and math** to work one-on-one with students who have specific academic needs
- **Teacher aides** in all classrooms
- Enrichment of our students through our **STEAM programs**, which provide creative and dynamic opportunities in the areas of science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics

We are writing to ask for your help in maintaining this history of excellence as a top school, not only in this community, but in Arizona. It is our hope that you will participate by making a monetary donation, or an item donation for our auction. This is our largest fundraising event, and your donation makes a direct difference in the education of our students.

On behalf of the Cherokee staff, and its 700+ students, and their families, we are grateful for your consideration and look forward to new and continued partnerships that elevate the level of education that we are able to offer at Cherokee Elementary School. Thank you for helping us shine!

Yours truly,
The Cherokee Association of Parents and Teachers



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