San Mateo High School
PTO & Foundation

2025–2026 Impact Report

This year, our parent community came together and donated an incredible $315,000!

Here's a glimpse of what that generosity made possible for our students, teachers, and school:

Education Enhancements

- YONDR phone-free environment
- Student newspaper printing costs
- Tech subscriptions for Zipgrade, Kahoot Pro, Gizmos, Quizlet Plus
- World Language cultural enhancements & field trips
- Diamond Grants for teacher projects & field trips: Exploratorium, CSM, culturally specific graduation stoles/sashes, individual whiteboards, CA IDs
- Teacher Professional Development: CADA for student leadership teachers, CAHPERD for PE Teachers, CA SMEC for Music Teacher
- AVID student supplies & college campus tours & visits

Classroom Use Technology Tools

- Color printer for student leadership
- SmartBoards in Music Rooms and Library
- Three new sound systems: MPR, Library & Athletic Training Center
- Cameras for Athletic Leadership
- Digital hot plates for our Science labs

Building Community

- *Breaking Down the Walls Program* in which over 520 students participated in the five day program
- Freshman Orientation & Welcome Week food and supplies
- Bearcat SWAG — t-shirts, lanyards, drawstring bags
- Upgraded Bearcat spirit signage around campus
- Bearcat Benefit Event for parent community & staff

Student Activities & Equal Access

- Club grants, including startup funds to restart the Robotics Club
- Discounted yearbooks & prom tickets
- Grupo Folklórico costumes & startup funds for first stand alone performance in the PAC
- New bass instrument for the Music Program
- Live orchestra for drama musical Les Mis
- Professional lighting, videography and photos for Mateo Motion Dance Program at no cost to students & families
- Volleyball, basketball, badminton & other sports equipment for PE & Athletics Teams
- Grad Night buses & scholarship tickets

Teacher & Staff Appreciation

Hosted multiple events to celebrate our teachers & staff:

- Welcome Back Luncheon
- Holiday Breakfast
- 5 days of Staffulty Appreciation Week

Safety

- Minga student check-in system
- Three iPads & cases for the Campus Security Team

Campus Operations

- New refrigerator for faculty & staff
- New washer & dryer in the Athletic Training Facility
- Recycling and trash containers around campus

Booster Group Support

$25,000 in grants distributed to:

- Athletics • Music • Drama • Dance

College Scholarships

- $20,000 awarded to 7 graduating SMHS seniors enrolling in four year colleges

Your support makes SMHS stronger. Thank you for investing in our Bearcats!