



SCHOOL INFORMATION	
School Name	<u>Spence Elementary</u>
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Number of Students	<u>400</u>

NEEDS IDENTIFIED BY SCHOOL		COMMITMENTS BY BUSINESS/ORG
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hold a food drive for school food pantry, or winter clothing drive	
	<p><u>We have monthly food pantry distributions for approximately 35-40 families. Items are needed in increments of 40 if possible.</u></p> <p><u>We also put a certificate into each distribution for a student to come and pick out a book to take home for their personal library. Funds for this would be helpful or new books at various reading levels.</u></p>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Help with beautification projects at the school.	
	<p><u>Our school garden is in need of high quality mulch to help with the weed control. This will aid in not only beautification but also will reduce the amount of volunteer hours needed for weeding a 6,000 sq. ft area.</u></p> <p><u>We are also looking for volunteers to help with watering in the summer.</u></p>	

X	Donate to the school Random Acts of Kindness (RAK) Fund to help needy students with school supplies, clothing or food.	
	<u>Currently we have families that are unable to get their students to school at times due to some family hardships and taxi rides are needed in crisis situations. Total school RAK funding in 2017-18 was \$1,096.</u>	
X	Sponsor PTO or other school events.	
	<u>Our PTO conducts a yearly Fun Run in the fall to raise money. In addition, we do a read-a-thon on Read Across America Day in March. Incentives for students to participate would be helpful.</u> <u>We will be partnering with La Crosse County to deliver parenting classes in Jan/Feb/March. We will be serving a meal each week (9 weeks) for families that attend. Funds to help pay for meals or ingredients would be helpful.</u>	
X	Assist with other school fundraising; or collect Box Tops for Education or Kwik Trip Moola caps or similar incentives.	
	<u>We collect Box tops, Milk Moola and aluminum cans.</u>	
X	Provide volunteers to help at family/community engagement events.	
	<u>Help with childcare at our Trauma Informed Parenting classes in January, February and March.</u>	
	Donate office or school supplies.	
X	Provide snacks – especially fresh fruit or healthy snacks – for use in the classroom.	
X	Provide volunteers to read to students from time to time.	
	<u>We have started a volunteer reading program. We are looking for volunteers to read 30-60 minutes a week with children on a consistent basis.</u>	
X	Provide volunteers to be trained to work as tutors through the District & United Way “Read to Success” program at certain schools.	

X	Donate funds to buy books for students to take home and keep through "Read to Success" or other give-away programs.	
X	Donate funds toward the purchase of equipment and materials; or provide funds for school field trips.	
	<u>Helping to fund the replacement of balls and sleds for recess would be helpful. This costs us approximately \$500 a year.</u>	
X	Provide small recognition gifts, such as restaurant or store gift cards, for teachers; or sponsor gift cards/awards for student incentives; or provide tickets for student use to local cultural and sporting events.	
	<u>School funds are not allowed to be used to show staff appreciation. This has to come out of personal funds. It is great to be able to acknowledge staff going above and beyond. \$5-10 gift cards to local restaurants near to Spence (Java, Jimmy Johns, BA Burrito) are great for staff to grab lunch or have it delivered.</u>	
	OTHER NEEDS, such as job shadowing opportunities, tours of your business, classroom speakers, etc.	
	Provide volunteers for on-site mentoring for students, including as a breakfast or lunch buddy.	
X	Facilitate a lunch-time or after-school club to satisfy the interests of students.	
	<u>We currently have an After School Youth Development program that meets from 2:45-4:30 one time a week for 6 weeks (we run 3 sessions). If someone was interested in teaching a skill or hobby that would expose students to new opportunities.</u>	
X	Other Needs	
	<u>Helping to purchase the following: * Scholastic News for classrooms</u>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* <u>Newsela - online articles that differentiate by adjusting the reading level.</u></li><li>* <u>Social and Emotional Learning resources</u></li><li>* <u>Help with our school garden - need to purchase mulch and would like a hoop house.</u></li></ul>	
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