

Dear Parents,

We are excited to start another great year teaching your child about the wonderful world around them through their science class! We are dedicated to bringing them the best experiences possible to get them excited about science and learning the critical thinking skills that go with such pursuits.



Each year the cost of meeting the needs of our science students grows by leaps and bounds. This is a regrettable circumstance in a time when your child has a greater need than ever to understand the world around him/her. The State of Florida and Orange County Public School fund our science programs, but not to the level necessary to provide our students with the optimum laboratory and experimental opportunities. Research has shown students need hand-on activities to succeed in science. Therefore, we would like to ask you to please consider giving a donation to the Dr. Phillips High School Science Department. We would use your donation for such things as purchasing specimens for our life science classes, purchasing chemicals for our chemistry classes, covering glass or equipment breakage (e.g., beakers, microscope slides, microscope repair), and adding equipment to reduce the number of students sharing equipment during labs in all our science classes.

Donations may be in any amount, although \$20 is the recommended amount, and can be paid two different ways. You can have your child bring in cash or check (made out to Dr. Phillips High School) to their science teacher and your child will get a receipt in return. If paying this way, please fill out the bottom portion of the letter and turn it in with your payment to your child's science teacher. Or you can pay through OCPS School Pay program. This program is found on the Dr. Phillips High School website where you will find a link for science donations. Then a drop down link to your child's science teacher. All money that is collected is used to purchase science materials throughout the school year and stays in their science class.

We greatly appreciate your support of hands-on science education!

Thank you.

DPHS Science Department

STUDENT NAME: _____

DONATION AMOUNT: \$ _____

IF CHECK, ENTER CHECK # _____ OR CASH _____

MAKE CHECK TO: DPHS and please write "SCIENCE DEPT" in the memo.
Questions? Contact Jennifer Downs, Science Coach, 407-355-3294 or email:
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