

January 24, 2012

Parents,

As many of you are aware, the American Montessori Society is hosting its Annual National Conference from March 15 – March 18 in San Francisco.

This is the premier opportunity for our wonderful Montessori teachers to attend educational workshops, hear from outstanding leaders in Montessori education, learn about the latest brain research, and exchange ideas with fellow Montessorians from across the world.

This year's conference offers a unique chance for our teachers to attend because it is right here in San Francisco (the conference is held in different parts of the country so it is usually too costly for our teachers to pay for travel, hotel, and registration expenses).

Through the generous donations from our last auction, we raised some money for a few teachers to go, but we have 15 teachers (!) who would like to attend the March conference and are unable to pay the full conference registration fee, which is \$385 for members and \$455 for non-members.

We are urging all of our parents to consider making a donation to this very important scholarship fund. Our teachers, like our children, are lifelong learners and the more they learn, the better equipped and prepared they are to teach our children.

PLEASE CONSIDER A GENEROUS DONATION AS AN INVESTMENT OF YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE. Checks can be made to "North Shoreview Montessori PTA". All donations are tax-deductible. Please bring them to the school office or return them in your child's Thursday envelope.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Moore, NSM Parent and American Montessori Society Board Member
Petra Silton, NSM Parent and PTA President