

# Celebrate Your Child's Education

Welcome back! We're very excited about the new school year and can't wait to share with you our plans for fun activities, programs, and events that celebrate your child's education. We look forward to seeing new and familiar faces. Come join us!

Our many programs and activities support our goals to:

- Increase participation
- Promote community support
- Build closer relations between home and school
- Advocate collaboration
- Enhance parental development
- Raise funds for student needs

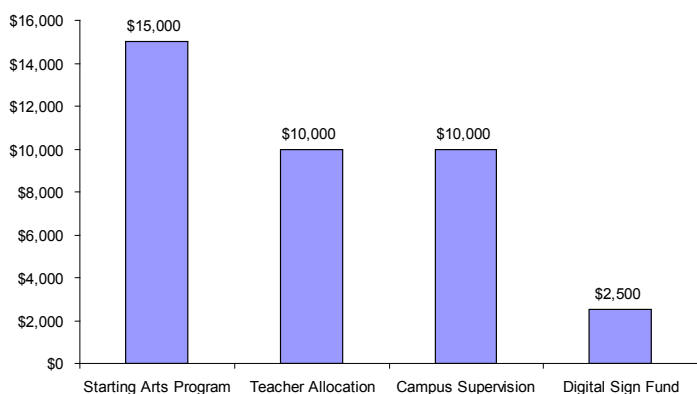
To accomplish these goals, we're introducing a new program called **2 Hour Power** that emphasizes that all help, *any help*, makes a huge difference for your student. Learn more and participate now by visiting our website at <http://dcscopmanager.com>

We will also raise much-needed funds for specific school needs: arts, technology, campus safety, classroom activities and supplies, and reading. Please help us by supporting our programs listed on page 2 of this newsletter and/or participating in our fundraising events.

By being involved, you play a key role in helping students perform better on important school measures. Together, we can make a huge difference for your child at Don Callejon School while having fun and enjoying great company!

Roger Ramirez  
DCSCO President

## Allocation of Fundraising from 2007-08



Money raised in 2007-2008 was allocated for funding the school's needs in 2008-2009. Per the school's request, the above areas will be funded. Some money will be pulled from DCSCO's discretionary fund to fulfill the total allocation amount of \$37,500.

For more detailed financial information visit [www.dcsc.org](http://www.dcsc.org)



**Don Callejon  
Volunteer  
Pledge Program**  
from DCSCO

**Learn More & Pledge Now!**  
<http://dcscopmanager.com/>

## Top 5 Reasons to Get Involved

1. Your child benefits.
2. **Membership is FREE!**
3. We pledge to honor your time constraints.
4. We make a difference.
5. Meet nice people who share your concerns.



## Important Dates

Back To School Night.....	Sept. 3, 2008
Santa Clara Art & Wine Festival.....	Sept. 13-14, 2008
Family Movie Night.....	Sept. 26, 2008
DCSCO General Meeting.....	Oct. 8, 2008
Walk-A-Thon.....	Oct. 24, 2008
International Night.....	Nov. 14, 2008
Private Auction.....	Dec. 5, 2008
Winter Concert.....	Dec. 17, 2008
DCSCO General Meeting.....	Jan. 14, 2009
DCSCO General Meeting.....	Feb. 11, 2009
Magician Night.....	Mar. 13, 2009
Spring Concert.....	Apr. 8, 2009
Golf Tournament.....	Apr. 17, 2009
Human Race.....	May 9, 2009
Open House.....	May 13, 2009
Spring Fling.....	May 16, 2009



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DCSCO - striving to provide: Community Support, Closer Relations between Home and School, Promoting Collaboration, Fundraising, Advocacy through Communication and Participation, and Recognizing and Supporting Children's Needs for the Don Callejon School Community.

# Ways to Support Don Callejon School

## eScrip - Register Today!



eScrip is a hassle-free way for schools to raise funds through everyday purchases made at eScrip merchants.

Register your grocery club cards from a participating merchant like Safeway -- and your debit, ATM, and credit cards. That's it! Last year, Don Callejon received \$4,400.00 with only 59 people participating.

Log on to [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com) and go to "sign up"  
Our Group ID is #500001527

## Amazon Associate Program



We're excited to introduce the Amazon Associate Program for Don Callejon on [www.dcsco.org](http://www.dcsco.org)! Use the search box to search for an item you're planning to buy on Amazon.com and your purchases can earn up to 15% in referral fees for our school.

## Engraved Brick Pavers

Become part of Don Callejon's past and future by engraving a personal message with your name on a brick paver. Pavers will be available for purchase at the DCSCO table on Back-to-School Night. Sponsorship levels are \$200 for individuals and \$400 for individual or business/corporate sponsors. Don't forget to bring a check.

## DCSCO Rewards Program

This year we're starting an exciting new program that partners local businesses, parents, and DCSCO! We'll be providing you with access to coupons, web-based specials, events and many other exclusive rewards from area retailers, service providers, and real estate agents that will help us fund vital school programs. For more information, contact Michelle Guzman ([michelle.guzman@dcsco.org](mailto:michelle.guzman@dcsco.org)) or [www.dcsco.org](http://www.dcsco.org)

## Matching Programs

Many employers in the area have programs that match dollar for dollar any donations you make to DCSCO. Some employers pay DCSCO for every hour you volunteer at the school. We can work with you on the paperwork and direct the donation to an area of your choosing. If you're not sure if your employer has a program please ask your employer, check our list at [www.dcsco.org](http://www.dcsco.org), or contact Michelle Guzman ([michelle.guzman@dcsco.org](mailto:michelle.guzman@dcsco.org)).

## Have questions about DCSCO?

Visit us at [www.dcsco.org](http://www.dcsco.org)  
or send us an email at  
[volunteer@dcsco.org](mailto:volunteer@dcsco.org)

## BACK TO SCHOOL CHECKLIST

- FIRST STEPS**
  - Call the school district with questions
  - Find out what day and time classes start
  - Fill out emergency contact sheets and any other forms
- CHECK MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS**
- STOCK UP ON SCHOOL SUPPLIES**
- LEARN ABOUT THE SCHOOL**
- PLAN TO BE INVOLVED**
  - Fill out a volunteer form <http://dcsco.ptomanager.com/>
- PLAN HEALTHY MEALS**
  - Have nutritious food on hand for snacks
  - Find out how much school meals cost
  - Alert school staff if your child has a severe food allergy
- ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION**
  - Practice getting to school with your child
  - BY BUS: Make sure they know where and when to be picked up before and after school
  - BY BICYCLE: Review road safety and wear a helmet
  - ON FOOT: Walk the route together and review pedestrian safety guidelines
- MAKE AFTER-SCHOOL PLANS**
  - Arrange child care or after-school activities
  - Choose extracurricular activities carefully to avoid overscheduling
  - Make sure your child knows where to go after school each day
- HELP YOUR CHILD PREPARE FOR SCHOOL**
  - Discuss your child's feelings about starting school and talk over any concerns
  - Have your child memorize your home address and home and work phone numbers
  - Tour the school with your child so they can find her classrooms, the restrooms, and the cafeteria
- LAY THE GROUND RULES**
  - Establish a firm bedtime before school starts
  - Determine where/when your child will do homework
  - Plan for balancing homework and play time
  - Set rules for the time spent on TV, video games, and computer use for non-school projects

Download a more comprehensive list and other helpful tips at: [www.dcsco.org](http://www.dcsco.org)

