

*Celebrating 50 years of Excellence*  
1969-2019



**ARNETT C. LINES**  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
BARRINGTON, ILLINOIS

**Lines Elementary School PTO- 50th Anniversary Fundraiser**  
**Powered by Play!**

In fall 2018 the Barrington School District sent out a report to the school PTOs with detailed ratings for all of the playgrounds in the district. The current Lines playground received a "poor" rating and is currently the worst rated playground in the district. (the only school in the district with a playground rated worse had the playground equipment removed last fall.) Our current playground equipment was installed in 1999 with a 15 year life expectancy. It was also unfortunately designed without our youngest students in mind and doesn't cater to students with special needs. As we cruise into the 20th year of the playground, there is plenty of visible wear and tear on the equipment, and as we move forward, the playground is only expected to continue to deteriorate.

The Lines PTO will be moving forward with replacing the playground equipment especially as we celebrate the Lines 50th anniversary in the 2019/2020 school year! We know that play and activity is an important part of our students' social and emotional development in elementary school. In fact, research shows recess helps them ultimately learn better in school. Recess time has been championed as a way to help combat the nation's childhood obesity problem. Studies also have shown that the free-play that comes with recess is crucial to a child's cognitive, social and emotional development. Our vision is to create an inclusive playground that inspires plenty of active play, sparks joy and cultivates friendships across all grade levels, abilities and interests. This is no small task, but one we believe will benefit the children at our school and in our community for many years to come!

In pursuit of this cause, the Arnett C. Lines Elementary School PTO is hosting a fundraiser which coincides with the celebration of our 50th year! We encourage you to support our playground replacement initiative at Lines School. Our event will host up to 500 people, which means by participating, your exposure to the community is vast. The fundraiser will feature a silent auction, live auction, and various raffles. We are in need of wonderful items, gift certificates or "experiences" your organization can provide.

As a donor, you will be named in pre and post event information including our e-newsletter, website and PR for the fundraiser. We will also remind our families to support your company and to utilize your goods and services, since you have generously supported our school and its children.

All proceeds from the event will be used to directly enhance the physical, educational, and social environment at our school. We hope you will be interested in becoming a donor. Someone from our committee can schedule a pickup of an item/gift certificate, or it can be mailed to the school or address below. Donating privately or anonymously is an option as well, should you prefer.

Please know that we are thankful for all your company does and we look forward to hearing from you. Feel free to contact us with any questions. For your reference our tax id # is 36-3966194.

Warmest regards and appreciation,

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