

**MADISON-MORGAN
COUNTY
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

History of Partners in Education

In November 1997, the Education Committee of the Madison-Morgan County Chamber of Commerce began an effort to revitalize and restructure **its** program. Through this effort

the Partners in Education program was formed with a new mission that reflected the committee's commitment to supporting quality education for all students in the Morgan County School System.



A major goal is to help ensure that **all Morgan County** students are prepared to pursue life in society, the world of work and post secondary education.



Preparing **our students to pursue life in society, the world of work and post- secondary education.**

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WHAT IS PARTNERS IN EDUCATION?

The *Partners in Education* program, or PIE, is a voluntary relationship between community businesses and institutional organizations who partner with the Morgan County School System. The program meets the educational needs of children by enhancing school programs and providing students with a real world perspective in the subjects they study in school. Business-sponsored activities such as tours, displays at schools, speakers and special events, assist students in applying what they learn to everyday life experiences.

OUR MISSION

To build an alliance and a mutually beneficial relationship between the Chamber of Commerce, Morgan County Schools, the business community and the community at large that will aid in providing quality education to all students in the Morgan County School System.

Partnership Opportunities

Tutor/Mentor Partners: Reinforce instruction, motivate and guide students, provide role models, and instill confidence in young people. *School based Mentoring Program*

Co-Op Partners: Permit practical on-the-job experiences for students at supervised training sites; provide an extension to the actual instructional program. *Job Shadowing Program, Dress for Success and Annual Retiring Teacher's Luncheon.*

Resource Partners: Donate supplies and surplus equipment to schools; provide technical assistance, facilities

BENEFITS OF BEING A PARTNER

Benefits to Schools

- Business expertise and technical assistance
- Awareness of skills needed and required by employers
- Adult role models with knowledge not traditionally available in the classroom
- School staff morale boosted by business, organization and institution support

Benefits to Business/Organization/Institution

- Partnership in the education of our community's children
- Direct communication with schools to assist them in identifying and teaching appropriate job skills
- Input in the development of programs geared towards the local job market and economic development



What Partners Can Do For Schools

- Provide Career Information
- Encourage employees to volunteer in schools
- Work with schools in course and curriculum development
- Provide recognition for outstanding teachers and students

What Schools Can Do For Partners

- Provide choral, **drama**, **artwork**, or band groups for partner functions
- Recognize partner in school publications
- Provide complimentary tickets to school activities
- Assist partner with community service projects

LEVELS OF PARTNERSHIP

Summa Cum Laude- \$100.00

- Listing in all *Partners in Education* printed material
- One free admission to the MCHS 2009 Spring Musical
- One free pass for MCHS 2009 Spring Sports
- Sponsorship of Annual Retiring Teachers' Luncheon

Magna Cum Laude- \$50.00

- Listing in all *Partners in Education* printed material
- Access to Morgan County student groups for performances, volunteer activities
- Sponsorship of Annual Retiring Teachers' Luncheon

Cum Laude- \$25.00

- Listing in all *Partners in Education* printed material
- Access to Morgan County student groups for performances, volunteer activities.



BECOME A PARTNER NOW!!

Name _____

Company Name _____

Level of Partnership (circle one) \$100 \$50 \$25

Email Address _____

