



# CORONADO MIDDLE SCHOOL

*"Tradition of Excellence"*

March 5, 2017

Friends and Supporters:

On April 28th, 2017, CUSD and the CMS PTO are planning a fundraiser for the Best Buddies CUSD chapters. We would like to request your support for this fundraiser happening at the Aaron Chang Ocean Art Gallery in downtown San Diego.

Best Buddies is an organization whose purpose is to provide social mentoring, leadership opportunities, and one-to-one friendships for students with special needs. Our goals are to weekly create opportunities in which special education students and neurotypical peers can both interact in fun, meaningful activities, including community-based instructional activities where functional skills curriculum is taught and learned firsthand. Best Buddies began last year on the CMS campus and has doubled in size since last year. Best Buddies helps students with special needs gain new social skills, increase their expressive/receptive communication skills, and provides opportunities for special needs kids to have social experiences with regular education peers after school.

Best Buddies operates on an annual budget that is self-generated through fundraising. The money used to sponsor Best Buddies activities is raised through fundraising events. All money raised will go to provide funds necessary to continue the Best Buddies programs at CUSD.

As a thank you for your donation, we will acknowledge you during our event and add your business name to our press release after the event. Your donation is tax-deductible. Tax ID# 75-2978909

If you have any questions feel free to contact Jeremy Handysides at [jeremy.Handysides@coronadousd.net](mailto:jeremy.Handysides@coronadousd.net)

We look forward to partnering with you for this event and thank you for your generous support.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Handysides

Ed. Specialist Moderate-Severe Disabilities

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Service/Items Donated: \_\_\_\_\_ Value: \_\_\_\_\_

This can also serve as a donation receipt.