

March 29, 2017

Dear friends of the Seed,

In 1977, a small school was born in the garage of a Tempe home. That first tiny group of nine students has grown into a thriving, innovative school serving thousands of children and families throughout the Phoenix area for the past 40 years. Over the years, Awakening Seed has remained true to its original mission of cultivating planetary stewardship, world peace, and social justice. To celebrate the Seed's 40 years, we're planning a celebration on Saturday, April 22, which, appropriately, is also Earth Day. The event will include our spring picnic, Seed art silent auction, as well as a number of other fundraising activities to support our new sign campaign. (see schedule below)

Sign Campaign

While maintaining our commitment to the Seed mission, the school continues to evolve in response to the times. As we fiercely protect the sacredness of childhood through play in the natural world, we also strive to prepare our students for the technological future they will inhabit. With that in mind, a year ago we developed a new website for the school that accurately portrays who we are. In that same spirit, we are in the process of creating a new sign that equally expresses the Seed's interplay between nature and technology. To make this happen, we need to raise \$25,000. We need your help.

How You Can Help

There are several ways you can support our campaign:

- Attend our 40th celebration on April 22.
- Purchase a commemorative brick for our playground pathway (http://www.awakeningseedschool.org/calendar/40thanniversary-earth-day-picnic/seed-brick-campaign-form/)
- Make a donation to the Seed on our website and designate the funds to the sign campaign (http://www.awakeningseedschool.org/donate/)
- Send a check to Awakening Seed School @ 6630 S. 40th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85042. The Seed is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, so all contributions are tax deductible.

Tell A Friend

Please help the Seed by passing this on to any and all Seed friends. We are hoping for a big turnout for the celebration and we'd love to have you be a part of it. Please call the school or send an email if you have any questions.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS*fundraising activities

7:30 AM	Earth Day hike @ South Mt
11:00 AM	potluck picnic
	music
	games
	video recording Seed stories
	photo booth *
	silent auction*
	mural painting*
	brick fundraiser*
	t-shirts*
	petting zoo* (12:30-2)
11:30 AM	Free Little Library dedication
12:00 PM	guest speakers
	Earth Day/birthdaydedication
1:00 PM	silent auction bidding closes
2:00 PM	picnic ends