

# January Newsletter from PTSA

**Headline: Have a Heart for Hickman? Help PTSA buy a new stage for our school**

Subhead: \$10 per student will make it happen

New Year's resolutions. Love them or hate them, at heart they always are an attempt to do something positive in your life or the lives of others.

**The Hickman PTSA made a New Year's Resolution: to buy a mobile stage, two adjoining staircases and 300 chairs for all-school assemblies in the new gym for our Kewpies present and future.**

You can make this happen.

The "Heart for Hickman" campaign, which raises money for the stage project, runs through February. Right now, PTSA has \$10,500 to spend on the project. The total cost is \$25,643. If \$10 is donated for every student at Hickman, we can meet the goal and be able to buy stage skirting, too. Any and all donations are welcome.

Why does Hickman need a mobile stage and why should you help?

## **DID YOU KNOW ...**

- This is that this is the first year in more than 30 that all Hickman students have been able to gather together in one indoor space for an all-school assembly? The student body was too large before Battle High was built, and no space was large enough before the new gym was added.
- That Hickman is the only public high school in Columbia that does not have a dedicated space for an indoor all-school assembly?
- That the auditorium will be closed in April for renovations? This means HHS students will have no place to celebrate awards, concerts, memories – their own - at the end of the year without this stage.
- That hosting one assembly for all students instead of two gives our kids more class time?
- That students feel more connected, more community, more KEWPIE PRIDE when they can all be together and share the same energy and excitement?
- That athletes and cheerleaders will work the crowd into a frenzy from this stage at pep rallies?

- That the band will pump the crowd up from this stage at pep rallies?
- That the spotlight will shine on academic teams and Science Olympians on this stage?
- That the drama department will entertain with play cuts here?
- That this stage will be an important part of your child's high school experience?
- That this stage will be an important part of Hickman's future?
- That no one cares more about or wants more for your Kewpie than you?

**Please have a "Heart for Hickman."** Drop your tax-deductible donation off at in Hickman's main office or mail it to:

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1104 N. Providence Road  
Columbia, MO 65203

If you have any questions, please give me a call. I'm always ready to listen or help a member of my Hickman family.

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Item	Price per Unit	Number of Units Needed	Total Projected Cost
8-foot x 4-foot x 32-inch polypropylene stage section on wheels	\$1,759.95	9	\$15,839.55
Stage skirts	\$19.95	9	\$179.55
Chairs	\$28.98	300	\$8,694.00
Staircases	\$554.95	2	\$1,109.90
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$25,823.00</b>