

Palm Harbor University High School
Science Department

Dear Parents,

The science department at Palm Harbor University High School strives to provide your child with many opportunities for hands-on learning experiences which will develop critical thinking and problem solving skills.

We at Palm Harbor are fortunate to have been equipped with a variety of scientific equipment and supplies which will service our students for many years to come. Activities such as laboratory experiments and demonstrations, however, require many consumable items. Each year Biology students perform dissections requiring a variety of expensive specimens. Advanced Biology students perform research in recombinant DNA, ELISA, (antibody) testing and chromatography. AP Environmental Science students conduct tests on soil and water quality, atmospheric pollutants' effects, and the composition of plastics.

Anatomy and physiology students will study the anatomy of expensive animal specimens. Our Marine Biology students will be investigating the delicate relationships of a marine biome by maintaining saltwater aquariums. Chemistry students investigate many chemical reactions and perform experiments which consume many expensive chemicals.

As you can see, each year students enrolled in Biology, Anatomy & Physiology, Marine Biology, Environmental Science, and Chemistry use large amounts of consumable supplies. To offset the high cost of consumable supplies from the Science Department budget, we would greatly appreciate any small donation you feel is appropriate. We will gladly accept checks made out to PHUHS Science Fund, or even household items such as paper towels, antibacterial soap, tissues, or spray cleaners.

Please understand that you are under no obligation to make any donation. Your child's grade cannot be affected in any way. The science department truly appreciates your generosity and concern for the future of our students. It is through the collective efforts and concern of individuals, such as yourself, that our school will continue to grow to provide the best education for our children.

Sincerely,

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