## ASSISTANTS FOR CLASSROOM TEACHERS PES ACT, INC.

Dear Families:

Welcome Back! And to our new students, welcome to our Palmetto family!

PES ACT (Assistance for Classroom Teachers) is a parent-funded nonprofit organization established to fund positions that enrich and enhance academics at Palmetto Elementary. This added help makes a difference! Due to the uniqueness of this school year, ACT is more important than ever before.

This year, ACT funds will be used to fund additional personnel at Palmetto Elementary. This could mean hiring paraprofessionals to serve as teaching assistants who can assist with small groups and break-out sessions where needed, whether the children are in virtual or schoolhouse model. Additionally, this could mean hiring interventionists to assist classroom teachers in math and reading in both the virtual and schoolhouse classroom. Our teachers have more responsibilities than ever before in an environment that is changing daily due to the COVID-19 crisis. ACT is a means for parents to assist them as they work to provide the best learning environment for our children.

Our goal is to raise \$50,000 in parent donations. While any amount is welcome, a \$250 donation per child is recommended. PES ACT, Inc, is a 501(c)(3) organization and your contribution is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. You will receive a donation letter from ACT acknowledging your contribution.

Help us keep Palmetto the A school that it is and make your donation today! For your convenience, you can make your donation via venmo or by credit card. For venmo, please venmo @PalmettoACT. If you would like to make a credit card donation, please text Nina Gomez at 786.683.7992. For all donations, please include your child's name, grade, and teacher. If you would like to arrange a different form of payment, please email us at palmettoACT@gmail.com.

You can also raise money for ACT by shopping on Amazon Smile. Select "pes act" as your charity and you will generate donations just by shopping! And, download the "Box Top\$ For Education" app and select Palmetto Elementary School to effortlessly donate additional funds to PES ACT, Inc.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Shara Pelz at 305.213.0104 or email us at palmettoACT@gmail.com.

Thank you for taking ACT-ion,

Your 2020-2021 Palmetto Elementary ACT Committee

Joanna Beraha (Caroline –2nd grade Emmy –4th grade) Adi Hedges (Reagan –2nd grade, Grant –4th grade) Nina Gomez (Charlotte –1st grade, Austin –4th grade) Shara Pelz – (Nate –4th grade)

