Hello Parents,

Thank you for your support of STEAM Middle School and the investments you make in your children's lives. We're so excited to introduce you to this semester's major fundraiser, the **Apex Color Battle**! We are so pumped to be able to host this two week program starting Monday January 13th, with our big event day on **Friday January 24**th.

We kick off our Color Battle fundraiser next week with a fun-packed Launch Meetings and each student will receive an **Access Code Sheet** to enter and track donations online. Students are challenged to get donations over the next 2 weeks from family and friends to help our school. **Funds raised this year will be used to purchase new collaborative furniture for our students.** We'll end the 2 week fundraiser with a celebratory Color Battle event for students who participate in the fundraiser (lots of colored powder, participant t-shirts, music, high energy, and FUN!).

How the Color Battle fundraiser works: Logon to anython.com using your student's access code found on their Access Code Sheet and enter and pay donations online. This is the preferred method. Or, for those that don't want to pay online, please send cash or check to the school no later than Thursday January 23rd and the donation will be manually entered into the Anython system so your child receives credit for it. All checks should be made payable to: STEAM Middle School. Students must raise a minimum of \$30 in total donations in order to participate in the Color Battle event.

Students will also earn thank you gifts (prizes) for donations received, which includes a Color Battle t-shirt and color packet to use at the event. Students that raise above the \$30 minimum will have opportunities to receive a drawstring backpack, a Bluetooth speaker or even a drone! **Refer to your student's Access Code Sheet for the different prize levels offered.** In addition, we'll be announcing fun daily challenges with prizes for the class that raises the most each day.

You can help make our Color Battle fundraiser successful by connecting your student to potential donors (family/friends) to acquire donations. The easiest way is to use the "Share Wizard" feature on your child's donation page at anython.com. Using the Share Wizard, you can send a link to your child's donation page via text message, email, Facebook and Twitter.

Thank you again for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Mr. Chappotin, Principal

Disclaimer/Release of Liability: The Color Battle activities will involve running and other forms of exercise that may be physically exerting. Students will also be dusted with color powder. If your child has preexisting conditions such as heart conditions, allergies, asthma, immune disorders, susceptibility to bleeding or broken bones, or other illnesses or conditions that require limited physical exertion, please consult with your doctor before allowing your child to participate. If parents or guardians allow their student to participate, you are representing and warranting that your child is healthy enough to participate safely in the activities and you agree to hold Anython and the School harmless for any possible accident or injury. You are also agreeing that you are assuming all responsibility for your child's clothing and shoes during the activity.

Color Powder: The color powder used during the Color Battle is non-toxic and biodegradable. All materials are FD&C grade, made from **cornstarch** and food-safe coloring. Color powder may stain clothing. If your child is participating, please have them wear old shoes and bottoms that are ok if they get stained and bring a change of clothing for after the event.