



ULIS NEWTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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2026-2027 School Year

Dear Community Member,

Ulis Newton Elementary School located in historic Henderson, NV is in need of support for our students and teachers for the 2026-2027 school year. Newton ES is currently working to support our students to **reach proficiency in Math and Reading**. Therefore, we are in need of support to purchase additional Reading and Math programs including Lexia, iReady Math, Reading & Math Centers, and Standards Plus. Each of these curriculum programs are intended for extension and remediation for students at all grade levels. If you are able to contribute any amount of funding towards these programs, we are extremely grateful.

Another area of need is our **social emotional goals**. Students earn “Cosmo Cash” when they behave in accordance with the *7 Habits of Effective People* as part of our Leader in Me program. Students are working to (1) Be proactive, (2) Begin with the end in mind, (3) Put first things first, (4) Think Win Win, (5) Seek first to understand, (6) Synergize/work together, and (7) Sharpen the saw of their mind and body. We are asking for any goods such as games, toys, foods/candy that you are willing to donate for us to stock our Cosmo Store and our Cosmo Cave, which are all incentives for students to work hard and celebrate their successes both academically and socially.

This year we are continuing to navigate a decrease in budget. Therefore, we are working to raise funds for **Tutoring and After School Clubs**. We see a need for our students to fill in gaps and grow in their learning in reading, math, science, technology, art, and social emotionally! We work to fundraise to pay our teachers for their extra time and to offer fun events for students and families including Choir, Art, Drone Club, Lego Club, Newspaper Club, Tutoring in Math/Reading, Cheer, Girls and Boys on the Run-Running Club, and more!

We have been excited to get a **Book Vending Machine** and we need any and all donations of new, high interest books and funding for new books to stock our book machine. If you are able to support us in donating books or funding to purchase new, high interest books for our students, then our students will continue to grow as readers and critical thinkers. We currently have **only 60%** of our student population on grade level for Reading. Therefore, we are constantly seeking new ways to support our students.

Finally, we have a goal for a **reading center and zen den** for both our students and staff. If you can donate any (new or lightly used) furniture, resources, or environmentally friendly items for calming spaces for students and staff, then we can create these reading and calming sensory spaces for our school.



We appreciate your time and consideration. If you have any questions, please reach out to us!

In summary, our areas of need are:

Please check any of the areas you might be able to support our Newton students and staff:

- Funding for Curriculum Programs
 - Lexia (Reading)
 - iReady Math
 - Reading Center Materials
 - Math Center Materials
 - Standards Plus (Reading/Math)
- Donations for Cosmo Cave & Cosmo Store
 - Student toys
 - Candy
 - Games
- Donations for Sensory Spaces & Zen Den
 - Furniture
 - Calming Decor
- Books for the Vending Machine
 - Donate new/lightly used, high interest books
 - Funding to purchase new, high interest books
- Tutoring & After School Programs
 - Funding for after school clubs and tutoring
 - Music Supplies/Resources
 - Art Supplies/Resources
 - Technology Supplies/Resources
 - Newspaper Supplies/Resources
- Other:

Thank you,

Newton Elementary Community

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