

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

This year at MPE, the Week of Respect is being called, "Sole Swap", as we learn about what it means to "put ourselves in someone else's shoes". We are so excited to partner with Soles4Souls to not only help those in need, but to also give the students the opportunity to feel great about helping others. We will be collecting shoes from October 1st- October 12th at MPE. You may send in a pair of shoes with your child as many times as you want throughout the two weeks. Here is some information about the shoe drive, but please feel free to reach out to me for any more questions. You can also check out their website, www.soles4souls.org, for more information.

- When is the shoe drive?
 - October 1st through October 12th
- What kind of shoes can I send in?
 - Soles4Souls accepts all types of shoes: athletic, running, dress, sandals, pumps, heels, work boots, cleats, dance, flip flops etc.
 - We prefer the condition of the shoe to be new or gently worn. The small percentage of shoes that we receive that cannot be utilized will be recycled.
- Do they take half pairs?
 - Yes, they take half pairs in hopes of finding a match one day.
- How should I keep the shoes together?
 - Please please please tie the pair of shoe laces together or put a rubberband around the pair. If the shoe involves a strap, please make a loop and buckle them together.
- How do you determine where my shoes will be distributed?
 - Once donated shoes arrive at the facility, the shoes are sorted by style, quality, and season. Naturally, the warm and cold climate shoes are distributed in regions that are very appropriate for those types of shoes.

Thank you for partnering with us to make a difference in the community and to foster empathy and compassion in the students of MPE.

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