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Thank you for your consideration in making a donation to the Cooperative Preschool's 2015 Auction. The Cooperative Preschool is currently in its 47th year of operation. It is a school run by families for young children. Tuition is low, because of the cooperative nature of the school which allows a diverse population to benefit from its educational and community opportunities. The school is also accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and has been for the last 17 years. This is considered the highest mark of quality in the industry. We are one of 5 schools in Boise to carry this accreditation.

The Cooperative Preschool Auction will raise money for some important elements of our school. This year's proceeds from the Auction will help fund:

- A New Home. The Cooperative Preschool is currently in the process of raising funds to purchase a modular building to be placed at our new location on the Boise Bench. This will be the first time that the school has owned its own space and we are so incredibly excited about our move and our future! Funding for the project will ensure our historical school has a secure future in Boise.
- Scholarships. The Cooperative Preschool offers anywhere from 3-6 scholarships a year based on fundraising efforts. This allows parents to pay what they can afford for high quality early childhood education.
- Professional Development. The Cooperative Preschool is dedicated to quality. We provide our teachers with both local and national professional development experiences so that they can stay connected with the research and innovations in early childhood education.
- Field Trips. Being a part of the community is part of our curriculum, but field trips to museums and events can be expensive and more than many parents can afford to pay on top of tuition.
- Special Projects. Our curriculum follows the interests of the children coupled with opportunities in the community. Often we have the chance to create a large project for the children, for example, creating a mosaic with tiles after the class became interested in a famous piece of art from a museum. Or, we might have the opportunity to bring in a dance or music professional occasionally. These projects are often outside of our operating budget but provide children with rich learning opportunities.

The Cooperative Preschool is a 501c3 organization (EIN: 82-0422183). All donations are tax deductible. Thank you so much for your consideration. A donation to The Cooperative Preschool is a donation that supports the concept of family, children and education in our community.

Best,

Anne Cirillo, Director