

*Innovation Academy Families and Staff,*

*My name is Asha O'Shea and I have had the pleasure and honor to be a part of our school's very first PTO board as the VP of Fundraising. I feel we had a wonderfully successful 1<sup>st</sup> year raising funds for our teachers, staff and students and look forward to continuing our success.*

*In the upcoming year I would like to focus on maintaining Corporate Sponsor relationships while obtaining new partnerships within the community and our Innovation Academy Family.*

*My goal is to surpass the monies raised this year and direct efforts to building events and traditions for our school community as well as outside our campus walls. I would love to incorporate kindness events to spread our schools pride and kindness initiative throughout the Tucson area.*

*I anticipate a fun-filled upcoming year building on our momentum and creating new traditions for our future Innovation Academy families.*

*Thank you for your consideration.*

*Asha O'Shea*

*Dear Innovation Families,*

*My name is Christina Berndt, and I have two children currently attending IA and two more coming soon. If I did my math right, I will be a proud IA parent until at least the year 2027! I am wholeheartedly invested in making IA amazing, and have had the pleasure of serving on the current year's Board as the VP of Volunteers. This year has been rewarding and challenging, as we built a PTO from the ground up, and I hope to continue to dedicate myself to the PTO and the school as a whole.*

*This year I have seen the amazing potential our community has for giving and fundraising, and can't wait to help raise even more funds for our Teachers and Staff! I have many years of fundraising*

*experience, being involved in other organizations, but being able to help raise money to be used right here at IA has been the best. Our staff and Teacher's deserve every ounce of support we can give them, and I love that our PTO is able to do that through our successful fundraising efforts.*

*Last year, Asha and I worked together on the Fall Festival, Galaxy Gala, and most all other fundraising efforts, and we were incredibly successful, raising over \$23,000! Next year we can build on the foundations we created, and make these events and a few new ones, even better! I want to focus on building traditions and a sense of community, and increasing involvement by everyone here at IA.*

*Thank you and I look forward to serving on the Board again!*

*Christina Berndt*