

# THE DIFFERENCE YOU MAKE

# WHO WE ARE

The Naperville Education Foundation (NEF) is the non-profit arm of Naperville School District 203. NEF raises funds to create opportunities for students that go beyond District 203's tax-supported budget.

## WHAT WE DO

NEF funds district-wide programs that benefit students at <u>your</u> elementary, junior high and high school and each of the district's 21 schools, Ann Reid Early Childhood Center and Connections. These NEF-funded programs:

#### SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL'S UNIQUE COMMUNITY

- **Before & After School Programs** provide support beyond the school day and may include Homework Club, Math Club or Supervised Open Study.
- **FIRST LEGO League** teams at all 14 elementary and 5 junior high schools increase students' experience with STEM and promote collaboration, teamwork and inquiry.
- **School Appreciation Grants** provide \$1,000 annually for each school principal to meet their building's unique needs.

#### **REMOVE BARRIERS TO LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN NEED**

When school social workers or staff identify a child in need:

- Kid Booster Anonymous provides funds to meet that child's needs, acting as the "missing link" when no other community resource or support can be found.
- **RISE** helps students with significant mental health and behavioral needs with wraparound support for the student and family, which may include food, shelter, clothing or parent education.

## **BRING TEACHER AND STUDENT GREAT IDEAS TO LIFE**

- Students, teachers and staff apply for **Express or Annual Grants** to fund their creative and innovative ideas. Express Grants provide up to \$1,000 for immediate use while Annual Grants fund larger scale projects for the following year.
- High school entrepreneurs in **INCubator** compete to receive funds to turn their idea into a real business.

#### HOW YOU CAN HELP

NEF depends on generous families like you to support our mission to ensure every student in the district can take advantage of opportunities to make the most of their education.

- Donate during registration or any time at www.nef203.org
- Join TEAM NEF to raise funds for your school and NEF while you run or walk the Naperville Half Marathon, 10K or 5K
- Attend fundraising events including the Building a Passion breakfast
- Follow NEF on social media and share our posts to spread awareness



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