



Dear Chatham Families,

Chatham Education Foundation (CEF) welcomes you Back to School for the 2019-20 school year. As we begin our twenty-third year supporting the School District of the Chathams, CEF is committed to supporting educational excellence through providing grants for innovative programs that are otherwise unable to be funded within the regular school budget.

CEF's sole purpose is to award innovative, curriculum-enhancing grants across all six schools within the School District. Grant requests come from teachers and administrators who see an opportunity to enrich and inspire students in their classroom or school that cannot be funded by the District's school budget. All grants must meet rigorous standards for innovation, sustainability and relevance and are approved by Supervisors, Principals and CEF Trustees. CEF and PTO both serve important functions in the District. The PTO of each school provides funds for student-related items such as assemblies, field trips, Project Graduation, and gifts to schools, such as playground equipment and supplies. CEF is committed to continuing, with your support, to fund innovation and creative educational programs. We hope you will support both.

Generous donations help CEF fund grants across four priorities. Examples of recently awarded grants include:

Student Well-Being



SBS's Calm Workspace encourages students to relax, refocus and recenter for students feeling overwhelmed by social, academic and personal pressure.

Innovative Learning Spaces



The Thinking Classroom—a vertical classroom with writeable walls and standing desks to support group collaboration and learning in Math.

Educator Growth



Building Voices, empowers educators with the skills to become compelling speakers and storytellers.

Curriculum Enhancements to Literacy, STEM, Arts and more



Enhancing our Classroom Libraries with non-fiction text.

The School District of the Chathams is one of the most outstanding public-school districts in New Jersey and the nation. The quality of the Chatham schools is at the heart of our community and continues to draw new families, resulting in strong property values. While the school population has almost doubled over the past 25 years, the school budget has not kept pace and our per-pupil budget is significantly lower than almost all peer schools.

We express our sincere gratitude to our generous donors who have helped distinguish Chatham as a leading school district. A complete list of CEF 2018-19 supporters can be found in this letter.

Please consider making a gift that will continue Chatham's tradition of excellence by returning the form at the bottom of this letter with your donation. To learn more about the grants received by all six schools in the District, please visit our website at www.chathamedfoundation.org.

Sincerely,

Sally Allen
President, Chatham Education Foundation





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Please contact Alan Routh at chathamedfoundation@gmail.com

- about making an Endowment pledge
- to give appreciated securities

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