



In the Classroom NEWSLETTER

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GEF IS RINGING IN THE NEW YEAR WITH GRATITUDE!

We are very grateful to the families and businesses that donated last fall to the Glenview Education Foundation's Fund Drive.

Our District has to place much of its funding toward necessary support and improvements for flexible learning models in the wake of COVID-19, making GEF's grant funding more critical than ever to allow our schools to remain on the cutting edge of education.

We are on the way to reaching our 2020-2021 fundraising goal and hope for more donations in 2021! Thank you for your support and for helping us to succeed in our mission to advance excellence across all District 34 schools.

If you are interested in supporting our mission this year, it is not too late!

NEW DONOR RECOGNITION LEVELS

Doctorate: \$1500 | Masters: \$1000

Bachelor: \$750 | Scholar: \$500 | Friend: \$250

Individuals who donate \$250 or more to GEF will receive special recognition in the monthly newsletter and on our website: www.gef34.org. For additional information, email us at info@gef.org.



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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FALL GRANT RECIPIENTS!

Thank you to all District 34 educators for their participation in the fall grant application process. GEF is proud to support the following grants that were approved:

District 34 Educator Discovery & Development: Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

MLB of Glenview is not-for-profit, philanthropic and social organization incorporated in the State of Illinois with the charitable mission of "Making Life Better" in Glenview and surrounding communities.

The membership of MLB of Glenview has donated thousands of volunteer hours and provided substantial financial support to organizations such as The Glenview Education Foundation, Boys Hope Girls Hope, Glenview Youth Services, Northfield Food Pantry, Titan's Helping Titans and an annual scholarship program for two GBS graduates.

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– submitted by Casey Coker, Sarah Gebhardt, Cathy Kedjidjian, Alison Keller, Raquel Kim, Matt Silverman, Carly Spina, and Aaron Wilkins

This grant provides additional funding needed to implement all parts of Phase 1 of the District 34 Educator Discovery & Development: Diversity, Inclusion, & Equity grant project that began in Spring 2020. In this phase, Lead Learners will continue to discover and explore the methods by which D34 will implement foundational district-wide educator learning around the topics of equity, diversity and inclusion. Lead Learners will learn more, vet resources, make recommendations, advocate, and help to shape future learning experiences for the district.

AAC - A Life Long Tool: A Parent Education Series

– submitted by Erin Ross

This grant supports a guest speaking opportunity where two successful adults who communicate using an Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Device can speak virtually to parents and families of children that use AAC devices to communicate. The goal is for families to understand why AAC is such a powerful tool and how it can help their children self-advocate for themselves to become independent communicators. Families will receive coaching sessions to learn how to implement their children's AAC device at home. Longer term plans include building networks amongst families, so they can share successes and problem solve together.



SAVE THE DATE FOR ST PATRICK'S DAY BINGO!

Friday, March 12th at 6pm

Sign up on eventbrite - <https://gefstpatsbingo.eventbrite.com>

Hosted by The Laughing Academy

Free for District 34 Families



A huge thank you to this year's Trivia Night sponsors!

This event is SOLD OUT. We are looking forward to a fun virtual event with those who signed up!

GEF'S VIRTUAL TRIVIA NIGHT SPONSORS

TRIVIA NIGHT MASTER (\$3000)

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Since being established in 2001, GEF has invested more than \$2,000,000 to fund innovative and high impact pilot programs via educator grants for **ALL DISTRICT SCHOOLS!**

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