



Glenview Education
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In The Classroom Monthly Newsletter

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GEF Trivia Night: Another One for the Books



First Place and Big Trophy winners will receive a free table at Trivia Night 2027 along with VIP parking.



Our Best Costume winners not only took home bragging rights, but gift cards to Hometown Coffee & Juice.

Even though it was single digit temps outside, nothing was cooling off the energy inside. GEF Trivia Night brought the fun once again this weekend, and the room was full of great teams, big laughs, and some seriously impressive trivia skills. Congratulations to our **overall trivia champions, *Curling Under the Influence*** and to ***Cereal Killers*** for taking home **Best Costume**- you clearly understood the assignment.

A huge thank-you to **Willow Lake Orthodontics**, our Trivia Night sponsor, for helping make the night possible and for their continued support of GEF and District 34 students. Thanks to our attendees, sponsors, and volunteers, we raised **nearly \$50,000** to support innovative programs and opportunities for our schools.

Still itching for more? So are we—**Trivia Night 2027 countdown is on**. Missed the fun this year? There are plenty of ways to stay involved with GEF all year long—because the best part of Trivia Night is being part of the community that makes it happen. **Check out our NEW Instagram handle @gef_glenview**, for some of the amazing highlights. It was definitely a night to remember!



Spring Grants: Still Time to Dream Big



The Spring Grant Cycle deadline has been extended to March 31, 2026... and yes, this is your sign.

Know a District 34 educator with a great idea? Encourage them to apply. Public education budgets have limits, but creativity shouldn't. GEF exists to help turn "what if?" into "what's next."

Spread the word: Dream big. Teach bold.

grants@gef34.org

Grants in Action: GEF Recital Night



Next week, District 34 student musicians will take part in the **21st Annual GEF Recital Night**, an experience made possible through **GEF grants** that goes far beyond a typical school recital.



If your child plays a sport, you know practice and game day aren't the same. Music works the same way—learning the notes is just the beginning; collaborative performance is where learning truly levels up.

As Attea Band Director Allison Reatherford shares: “the GEF Recital Night has allowed me to create an entire unit to teach our musicians how to rehearse and perform in small ensembles. This experience is quite different from performing in a school band, orchestra or choir. Students need to learn to work together while they are preparing the music, make informed decisions about their musical choices, and then perform for an audience and clinician without a teacher/director! It is exciting for me to see the musical growth in students during this unit. We are so thankful the GEF continues to fund this project!”

This kind of outside-the-box instruction is what elevates this experience, turning learning into growth, practice into performance, and a recital into something rare and meaningful. This is teaching at an extraordinary level, and it's exactly what **GEF grants** are designed to make possible.



[See more GEF grants](#)

In the Spotlight: Glenview Youth Baseball



Batter up, Glenview!

Spring House League registration is now **OPEN** for Glenview Youth Baseball at www.glenviewyouthbaseball.com.

Join us for a season of fun, growth and competition.

- **Registration closes** March 1, 2026

We're thrilled to spotlight **Glenview Youth Baseball (GYB)**, one of our Doctorate Level Sponsors whose generosity helps us support every District 34 school.

GYB is more than just a league, it's a cornerstone of the Glenview community. Each year, **over 1,000 young athletes** take the field, supported by **300+ volunteers** including coaches, managers, and board members. Their mission goes beyond baseball: GYB is dedicated to teaching teamwork, sportsmanship, and fair play, while giving every child, regardless of ability, a chance to grow, be challenged, and love the game.

We are so grateful to partner with GYB. Their commitment to Glenview kids mirrors our own, and their support allows us to fund

- Opening Day is April 18th

innovative programs and resources
that impact every D34 student.

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Doctorate Level Annual Sponsor (\$2,000)



Masters Level Annual Sponsor (\$1,500)



Bachelor Level Annual Sponsor (\$1,000)



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