

## EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION FUNDS

# Give local schools a boost to enhance learning!

A fund that benefits both students and staff.



### WHAT ARE EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION FUNDS?

Excellence in Education (EIE) funds are a means to strengthen our school communities with the use of private charitable resources. EIE funds are awarded for the benefit of school district students and staff. They encourage creative and innovative educational programs, recognize and reward outstanding achievement, and encourage local business, civic and community involvement in schools. They may be awarded to public and private schools according to the wishes of the community. EIE funds operate independently of school board oversight.

### WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A SCHOLARSHIP FUND AND AN EDUCATION FUND?

While scholarships are still a popular choice to further educational opportunities for graduating seniors and adult students, Excellence in Education funds serve the immediate and changing needs of current students in our local schools. With schools with lowered funding, EIE funds can serve to support a school's or teacher's key initiatives and projects.

### TWO IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF AN EIE FUND:

GRANTS GIFTS

**Giving the Gift of Education:** Excellence in Education funds are built by private gifts and are great investments in quality education for today's students and future generations. These generous private resources allow for educational programming not typically funded by tax dollars. Your gift can be a lasting and meaningful way of recognizing your alma mater, a special person or event in the life of your family, organization or business. To give to the EIE fund of your choice, visit [www.cfsw.org](http://www.cfsw.org).

**Applying for an EIE Grant:** One or more times per year, each EIE fund awards grants to the local school district for projects and/or programs that fall outside of the confines of the district's operating budget. Applications are accepted from school personnel during the individual district's open grant cycle. The grant awards are determined by the individual EIE fund's advisory board. To check availability of EIE grants, visit [www.cfsw.org](http://www.cfsw.org) (*on Menu: Grants/Excellence in Education Funds*)

### Current communities with EIE Funds

Argyle EIE  
Belmont EIE  
Black Hawk EIE  
Darlington EIE  
Elkhorn EIE  
Evansville EIE  
Hillsboro EIE  
Iowa Grant Educational Foundation  
Janesville Education Foundation  
Mineral Point EIE  
Monroe EIE  
Monticello EIE  
New Glarus EIE  
North Crawford EIE  
Pecatonica EIE



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