



WATERFORD FOUNDATION for public education

To: Staff of the Waterford School District

From: Awards and Grants Committee - Waterford Foundation for Public Education

Subject: Grant Application for 2011-2012
Deadline for submission of application is March 30, 2011

Date: January 17, 2011

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It has now been over 27 years since the Waterford Foundation for Public Education was created. From its very modest beginnings it has grown to become the most influential and significant contributor for the educational enrichment of students in the Waterford School District. In fulfilling its purpose in providing grants for educational enrichment programs for which funds are not otherwise available through normal funding channels, the Waterford Foundation is one of the most successful foundations of its kind in Michigan.

Although the Foundation is private, tax exempt, and managed by an independent Board of Directors composed of citizen volunteers from the Waterford School District, it functions in cooperation with the Board of Education and with its full knowledge and consent.

From its inception, the Foundation committed to a goal to build an endowment fund. A policy was adopted and followed that 100% of the total amount of staff payroll deductions and endowment is returned to the district each year in the form of grant monies. Our endowment fund has now surpassed \$1,000,000 thanks in part to the generous donations of staff through gifts and payroll deductions. In addition to your gifts, payroll deductions and memorials, the Foundation annually conducts fund raising activities which has enabled our endowment to grow to such proportions.

Last year the Foundation received numerous grant requests. The Foundation was able to fund over \$80,000 of these grant requests. We encourage you to seek funding from our Foundation for that special program you would like to see become a reality.

Applications will be reviewed on a competitive basis and a limited number of grants will be made. Applicants are encouraged to develop proposals that meet needs not normally funded as part of the school curriculum. The projects should be aimed toward enriching the regular program; that is, funding cannot be used to supplant district funding. Applicants are encouraged to be innovative and creative. The Committee's evaluation of your application will be fairer and easier if sufficient details are included. The deadline for your submission of this application is not later than **March 30, 2011. No grant request will be accepted after this date. Applications must be signed by both principal and director before being submitted.** Grants must be expended within one year of the date of their award. Applications are available in school offices. Grant applications should be sent to Lynn Bigelman at Adams Elementary.

If you have any questions or would like to see a completed form, please contact Lynn Bigelman at (248) 673-8900.

Sincerely,

Award and Grants Committee

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