



As you know, Boardman Schools has a long tradition of excellence in Academics, Arts and Athletics. What you might not know, is each year teachers have the opportunity to strengthen that tradition by applying for a grant to the Boardman Schools Fund for Educational Excellence (BSFEE). These grant dollars supplement the school's curriculum and enable teachers to offer students experiences that go beyond what is provided by state and local funding.

A few of the many outstanding experiences have included:

- **OSMO Genius Kits**, used by elementary students to assist with learning through problem solving, coding, puzzles, and spatial relations activities
- **Trail Cameras**, allowing fifth through eighth grade students to observe and study local park ecosystems from their own classrooms
- **Reader Pens**, interactive devices which help high school students with reading difficulties and allow for increased reading independence

Since the start of the fund in 2009, BSFEE has been able to award more than \$75,000 in grants and projects thanks to generous support from the Boardman community as well as annual donations totaling \$18,100 from the Boardman Education Association. The extraordinary circumstances of the past year also provided unique opportunities to contribute to the district. In addition to donating WiFi hotspots used for remote learning, BSFEE sponsored BHS senior t-shirts (a tradition that otherwise would have been bypassed) and helped Boardman Schools start a new tradition by sponsoring yard signs for incoming kindergarteners.

Support for education during these challenging times is more important than ever. You can help this teacher grant program by attending our **Annual Reverse Raffle on Friday, March 11, 2022 at Mr. Anthony's Banquet Center**. Mark the date on your calendar and plan to join us for this evening of fun, food, and a chance to win!

If you can't join us, please consider donating. It will help enrich existing programs and fund new projects. In addition, please consider BSFEE in your annual giving as we work together to keep the Boardman Schools excellent for future generations.

For an invitation to the Reverse Raffle or to learn more, reach out to me at bdmnschoolsfund@gmail.com, and check for updates on our Facebook page and website www.boardmanschoolsfund.com.

Sincerely,

Lynda Beichner

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President, BSFEE



Boardman Schools Fund for Educational Excellence

BSFEE, a component fund of the Community Foundation of the Mahoning Valley, is a non-profit organization providing funding for projects to further the educational experiences of students.

Please send to: Community Foundation of the Mahoning Valley
201 East Commerce Street, Suite 150, Youngstown, Ohio 44503

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