

How to get involved

- Attend events
- Join our board or volunteer to help on one of our event committees
- Become a sponsor of an ELEEF event
- Donate items for our annual silent auction or raffle
- Make a tax deductible donation to the Endowment
- Bequeath assets to the Endowment.

A message from the endowment

The East Longmeadow Educational Endowment Fund, Inc. (ELEEF) was established in 1995. It is a private, nonprofit organization comprised of resident volunteers from East Longmeadow. We are a non political organization working to enhance the education of our children by providing grant funding to teachers in the East Longmeadow Public Schools. Together with our educators, we strive to make learning an enjoyable and enriching experience from the early elementary years right on up through high school graduation. In the competitive, global world that we live in, we must focus on providing unique and challenging programs which inspire and promote a high level of talent in our classrooms and which steer our children toward a bright, successful future.

“Our Goal is Excellence in Education”

The Endowment raises funds through several major fundraising events each year. The first weekend in March, the Endowment hosts a dinner dance at Elmcrest Country Club. The first Monday in June, the Endowment also hosts a golf tournament at Elmcrest. These events are open to the public. Please contact an Endowment member to attend.

What educators, parents and business leaders are saying:

“I can’t thank the Endowment enough for granting me the funding, which allowed me to purchase a multitude of astronomy related equipment. Students are thoroughly engaged and excited to be doing real science both inside and outside the classroom. Their learning experience has been greatly enriched due to the Endowment’s vision.”

Cathie Morsch, 8th Grade Science Teacher,
Birchland Park Middle School

“During these difficult economic times, it seems like the “extras” that are so critical to student learning are often the first items to be cut in the school budget. One of the wonderful things about the Endowment is that it funds some of these items, and the funding is directed to the teachers, who know firsthand what they need most.”

Matt Flanagan, Parent

“The culture in East Longmeadow values education and community; the Endowment has become a perfect vehicle for both.”

Dr. Belisa A. Basile,
Business Sponsor of ELEEF

“As a business owner I feel an obligation to help my immediate community where those that I work with live. Help children with their education and it produces a lifetime of good for the child and the community. Since I’m not a Rockefeller, I like organizations that have a long-term plan for my donation and can maximize the affect. The East Longmeadow Educational Endowment Fund meets my goals with its growing endowment and annual gifts to the school.”

Steve Graham,
President, Toner Plastics Inc
and S&E Specialty Polymers LLC

We look forward to seeing you at our dance and golf tournament!

For more information contact Al Kasper at 642-4131. To make a donation, send to:

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How can I help our students to reach their potential?

The East Longmeadow Educational Endowment Fund, Inc.

Quick facts about the East Longmeadow Educational Endowment Fund

What is the Endowment?

The East Longmeadow Educational Endowment Fund is a private, nonprofit group established in 1995 by concerned citizens in East Longmeadow. Our goal is to enrich the classroom experience for our students by funding "extras" that are not covered in the school budget. Some of these projects have included funding for gifted and talented programs, listening centers and storyboard sets for reading, computers, software and telescopes for science, math games, career planning technology and guidance materials, maps, a music theory program, classical literature and chemistry CDs, library resources, TV studio editing equipment and many



other teaching tools throughout the district. Meadow Brook, Mountain View and Mapleshade Elementary, along with Birchland Park Middle School and our High School have all benefited from funding provided by ELEEF.

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How do the teachers receive the money?

Each year teachers are given the opportunity to submit grant requests to the Endowment. The Endowment Board then meets and selects the grants it feels will have the most lasting impact on the greatest number of students.



How much has the Endowment given away?

To date, the Endowment has provided over \$170,000 to the East Longmeadow Schools. Additionally, we have over \$300,000 in investments. Our goal is to grow these investments to \$1,000,000 enabling the Endowment to distribute 100% of the profits generated from its investments and annual fund-raising events.



Where does the Endowment get the money?

The Endowment raises money through fund-raising events, like our dinner dance and golf tournament, and through corporate donations. We try to tie in an enjoyable experience while at the same time raising funds for our foundation.

Our major fundraisers are:

1. Dinner Dance at Elmcrest Country Club on March 3, 2007.
2. Golf tournament on June 4, 2007 at Elmcrest Country Club.



How can I get more information about the Endowment?

The following is a list of Endowment Board members. Feel free to email them at eleefboard@hotmail.com, or log on to: www.eleef.org for more information.

Mark Beglane
Heather Bliss
Lynn Brown
Laura Caine
Laurie Cirillo
Nancy Cokotis
Damon D'Amico
Maria D'Amico

Allison Ebner
Al Kasper
Patrick Mailloux
Adam Raczkowski
Marna Shields
Greg Thompson
Mike Whitman