



## Who We Are

Started in 1989, LEF is an independent charitable organization with a mission to enhance educational excellence for the children of the Lexington Public Schools.

Since its inception, LEF has provided more than **\$2.9 million** to the Lexington public schools across all disciplines, in ALL nine schools.

LEF is directed by a non-salaried board of community members with the assistance of two professional staff.

## What We Do

Through our competitive grant programs, we fund initiatives outside the school operating budget to:

- ★ Enrich math skills
- ★ Support the science curriculum
- ★ Improve literacy
- ★ Promote 21<sup>st</sup> century technology
- ★ Provide professional development for teachers
- ★ Elevate the arts
- ★ Enhance social and physical wellbeing
- ★ Expand social studies and world culture.

LEF grants range from small classroom-specific programs to large district-wide projects and are awarded in three categories:

- ★ **Program Grants** to teachers or administrators for innovative programming and professional development
- ★ **Community Grants** to schools for school-wide initiatives
- ★ **Summer Fellowships** to teachers for summer study.

LEF grant proposals come directly from Lexington educators, are awarded based on merit as determined by a rigorous review process and are high quality, well-planned, and efficient in use of funds. A full listing of LEF grants is on our website, [www.lexedfoundation.org](http://www.lexedfoundation.org).

## Supporting LEF

By supporting LEF, you allow teachers to implement innovative ideas, teaching approaches and technologies; prepare students for the 21st century; and help make Lexington schools the best they can be. Supporting LEF is easy:

- ★ Purchase a STAR to honor a Lexington public school educator
- ★ Donate to the Annual Fund
- ★ Participate in the Spring Gala
- ★ Donate to the Spring Gala silent and live auctions
- ★ Support a Trivia Bee Team
- ★ Volunteer for LEF!

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