

# LAKE FOREST COMMUNITY EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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Grant Application SY 2020-2021

Submission Deadlines:

Spring Cycle: April 30, 2021

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## Fact Sheet- School Year 2019-2020

- The Lake Forest Community Education Foundation was founded in 2003 for the purpose of supporting, advancing and enhancing primary and secondary education within the Lake Forest School District.
- The Foundation subsequently established the Lake Forest Community Education Fund at the Delaware Community Foundation, an IRS designated 501 (c) 3 tax exempt organization #22-2804785. The purpose of the Fund was to enable the Foundation to award grants for innovative projects in the classroom.
- Over the years, Lake Forest School District teachers, administrators, coaches, program specialists, and others have applied for these grants. The Foundation has awarded grants in support of research-based classroom initiatives, technology, sports, and the arts to enrich the student's school experience. Examples of funded projects include the purchase of software to promote reading, standing desks and stools for flexible learning, and classroom libraries. The Foundation's grant awards have also supported Odyssey of the Mind, Consumer Science, scholastic clubs, Little Spartans Basketball, and the Central Elementary Jazz Band, among many others.
- Grants have been distributed each year to teachers within the Lake Forest School District.
  - In 2004, there were seven grants for a total of \$3,224
  - In 2005, there were seven grants for a total of \$3,000
  - In 2006, there were ten grants for a total of \$3,686
  - In 2007, there were ten grants for a total of \$3,105
  - In 2008, there were twelve grants for a total of \$3,845
  - In 2009, there were eleven grants for a total of \$4,159
  - In Fall 2010 and Winter 2011, there were ten grants for a total of \$4,135
  - In Fall 2011, there were eight grants for a total of \$3,956.
  - In Fall 2012, there were eight grants for a total of \$3,377
  - In Fall 2013, there were six grants for a total of \$2,931
  - In Fall 2014, there were eleven grants for a total of \$5,340.48
  - In Fall 2015, there were five grants for a total of \$2,397.32
  - In Fall 2016, there were seven grants for a total of \$4,442.00
  - School Year 2017-2018, there were six grants for a total of \$4,365.96
  - School Year 2018-2019, there were six grants for a total of \$5,399.10
  - In Fall 2019 and spring 2020, nineteen (19) grants were awarded totalling \$15,109.19
- Over the 17-year history of the grant program, 143 grants totaling \$72,472.05 have been awarded to teachers in the Lake Forest School District.
- In 2017, the Foundation began awarding a \$500 grant to the Lake Forest School District Teacher of the Year to use at his or her own discretion. \$1,500.00 has been awarded to date.
- The goal of the Foundation is to award grants from the Fund each year, while preserving the original principal. Interest earned, contributions and fundraisers make this possible.
- Tax deductible contributions to the Lake Forest Community Education Fund at the Delaware Community Foundation can be made any time at the DCF website: [www.delcf.org/](http://www.delcf.org/)

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