

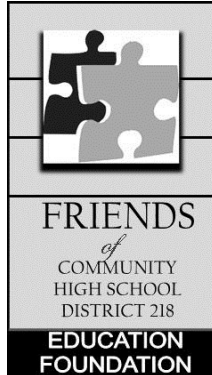
## OUR HOPE

*The history of District 218 suggests that its people always step up, give their best and find the way forward. Whatever the need, cause, or goal the CHSD218 community pulls together to build upon the foundation that so many others have worked to establish.*

*Our schools provide excellent examples of this spirit. District 218 staff work on behalf of our students, preparing them to succeed in college and careers—helping them to think as citizens of the world.*

*The Friends of CHSD218 Education Foundation has been organized to support the staff and students of CHSD218. We are a group of volunteers dedicated to helping the CHSD218 community find ways to reach their goals.*

*We could use your help. It is our hope that you join us in our efforts to piece together school and community.*



### THE FRIENDS OF CHSD218 EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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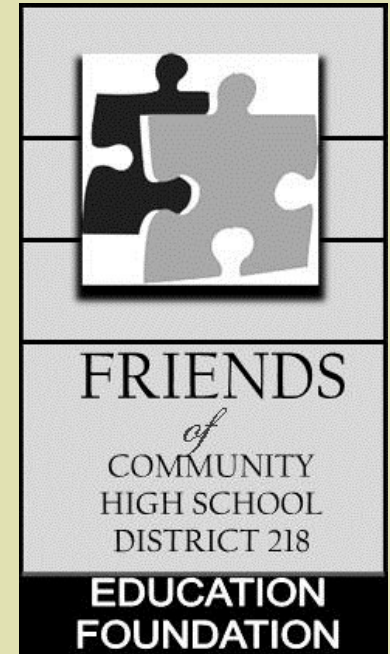
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## EDUCATIONAL INNOVATIONS

The Friends of CHSD218 Education Foundation is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization. The Foundation supports our teachers and students with a variety of fund-raising events and projects. We encourage educational innovation by awarding grants to teachers who develop educationally unique projects or have creative ideas that facilitate learning.

***Since our inception, the Foundation has awarded over \$65,000 in the form of Mini-Grants to the staff of CHSD218.***

The following are some innovative ideas that the Foundation has helped to fund:

- E-Readers for Learning
- Financial Support for Operation Snowball
- Orchestra and Band Instruments
- Graphing Calculators for Math Classes
- High Powered Fan for Science Projects
- Funding for Specialty Art Projects
- Manipulatives for Social Studies Classes
- Career Research Center Materials
- Podcasting Equipment for Foreign Language
- Funding for Anti-Bullying Campaign
- Robotic Kits Providing Hands On Learning
- Wooden Airplanes to Study Physics of Flight
- Water Refilling Stations
- Exercise Ball Chairs for Physical Ed. Classes
- Artwork Display Materials

## COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

The Foundation also seeks to open doors for students after graduation. In 2015, the Foundation funded \$10,500 in scholarships to selected graduating seniors and almost \$45,000 since 2010.

## FUN & FUNDRAISING

The Foundation is comprised of parents, alumni, and employees. Funds are raised through staff donations and special events held throughout the year.

The Annual Arts Extravaganza is an annual event which brings together the community to celebrate the performing, culinary, visual, and creative arts of CHSD218 students. This event takes place in April.

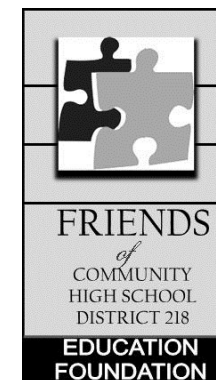
The Golf Outing is an open event for employees, friends, vendors and community members. It is held the first week of June each year.

\$2 for 218 is a staff donation program whereby staff members donate \$2.00 (or other amounts) per paycheck in support of the Foundation and its goals.

## JOIN US

The desire to serve our communities has driven our growth. Each member takes pride in what they do in bettering the lives of the CHSD218 family. Whether you'd like to learn more about our work, join the cause or donate, we would love to hear from you! In order to continue to build on our success, the Foundation needs your help.

As we have learned, few experiences provide rewards like stepping forward to help young people. Every little bit helps - give us a call and find your place among friends.



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