



Save the Date!  
ELEF Annual  
Awards Dinner  
May 17, 2018

EAST LANSING EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION  
501 Burcham Drive ♦ East Lansing, MI 48823  
[www.elef.us](http://www.elef.us)

November 20, 2017

Dear Friends of the East Lansing Educational Foundation:

Through wind, rain, and snow a dedicated team of community volunteers meets on the second Tuesday of each month with one ultimate goal in mind; to help raise funds to distribute to East Lansing Public Schools teachers, administrators and staff.

It has been my pleasure over the past few years to be a part of this team, better known as the East Lansing Educational Foundation, and to help raise those funds and to assist in reviewing the requests for assistance for our classrooms that come in each fall. From your donations, the ELEF was able to fund grants this year totaling over \$48,000. I wanted to share just a few of those wonderful requests that were awarded this year.

East Lansing High School

\$1,058.00 for two new cameras for the yearbook staff

\$3,939.90 for mini iPads for the Math Department

MacDonald Middle School

\$3,500.00 for a new 3-D printer

Donley

\$4,760.00 for a science partnership with Impression 5 Science Center

Glencairn

\$1,199.25 for performance stages for the music department

Marble

\$2,398.00 for Ozbots for STEM enhancement programs

Pinecrest

\$718.00 for parental support literature

Whitehills

\$3,400.00 for Drum Fit - a collaborative effort between P.E. and music classes

As you can see, students at every school in our district benefit from your generous support to the ELEF. As we enter the season of giving, I humbly ask that you once again open your hearts and your checkbooks to assist the ELEF in its mission to continue to provide that extra support our ELPS teachers, administrators, and staff so deservingly need. We all benefit from this generosity of spirit and our community is a much richer place for it. Please fill out the enclosed donation form or visit us online at: [www.elef.us](http://www.elef.us) to contribute to the ELEF in whatever amount you can spare. All donations are extremely appreciated.

Have a safe and happy holiday season,

*Blair Renfro*

Blair Renfro  
President, East Lansing Educational Foundation

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**Mission Statement:**

The East Lansing Educational Foundation is a diverse organization pursuing excellence and innovation in education through community engagement, strategic partnerships, ongoing fundraising and effective programming.

**Vision Statement:**

The East Lansing Educational Foundation supports all ELPS educators and students to excel and innovate by collaborating with the community to raise and distribute financial and in-kind resources.