



2017-2018

Your Donations at Work

The mission of the Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation, SVFEI, is to provide innovative learning opportunities for children in the Saucon Valley School District. Since inception, we have raised private funds and in-kind donations for projects, programs, and creative experiences beyond the scope of the school budget for students in grades K-12.

Fall 2017 Small Grants

Kittek, “Wireless EEG System”

Students conduct research, obtain data and analyze the brain through a high-resolution, multi-channel, portable EEG system.

Andreucci, “Hispanic Art – Traveling Exhibition”

Week-long Hispanic Art Exhibition along with materials promoting cultural awareness and diversity in a life-sized exhibit displayed at the high school for the entire student community.

McCarthy, Young, Mullen & Demko “Welcome to Saucon Book”

Five photo books to welcome and prepare students for the start of school highlighting various areas of the elementary school building.

Sakasitz, “World Music - Eastern Scales”

Enhance the middle school world music program with the purchase of 2 alto and 2 soprano xylophones. Different cultures use different scales/modes. The moveable bars of the xylophones allow a scale change in the instrument to reflect the culture under study.

Parish & Schnalzer, “Painted Rocks”

Collaborative art project for students in elementary and middle school, focusing attention on the importance of community. The project designs rocks with words and/or images promoting peace, friendship and school values.

Kozel, “Rwanda Speaker”

High School students will have the opportunity to hear a presentation by a Rwandan Genocide Survivor.

2018 Literacy Week

Beginning in 2012, the SV Foundation for Educational Innovation has provided funding to bring authors to Saucon Valley. These authors have spoken to students about the importance of literacy, provided writing workshops, answered questions, and led discussion about all aspects of literacy.

Middle School

This year Pennsylvania author Caitlin Alifirenka will present to 7th & 8th grade students her story “I Will Always Write Back.” A story of an all-American girl and a boy from Zimbabwe and the letter that changed both of their lives forever. The 5th & 6th grade students will experience Ingrid Bohn’s interactive folktale theater – not just hearing the story but participating too.

High School

Author A.S. King will visit SVHS. A.S. King has been called “One of the best Y.A. writers working today” by the New York Times Book Review. King is the author of highly-acclaimed novels and has won the Michael L. Printz Honor, the Los Angeles Times Book Prize, The Amelia Walden Award, and The Carolyn Field Award. Some of her works include: *Please Ignore Vera Dietz*, *Monica Never Shuts Up*, *Reality Boy*, *Glory O'Brien's History of the Future*, *Still Life with Tornado*, *Finding Marvin Gardens*.

Maker Spaces

Beginning this year, the SVFEI is funding a grant for Makerspaces in the Elementary, Middle, and High School. The elementary school intends to develop a creation station where students use a hands on method to learn basic coding. In the middle and high schools, the libraries will host collaborative spaces where student may use technology, such as coding, robotics, and building materials, to develop their ideas.

How to Support SVFEI

Events

By attending our fundraising events, such as the March Madness Event, and participating in the games, raffles, and silent auction, we are able to raise funds to support our educational initiatives.

Get Involved

We are always looking for new members and new ideas! The Board of Trustees meets monthly in the conference room located in the District Administration building. Monthly meetings are generally every third Friday at 12:00 pm during the school year (Sep-May.) Join us there or email us about your interest at **info@svfoundation.net**.

Donations

We accept donations by check or online using our website, www.svfoundation.net.

Please make checks out to the Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation and mail to:

Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation

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You may also designate your workplace United Way donation to the Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation, donor code # 49918.