



NPSD EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION **2025-2026** ANNUAL REPORT



Inspiring Innovation.

**EMPOWERING
THE FUTURE.**



A Letter FROM THE PRESIDENT

A heartfelt THANK YOU to donors and supporters of the North Penn School District Educational Foundation! Thanks to your generosity, teachers and staff dare to dream, innovate, and bring learning to life for students across the district. In 2025-26, the Foundation awarded 68 grants totaling more than \$125,000.

Grants touched on many facets of an NPSD educational experience: science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM); arts, music and theater; literacy and language learning; accessibility; social-emotional learning, wellness and belonging; culture, civic engagement and community connections; and career and real-world experiences. The experiences your support make possible provide opportunities for students to explore, create, experiment, and connect classroom learning with the world around them.

The pages that follow show your generosity at work throughout North Penn schools.

Whether you supported U-Knight to Inspire, recognized an outstanding teacher through our Staff Tribute program, sponsored or participated in the Golf Classic, bought an item from the online auction, or contributed to the Annual Giving Campaign, the Foundation trustees and staff THANK YOU. Your support continues to enrich educational experiences for all North Penn students.

With gratitude,



Marion Hoffman Fraley
NPEF President; Parent of Alum



Champions of Innovation

The Foundation's Board is made up of trustees representing a cross-section of the community. Professionals, business owners, and retired teachers are among the dedicated volunteers who contribute their time, talents, and expertise to help advance the Foundation's mission. Throughout the school year, trustees often visit classrooms to see grants in action, connect with students and teachers, take part in fundraising initiatives, and attend events that spotlight and promote the Foundation's work.

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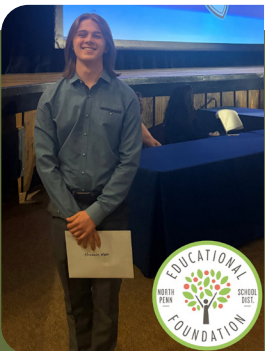
Student Liaison

Alexander Muto, NPHS Class of 2026

EMPOWERING TOMORROW'S LEADERS

The NPSD Educational Foundation was proud to present Alexander Muto with the NPSD Educational Foundation Scholar for Innovation scholarship during the NPHS Senior Awards presentation. This scholarship is awarded to a student who displays a

genuine quest for innovation through high school studies and work in the North Penn community. Alexander has served as a student liaison to the NPSD Educational Foundation for four years, keeping the foundation connected to the students and school activities. He brought that spirit of innovation to the foundation, creating new opportunities for the student liaisons who follow in his footsteps.



Building Leaders Through Innovation

The NPSD Educational Foundation raises essential funds through fundraisers and donations to support the premier education already provided by the North Penn School District. A 501(c)(3) non-profit, the Foundation is a collaborative effort among individuals committed to providing financial support for NPSD schools. The Foundation and NPSD are separate entities but work as partners in support of the children being educated in the district's 18 schools.

Our Mission

The mission of the NPSD Educational Foundation is to motivate and inspire students and staff in the NPSD through innovative projects and opportunities that enhance educational experiences and resources. We believe:

- Classroom innovation sparks creativity and academic excellence
- Character building and experiential learning are vital to student development and academic achievement; and that
- Inspired and motivated students are an important part of strong and healthy families and communities.

Why Support the Foundation?

North Penn students crave creative innovation—and NPSD staff is equally passionate about delivering it. Thanks to donors like you, whose generosity funds the NPSD Educational Foundation grants, these ideas become reality through classroom equipment, field trips, project materials, program software, guest speakers, and so much more. These enhancements to the curriculum wouldn't be possible without your support. While each project is unique, one thing never changes—the shared excitement and focus dedicated to enriching every student's learning experience.

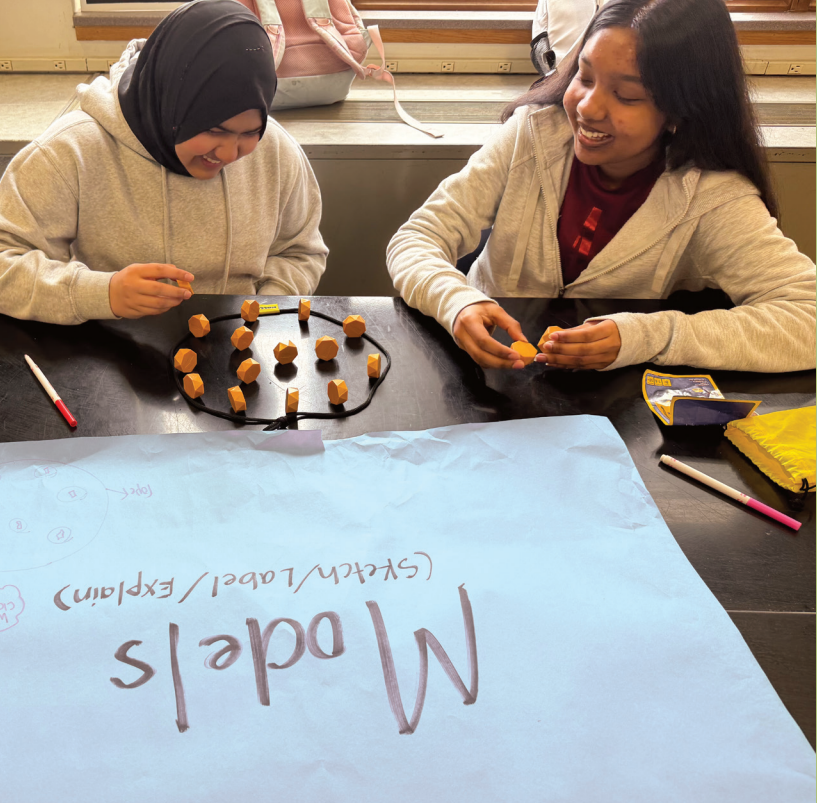
RECOGNIZING INNOVATION

The 2024-2025 NPSD Educational Foundation annual report received an Award of Excellence from the National School Public Relations Association (NSPRA) and an Award of Excellence from the Pennsylvania School Public Relations Association (PenSPRA) in their annual communications contests.

NPSD Educational Foundation Earned a 2026 Gold Seal of Transparency With Candid. Candid profiles provide current and potential donors with accurate and in-depth knowledge about the many ways the Foundation is responsibly advancing our mission and vision with all donations we receive. A Gold Seal status is the leading symbol of non-profit transparency and accountability.

Check out our non-profit profile to learn more and make a difference with your support by visiting www.guidestar.org/profile/23-2522368 or scan the QR code to the right.





Using Anchoring Phenomena in the Science Classroom:

KOLLIDE MAGNETIC ATTRACTION STRATEGY GAME

Total Awarded: \$296.82

Penndale Middle School | STEM

Integrated Science students modeled and investigated the essential concepts of Forces and Motion, including contact forces (Newton's Laws), and reached new understandings of the underlying principles that govern non-contact forces, like magnetism, by engaging in Kollide games. They moved beyond abstract concepts to directly observe and question how forces cause motion, enhancing their scientific inquiry skills and deepening their mastery of the Science, Technology & Engineering, Environmental Literacy and Sustainability (STEELS) standards in a fun, collaborative way.

Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program (EITC)

Pennsylvania's Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) provides companies with a 75% tax credit for donations to a non-profit scholarship or educational improvement organization. The tax credit increases to 90% if the company commits to making the same donations for two consecutive years. The NPSD Educational Foundation has a number of programs approved to receive EITC funding, including the Scanning Electron Microscopy project. The Foundation has two years to spend EITC dollars.

Total EITC Funds Awarded: \$77,581.62

Total EITC Funds Received: \$71,500

Programs Funded through EITC Donations: 25

Thank You to Our EITC Sponsors:

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VISUAL CAPTIONING

Total Awarded: \$17,110

North Penn High School

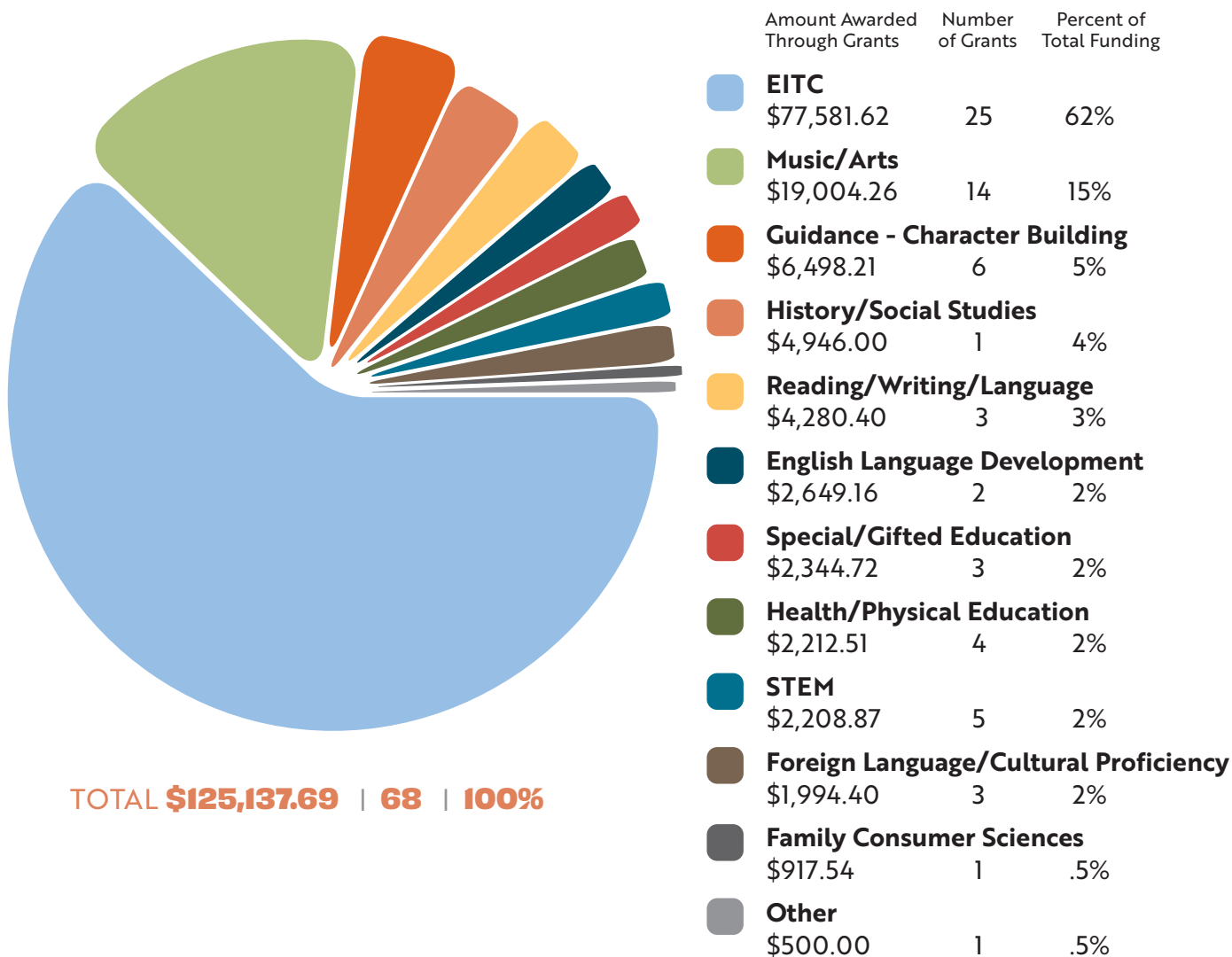
Family Outreach, Accessibility

The Media Scribe Captioning and Translation Unit from Tightrope Media is an innovative accessibility tool designed to make school and community communications more inclusive and equitable. This technology integrates directly with district media systems to provide real-time captioning, transcription, and translation of video and audio content. With Media Scribe, students, parents, and residents who are hard of hearing or English language learners can fully engage with events in the NPHS Auditorium and ESC Conference Room A. By implementing Media Scribe, the district strengthens its commitment to equity, inclusion, and transparent communication, ensuring every member of the community has equal access to the information that connects them to their schools.



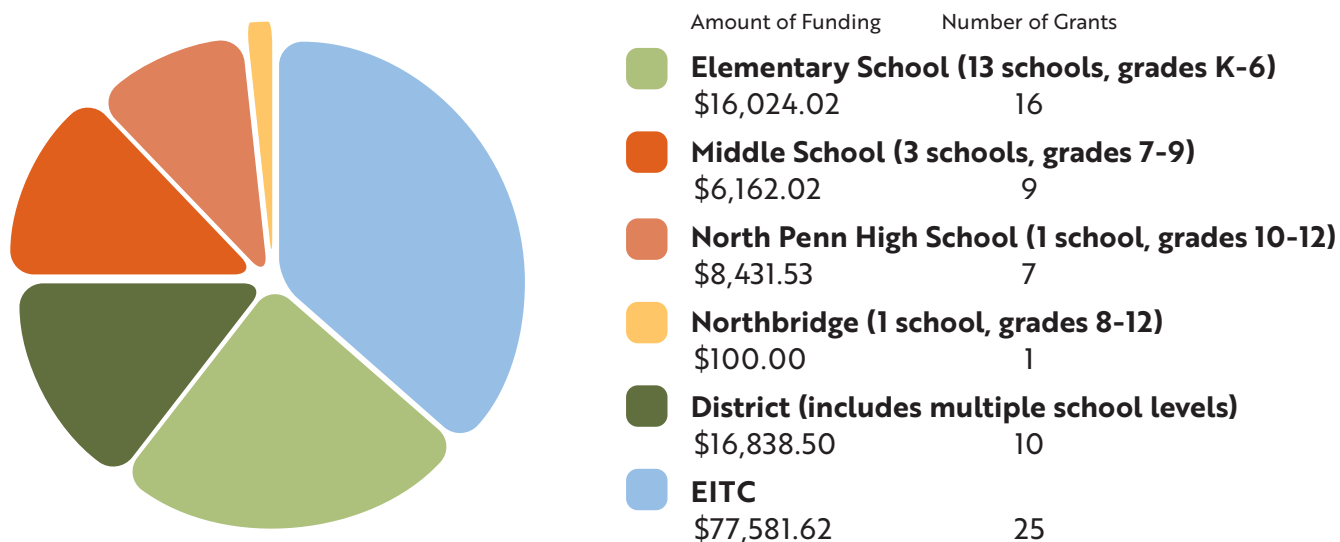
2025-2026 GRANTS BY PROGRAM AREA

Each funded project enriches the curriculum while offering students a hands-on, innovative approach to fully engage with and understand the lesson. When NPSD educators apply for grants, they carefully consider how the experience will benefit students academically, socially, and vocationally.



2025-2026 GRANTS BY SCHOOL LEVEL

The Foundation is committed to providing grants at every grade level, ensuring that all students have opportunities to explore new experiences that inspire and motivate them.



Calming Corners for Emotional Wellness

Total Awarded: \$1,283.77

Knapp Elementary School | Guidance - Character Building

Calming corners at Knapp Elementary School helped students manage their emotions in a safe and supportive space. These quiet areas give kids the chance to take a break, reflect on their feelings, and use tools to calm down. This helps reduce classroom disruptions and supports a positive learning environment. By encouraging self-regulation, calming corners also build confidence and emotional awareness.



North Penn Community Art Displays

Total Awarded: \$2,000 | District-Wide | Music and Arts

The North Penn Community Art Displays showcase K-12 student artwork from North Penn schools in local community spaces. Students gained hands-on experience in curation, presentation, and collaboration, while building pride in their creative work. Families and community members celebrated exhibit "launch" events, fostering connections and celebrating student achievement, strengthening school-community partnerships, and inspiring students to see their creativity beyond the classroom.

Local businesses and organizations interested in displaying art should contact Jackie Giammarco at giammaj@npenn.org.

Reading Super Bowl

Total Awarded: \$1,000

North Penn High School & all 13 elementary schools

Reading/Writing/Language

The Reading Super Bowl is a district-wide event in which NPHS football players visit all 13 elementary schools to read to younger students. Serving as literacy role models, the student-athletes connected with more than 6,000 elementary students. The day was filled with excitement as students and players came together to celebrate the joy of reading.



Hands In Clay: Creating Storytelling Tiles Through Ceramics

Total Awarded: \$1,167.59

Pennfield Middle School

Music and Arts

Hands in Clay: Creating Storytelling Tiles through Ceramics allowed students to explore the art of ceramics while connecting personal narratives and cultural storytelling to visual art. Students designed and created their own clay tiles, embedding unique designs, symbols, and textures that reflect their identity and imagination.



Culture Clubs

Total Awarded: \$780.38

District-Wide | Foreign Language/Cultural Proficiency

Upper elementary school students had the opportunity to celebrate the diverse world we live in by exploring different traditions, foods, music, and stories from various countries and backgrounds through cultural clubs offered at their school. These clubs fostered global awareness, promoted inclusivity, and gave students a fun, hands-on space to learn about and appreciate the rich tapestry of our global community.



POWERED by Innovation.

Innovating Ceramics: 3D Clay Printing for the 21st Century Studio

Total Awarded: \$3,000

North Penn High School | Music and Arts

North Penn High School ceramics students are shaping the future... literally. With the addition of a new ceramic 3D printer, students designed and printed with real clay, fusing traditional craftsmanship with cutting-edge technology. This goes beyond the standard educational opportunity and prepares students for success through imagination, innovation, and hands-on discovery.



Friendly Monster Sewing Project

Total Awarded: \$917.54

Gwyn-Nor and Gwynedd Square Elementary Schools
& Pennbrook and Pennedale Middle Schools

Family & Consumer Sciences

The Friendly Monster Project is a collaborative mentoring and creative arts initiative where young elementary students draw and design their own monster. Middle school students in the Family and Consumer Science major used the pattern and their sewing skills to bring the monster to life - in the form of a stuffed animal. The students met, and the monsters were returned to their creators.

Peer Connections Mentorship Program - Group Field Trip and Supplies

Total Awarded: \$2,760.82

Knapp Elementary School, Pennbrook Middle School,
North Penn High School

Guidance - Character Building

The Peer Connections Mentorship Program paired high school leadership students with elementary and middle school peers to build confidence, social skills, and positive relationships. Mentorship sessions included team-building and problem-solving activities that fostered collaboration and real-world application of critical skills. The program also provided high school students with hands-on leadership experience while strengthening a school culture of empathy, respect, and community.



Sixth Grade Strummers

Total Awarded: \$3,150.27

Walton Farm Elementary School

Music and Arts

Walton Farm Elementary School students were provided ukuleles, a storage rack, and curriculum materials to develop fundamental musical literacy and fine motor skills. The project included UkeAssist Adaptive Chord Helpers to ensure an equitable learning environment, allowing all students to successfully play and perform.



Metal Stamping with Professional Jewelry Artist

Total Awarded: \$450.00

North Penn High School | Music and Arts

Professional jeweler and teaching artist, Jen Blythe, visited the 3D Art & Design classrooms at North Penn High School to lead a hands-on metal stamping workshop. Students in grades 10–12 learned how to design and create their own personalized, wearable metal art pieces such as keychains and jewelry. Through this experience, they gained exposure to professional jewelry techniques, deepened their understanding of 3D design, and explored art as a potential career path. The workshop enhanced both their technical skills and creative confidence.

Finances IN REVIEW

2025-2026 Liabilities & Equity

	2024-2025	2025-2026
Net Assets	\$542,320.94	\$505,748.94
Unrestricted	\$307,968.74	\$356,871.91
Temporarily Restricted	\$234,352.20	\$150,721.27
Total Liabilities + Equity	\$542,320.94	\$505,748.94

Growth in Assets (2016-2026)

	Total Assets	Growth in Assets
2016-2017	\$244,025.86	\$50,401.95
2017-2018	\$294,454.79	\$14,462.56
2018-2019	\$308,917.35	\$14,772.37
2019-2020	\$323,689.72	\$96,865.76
2020-2021	\$420,555.48	\$(11,189.50)
2021-2022	\$409,365.98	\$73,160.90
2022-2023	\$482,526.88	\$(24,587.73)
2023-2024	\$457,939.15	\$84,381.79
2024-2025	\$542,320.94	\$(36,572)
2025-2026	\$505,748.94	

Spread Innovation

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Fueling Dreams. FUNDING FUTURES.

Members of the North Penn community, along with local businesses and organizations, are essential to the Foundation’s success. Thanks to the support and contributions from across the community, the Foundation is able to fund innovative programs that enrich students’ learning experiences at every grade level. These opportunities can serve as a catalyst for a student’s future.

Build-A-Bag Community Backpack & School Supply Drive

Community donations provide students in need with fully stocked backpacks and create an equitable learning experience.

Number of backpacks provided: **over 300**

Funds raised for supplies: **\$5,594.24**

Annual Golf Classic

Golfers and sponsors provide essential funding to provide ongoing learning opportunities.

Funds raised: **\$43,002.27**

U-Knight to Inspire (Employee Contributions)

Employees are committed to supporting innovative and enriching education experiences through their generous contributions.

Funds raised: **\$10,041.16**

Staff Tributes

Families recognize teachers and staff who have made a meaningful difference in a student’s life through donations made in their honor.

Funds raised: **\$6,187.85**

Online Auction

Item donors and auction bidders raise funds to support unique and enriching learning opportunities for students.

Funds raised: **\$9,327.58**

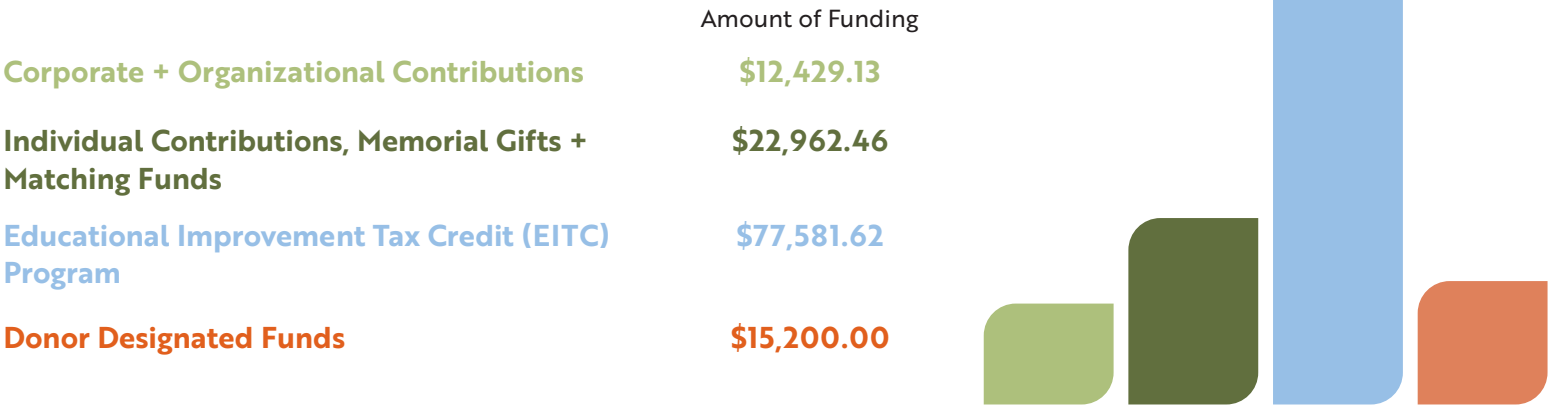
Annual Giving Campaign

The campaign’s success reflects the commitment of donors to supporting the Foundation’s mission and fostering innovation throughout the district for all students.

Funds raised: **\$11,158.76**

Funding a Need

Some donors have a cause close to their hearts and choose to support specific initiatives that directly benefit students.



Please consider helping the Foundation continue to provide funding for innovative programs that benefit students throughout the North Penn School District. Visit www.npennedfoundation.org to donate online or mail your donation to:

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