

# ANNUAL REPORT FISCAL 2023

JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023



### **OUR MISSION**

The Rye Fund for Education is committed to enriching the learning experiences of Rye City School students and ensuring that they have the opportunities and skills necessary to succeed in college and beyond.

We believe every student should have the opportunity to become a scholar, an athlete, an artist and a citizen of the world. We seek to enhance the quality of public education in our community by engaging the support and energies of educators, citizens, parents, students and alumni.

The Fund is supported entirely by donations and is governed by a board of private citizens who are committed to helping all students reach their potential in academics, arts and athletics. We seek to galvanize the entire Rye community to help the Fund achieve its goals, which we believe are critical as our schools face new and dramatic fiscal challenges.

### **OUR GOALS**

The Fund's general goal is to provide moneys to support areas critical to enriching our students' educational experience and to provide funding for the high quality public school education we have come to expect in Rye. More specifically, the Fund seeks to:

- support Rye's five public schools in the areas of academics, arts and athletics;
- fund innovative programs enriching the educational experiences of students both inside the classroom and beyond;
- inspire and encourage teachers through professional learning opportunities; and
- offer residents of Rye a community-led vehicle to contribute to public education and strengthen the future of our community.

# A MESSAGE FROM RONDA GILROY, PRESIDENT, RYE FUND FOR EDUCATION

Dear Friends.

On behalf of the Officers and Board of Trustees, it is my pleasure to present Rye Fund for Education's 2022-2023 Annual Report. This year marked a significant milestone for RFE as we relaunched after a multiyear pandemic and achieved resounding success in rebuilding community awareness and raising essential funds to support our exceptional school district.

We are immensely grateful for your contribution. We are especially thankful to our friends, volunteers, and businesses who exemplified support for RFE by actively engaging, spreading the word and generously donating. Through this report, we take pride in showcasing the tangible impact of your gifts on our schools.

This year, we made a substantial investment in technology, donating over \$200,000 towards the purchase of interactive smart boards, state of the art tools to enhance instruction in our classrooms. Furthermore, the success of our fall kickoff and spring gala events has enabled us to enrich the District's Engineering Pathway, positively impacting students from elementary through high school. As you turn the pages you will discover how Insta-grants directly benefit students in their daily school life.

None of these achievements would have been possible without your invaluable support. Thank you for your unwavering commitment as we continue our mission to fund innovation, empowering students to unlock their full potential and nurture their strengths and interests.



### **FINANCIALS**

	2021-2022	2022-2023
TOTAL FUNDS RAISED	\$59,126	\$331,743
TOTAL GRANTS UNDERWRITTEN	\$50,000	\$293,022
TOTAL GRANTS FUNDED	\$50,000	\$153,022

FULL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST





# **GRANTS**

RYE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO APPLY FOR FUNDING FROM RYE FUND FOR EDUCATION. RFE OFFERS TWO GRANT PATHWAYS TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOLS.

#### INSTA-GRANT

THE FIRST PATHWAY IS THE INSTA-GRANTS. THIS IS USED TO FUND INNOVATIVE IDEAS COSTING \$2,500 OR LESS AND WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE SIGNIFICANT IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT FROM RCSD.

#### TRADITIONAL GRANT

THE SECOND PATHWAY IS THE TRADITIONAL GRANT. THIS FUNDS INNOVATIVE IDEAS IN EXCESS OF \$2,500 OR WHICH REQUIRE SIGNIFICANT DISTRICT SUPPORT TO IMPLEMENT.

GRANTS UNDERWRITTEN 2023	AMOUNT	CATEGORY	SCHOOLS	COMPLETE
16 PROMETHEAN ACTIVPANELS	\$130,875	ACADEMICS	ALL SCHOOLS	YES
MAKER SPACE CODING MATERIALS	\$7,500	ACADEMICS	ALL ELEMENTARY	YES
TANG MATH PUZZLE PACKS	\$6,885	ACADEMICS	ALL ELEMENTARY	YES
ART MURAL AT RYE HIGH SCHOOL	\$5,000	ARTS	RYE HIGH SCHOOL	YES
MAKER SPACE BUILDING MATERIALS	\$1,435	ACADEMICS	ALL ELEMENTARY	YES
TRUMPET MUTES	\$1,327	ARTS	ALL ELEMENTARY	YES
MOBILE PROMETHEAN BOARDS *	\$80,000	ACADEMICS	ALL SCHOOLS	NO
ENGINEERING PATHWAY *	\$60,000	ACADEMICS	ALL SCHOOLS	NO

<sup>\*</sup> GRANT APPROVED BY RFE TRUSTEES DURING FISCAL YEAR, AWAITING IMPLEMENTATION

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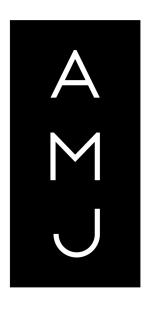






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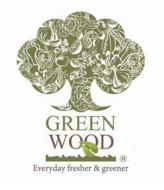




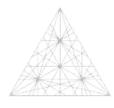
















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#### HELP OUR STUDENTS SUCCEED IN COLLEGE AND BEYOND!

The Fund is interested in galvanizing the support of the entire Rye community and it welcomes the financial donations and volunteer spirit of all community members within the Rye City School District as well as donations from any other sources, including bequests, employer matching, charitable trusts and gifts from corporations and individuals.

Please always feel free to contact any Fund Officer or member of the Board of Trustees with your ideas and/or to lend your support.

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