ZEF eNewsletter Thanksgiving 2020



With Gratitude

Thanks to the generosity of sponsors and donors like you, ZEF has awarded more than \$125,000 in grants so far in 2020. These grants have funded projects such as elementary STEM building materials, video production equipment for district-wide virtual events, professional development opportunities for ZCS staff, ukuleles, books to start a middle school book club, technology, and social and emotional learning opportunities for students.

ZEF has funded innovative grants that look toward the future of learning while also ensuring teachers have needed materials to meet Covid-19 mitigation guidelines. 2020 ZEF grants have helped fund immediate needs while enabling our schools to continue to dream big.

But don't just take our word for it - as always, our grant recipients say it best! The video below was shared during our recent Virtual Trivia Night, but its message about the impact ZEF grants have on our schools - the impact YOU make possible - is timeless. Click here or on the video image below to hear it in their words.





#GivingTuesday is on 12/1/2020. This day of giving follows Black Friday, Small Business Saturday, and Cyber Monday. It is a chance to pause and consider your charitable giving during the holiday season. As you plan your #GivingTuesday and year-end donations, please consider making your annual gift or an additional gift to ZEF in support of our schools.





Local businesses are an integral part of our community's success. They attract visitors, make getting that last-minute gift or outfit easy, provide gathering places for family and friends, and support our schools through their donations to ZEF. They are owned by hard-working, caring people in our community.

We hope you will join us this holiday season (and always) by remembering to shop & dine locally!



Virtual Trivia was a Blast!

Thank you to all that participated in our first ZEF Virtual Trivia Night! Whether your team came in first or 105th, the fun was evident. Your team registrations, auction bids, and Cap off the Night donations have a direct impact on future ZEF grants for teachers, students, and schools. THANK YOU!

We would also like to congratulate our winning team, League of Extraordinary Guessers! This eight-person team soared to victory with a score of 205 points. Congratulations to team members Mike and Tracy Coussens, Ike and Jennie Means, Christina Gibson, Tracy and Brian Vermillion, and Mary Ann Morris!



It's Never too Late to Cap off the Night!

At ZEF, we believe it's never too late to help our teachers and schools! Did you miss the event and your chance to help us Cap off the Night? Did you see your friend with the latest ZEF hat and wonder how you could get one? We've got you covered! Simply click here or the button below to make a donation of \$50 or more and receive a hat as a token of our appreciation.



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