

Consider a gift to Mineral Point Schools!

Donations can be made in any amount at any time.

Excellence in Education Fund

80% of your gift will go to the endowment and 20% will be used in the next grant cycle

Please accept my gift of:

___ \$1,000 or more (Charter Member before 12/31/2017)

___ \$500 ___ \$250 ___ \$100 ___ \$50

\$_____ Other

___ Check enclosed made payable to the:

Mineral Point Excellence in Education Fund

P.O. Box 5 • Mineral Point, WI 53565

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please accept this pledge of \$_____ to be paid in ___ installments by _____ (date).

Please charge my:

MasterCard Visa Discover

Debit

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: ___ / ___ / _____

Signature: _____

3-Digit Code: _____

I wish to remain anonymous.

Please contact me:

I would like to learn more about tax-deductible planned giving options or contribute stock or other property.

I would like to learn more about establishing a named endowment fund.

www.mineralpointfoundation.org

Annual Giving Levels

Diamond: \$10k+

Platinum: \$5k to \$9,999

Gold: \$1k to \$4,999

Silver: \$500 to \$999

Bronze: \$100 to \$499

Friend: \$1 to \$99

Lifetime Giving Levels

Legacy: \$50k+

Heritage: \$25k+

Cornerstone: \$10k+

Charter Member

Anyone donating \$1,000+ before December 31, 2017 will be part of the Charter Membership inaugural group and included on a future public donor recognition sign.

A posting on Facebook and to the MPCF website acknowledges all pledges and donations.

For more information, please contact:

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For good. For ever.

The mission of the **Mineral Point Excellence in Education Fund** is to invest resources in Mineral Point schools to meet changing educational needs. **For good. For ever.**

A component of the Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin a 501(c)(3) public charity.

Our Story

The Mineral Point Excellence in Education (EIE) Endowment Fund, a component of the Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin, exists to build an endowment fund through charitable giving to provide support for excellent education in Mineral Point Schools.

Organized in April 2016, the EIE Fund was established to preserve and enhance our community's proud legacy of cultural, educational and environmental gifts to the school and create the financial and legal framework to facilitate local philanthropy to strengthen our school community.

The advisory board welcome volunteers interested in growing the reach and impact of the EIE. The Board meets monthly supported by individuals, families, organizations and businesses who believe in preserving and building strong, resilient schools.

How Do the Funds Work?

Residents, alumni, and anyone with interest in the Mineral Point Schools is encouraged to make contributions to the endowment fund. Contributions are held in perpetuity to provide an ongoing resource. All gifts are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law. The distribution of grants begins when funding reaches a sufficient level to generate meaningful awards. Every gift will be available for educational projects within the geographical boundaries of the School District of Mineral Point.

For more information about applying for a grant, visit www.mineralpointfoundation.org

What is an 'Excellence in Education' fund/EIE Endowment?

Excellence in Education (EIE) funds are a means to strengthen our school with the use of private charitable resources. The awarding of EIE funds benefits Mineral Point School District students and programs. The fund encourages creative and innovative educational programs, recognizes and rewards outstanding achievement, and supports local business, civic and community involvement in schools. EIE funds operate independently of school board and school administration oversight.

An EIE endowment means that the actual gift amount remains unspent – with only the earnings from contributions available for grants.

Give the Gift of Education

We invite you to make a difference in the life of a child. Your contribution stays in the Mineral Point School District to improve the quality of life in the entire community. Your gift to the Mineral Point Excellence in Education Fund is a lasting and meaningful remembrance. Your gift can:

- Honor the memory of a loved one.
- Recognize a favorite teacher or other influential person in your life.
- Celebrate a class reunion.
- Mark a special occasion such as a retirement, anniversary, birthday, promotion' and/or;
- Create a legacy to celebrate any event in your "circle of life."



Ways to Give

Anyone can make a gift, large or small, to the Fund. Your donation will be an investment in support of quality education for today's students and future generations. Here are some avenues for giving:

- Cash, Credit Card or Automatic Debit
- Pledge
- Stock, Securities and/or Personal Property
- Real Estate
- Bequest
- Gift-in-Kind
- Retirement Plan
- Life Insurance
- Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from IRA's.*

**Special note – Gifting from Retirement Plans, and specifically IRAs*

If you are at least age 70.5 and taking minimum IRA distributions (often referred to as an RMD), you may have that distribution (RMD) made directly to a charity of your choice (including this fund). In this way it's possible to turn the RMD from your IRA into a charitable gift, free from federal tax.

Additionally, people age 70.5 and older may choose to gift by means of a charitable IRA rollover. Federal law allows the transfer of up to \$100,000 per year from individual retirement accounts (IRAs) to charity—without incurring federal income taxes today or estate and income taxes in the future.

Local volunteers serve on an Advisory Board that operates independently of the Mineral Point School District and governs as an affiliate of the Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin, Inc. Your contribution is tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

Excellence in Education Advisory Board Members

Monica Dunn, Sarah Fox, M.D., Nancy Harker, Chris Heins, Mary Jean James, Kristin Mitchell, Jessie Potterton, Rebecca Steffes, Mike Wagner