



GEORGETOWN EDUCATION FOUNDATION *Investing in Tomorrow's Generation*

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Mission of the Georgetown Education Foundation (GEF)?

Founded in 1991, the Georgetown Education Foundation is dedicated to providing expanded opportunities and experiences to the students of the Georgetown Public Schools. Our mission is to support innovative programs in order to encourage, demonstrate and recognize excellence in our schools for the benefit of students of all aspirations and abilities.

What programs are supported by the GEF?

Through grants, the GEF helps supplement programs related to technology, new teaching techniques, and arts and science.

How is the GEF governed?

The members of the GEF elect a Board of Directors who in turn, appoints the officers. The Board consists of 14 members who serve staggered three-year terms. Officers serve one-year terms. The Board oversees several subcommittees, including grant review, capital fundraising, strategic planning, and communications.

Are my donations tax deductible?

Yes. As a 501(c)(3) organization, donations to the GEF are tax deductible and may be eligible for matching contributions from your company.

What has the GEF done recently to help the schools?

The GEF co-sponsored the Links for Learning Golf Tournament, resulting in replacing the Penn Brook technology lab. In addition, the GEF entered into a relationship with Educational Networks to develop the school's website and on-line shopping mall. Other functions included a GMHS band/chorus CD. There are several other new and exciting events being developed for the future.

What are the future priorities of the GEF?

The GEF's future priorities include funding certain initiatives in the District Strategic Plan that includes, but is not limited to, technology upgrades, smart classrooms, science programs and fairs, and other projects consistent with our mission.

How do I become a member?

Complete an application and submit it to a Board member. There are no annual dues and our members are responsible electing our Board of Directors at our annual meeting.