



The Mission of the Troy Foundation for Educational Excellence is to strengthen the educational experience of Troy School District students by funding innovative learning opportunities, entirely through private support. The primary focus of the TFEE is awarding grants to teachers for innovative classroom programs through which they **ENGAGE** their students, **ENHANCE** curriculum, and **ENRICH** their classroom environment, while **ENERGIZING** both teachers and students.

The Foundation reaches out to the Troy community each year for support through [direct donations](#) as well as [fundraisers](#). Our [Fall Donation Campaign](#) is supplemented by our annual [Tony Spagnola Golf Classic](#), which is held each summer at Sanctuary Lake Golf in Troy, and our yearly [TFEE Book Fair](#) that we schedule in late November/early December at Troy's Barnes and Noble on John R. Our 2016-2017 contributions to the TSD totaled \$55,000.

The Grant Awards included:

[Modeling and Mysteries in Biology](#)

Modeling and Mysteries in Biology assisted students in uncovering the "biochemistry of life" as they constructed hands-on models of water, lipids, nucleic acids, proteins, carbohydrates, etc.

[Connected Classrooms, Engaged Learners](#)

Connected Classrooms, Engaged Learners provided webcams for Schroeder students and teachers to participate in global learning opportunities. Project participation included Global Read Aloud (literature), Same Day in March (weather and data collection), and Mystery Skype (geography).

[Innovation Incubator Prototypes and Maker Projects](#)

At Larson Middle School, *Innovation Incubator Prototypes and Maker Projects* supported the new project-based elective which engaged students in the design thinking process as they tackled team challenges. These challenges included inventing a new sport, creating the world's best roller coaster, developing a new invention or innovation in the Rebel Tank, and creating a self-directed maker project.

[LEGO in The Library! Making a Makerspace](#)

Students built simple machines and robots, developed code, or created and designed structures using the school *Makerspace*. *Makerspace* is a place where students worked collaboratively on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) projects that encouraged creativity and thinking outside the box.

[Community Coffee](#)

Troy Center for Transition students learned various tasks to support their *Community Coffee* business while developing social, money and community skills needed for greater independence in their own lives.

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