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1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2007, 2012, 2017

Dear *Cougar Alumnus*,

The **Charleroi Area School District Education Foundation (CASDEF)** is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization and a separate entity from the **Charleroi Area School District (CASD)**. Our mission is to help raise funds to provide necessary resources/learning materials for the students and staff of the CASD.

The Covid-19 pandemic has not only created havoc within our own personal lives; but it, also, had a major impact on our schools, educators and students. For the 2022-2023 school year, the **CASDEF is joining forces with the CASD to help raise monies to fund two major renovation projects.**

This year, the CASD updated curriculum includes expanding the **Industrial Arts & Engineering classes**, which incorporates **mechanical drawing, architecture and architectural engineering** classes. In these courses, students need to use a plotter to print their projects. Whether it's an orthographic view of a mechanical part or the floor plan of a house, the plotter is used every day. Currently, the **HP Plotter** being used is very old and outdated. It can only accommodate 3-4 students per class period; making it difficult for students to print and work on projects in a timely manner. The current cost for a new **HP Plotter**, which will enable faster printing and allow all students to make their deadlines, is **\$11,549.00**. With **Alumni** support, we hope to fund this purchase and keep our school district moving forward with STEM oriented classes.

Our second renovation project is to **help refurbish the Charleroi Area Middle School Greenhouse** with updated irrigation system, electrical repairs, and supplies for cold weather planting to introduce new gardening methods and allow for use all year round. This **project** will work in partnership with Penn West University California, incorporating science, consumer science and health and wellness curriculums. Students from 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grades will have the opportunity to grow a variety of plants, learn about healthy eating habits, create new recipes and learn about composting and alternative growing methods. The approximate cost for these updates is **\$10,000.00**.

**Being a Charleroi Alumnus, the Education Foundation is asking for your consideration in supporting the 2022-2023 "Give 5" Alumni Fundraising Drive.** Your contribution of \$5, \$25, \$50, or \$500 can truly make an impact for the students of the CASD. **We are counting on YOU!** Thanking you, in advance, for your consideration. **We are . . . COUGAR PROUD!**

With Warmest Regards,

*Joanne Wiltz*  
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*We are counting on our Alumni for support -  
Any amount helps! Please consider making a  
donation to your Alma Mater. Go Cougars!*