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The Roanoke Valley Governor's School For Science and Technology



2025-2026 RVGS Annual Appeal

We are grateful to the sponsors that have participated in our previous annual fundraising appeals. You have been wonderful to support student opportunities at RVGS. Thank you for your continued partnership, and welcome to those we are reaching out to for the first time.

As in past years, we have made a direct financial appeal to families, friends, alumni, and corporate sponsors to raise money that supports our school and students by adding and maintaining specialty equipment that enhances the educational experience of our current students and future attendees. RVGS is proud to serve the participating school divisions: Bedford County, Botetourt County, Craig County, Floyd County, Franklin County, Roanoke City, Roanoke County, and Salem City.

The funds raised through the Annual Appeal go directly toward materials needed for student research projects during Intersession, as well as specific laboratory instruments. This year the RVGS Foundation would like to purchase an autoclave for use in the biotechnology class. In addition to supporting the purchase of supplies like biotech reagents, equipment for student research projects, the Annual Appeal pays for Project Forum awards, supports student activities, contributes to ISEF travel expenses, and pays for the community outreach position. Our goal is to raise \$35,000 this year.

We ask you to consider donating and would appreciate any support your organization or company would make on RVGS's behalf. Your gift will support RVGS so we can help each student reach their potential. If you have the opportunity, ask a student about their time at RVGS. This experience lasts well beyond their years at our school. Past graduates looking back have noted the exposure to advanced equipment and unique research opportunities at RVGS as a major advantage in later academic pursuits. These opportunities are possible because of donations from you.

Sponsorship levels:

Silver: \$1-\$499

Gold: \$500-\$999

Platinum: \$1,000+

Rhodium: \$2,500+

How to make your donation:

- Online through PayPal - "Donations" under Quick Links on the RVGS website (preferable for moderate sized donations)
- Check made payable to "RVGS Foundation" (preferable for larger donations to minimize online service fees)
- Monthly recurring donations through PayPal (there is a separate donation link for recurring donations; please read the description on the website regarding how recurring donations will be recognized and counted toward the Annual Appeal goal)

Donor Recognition and Tax Information

Donors are publicly recognized on the RVGS website, the Project Forum program, and on a banner that will hang at the school throughout the year. Platinum and rhodium sponsors will also be recognized during the project forum award ceremony. **Donations must be submitted by January 19th 2026 to ensure recognition in Project Forum materials.** The RVGS Foundation is tax exempt 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and donors will receive a letter for tax purposes. Letters for donations made during 2025 will be distributed in the spring of 2026.

Thank you in advance for your support,

The incredibly grateful students, teachers, and staff of RVGS

Please reach out to your Annual Appeal Fundraising Coordinators with any additional questions:

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