

Education Foundation  
for Tyngsborough, Inc.



# 2010 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

## OUR MISSION

*To enhance educational opportunities across Tyngsborough's Public School District through community-based donations and fundraising and to promote awareness of issues related to public education.*

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## 2009-2010 HIGHLIGHTS

Our second year proved to be both productive and fulfilling for the Foundation. New members joined our team to initiate new fundraising opportunities and support our signature events. These efforts enabled the Foundation to **triple** the grant awards in 2010 further strengthening our commitment and partnership with the Tyngsborough Public School District—always with a focus to bring our entire Tyngsborough community together!

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Tyngsborough Trot 5K Run/Walk was held in October 2009. Building on the previous year's success EFT was able to attract over 200 runners and participants for the 5k and Fun Run and over 100 spectators raising over \$9,000. Thank you to all the generous business sponsors and volunteers who continue to make this our "stand out" event of the year.

In November of 2009 the EFT initiated the **Holiday Teacher/Staff Recognition Program**. Families made donations to the EFT in the name of a special or favorite teacher or staff member. Honored individuals received an appreciation award and were entered into a raffle to win a gift certificate.

In January of 2010 the foundation once again welcomed the opportunity to partner with Tyngsborough High School's Theater Program and the Friends of Tyngsborough Theater (FOTT) to produce **Lady Luck Lounge: An Interactive Dinner Theater**. A special thanks to Laurie Marchese for directing another wonderful show. Profits totaling \$4,700 were shared between the EFT and FOTT.



In February the EFT hosted **Karats for Education**, a town wide social where guests shared community, good food and a warm fire at the Tyngsborough Sportsmen's Club. Participants sold their unwanted gold jewelry with a percentage of the sales donated to the EFT generating \$880.

**Spring 2010 Grant Awards** were announced on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Thirteen grants **totaling over \$17,000**, were awarded across the entire school district, funding an assortment of instructional materials and equipment to enrich the learning experiences in the classroom and supplement materials already provided by the school budget.

Ongoing throughout the year was the EFT's Membership Drive, which provides community members an opportunity to have a positive impact on our schools by contributing their time and/or money in support of the EFT's mission. In 2009-2010 over 60 individuals and over 40 businesses made contributions to the Foundation.

As our year comes to conclusion, EFT gives thanks to its many supporters and looks forward to another rewarding year building on our 2010 momentum with new members, fundraising opportunities, and community awareness of our public school district's needs.

## WHY GIVE TO THE EDUCATION FOUNDATION FOR TYNGSBOROUGH?

Public education faces significant economic challenges at a time when it's more important than ever that our students receive an education that prepares them for success in a competitive global marketplace. These economic realities have created the "perfect storm" in the Tyngsborough Public School District resulting in annual layoffs, increased classroom sizes, high user-based fees for athletics and student busing, facility consolidation, and decreased budgets for technology, books, and class curriculum.

In the midst of these economic challenges, the Tyngsborough Public School District's vision to provide a superior education to its 2000+ students will require resources beyond traditional property tax dollars. As a district-wide fundraising organization, EFT is ideally suited to partner with district leaders and educators to secure the additional resources needed to meet its strategic vision and provide extraordinary learning opportunities to its students.

Your investment in the foundation has the power to create a multitude of opportunities for our students by

funding innovative projects, teaching materials, laptop computers, smart boards and other leading-edge technology that would not otherwise be supported by the District's annual budget.

The time is now to get involved, learn more and be a part of our students' education. Please help our community enable these future researchers, scientists, teachers, citizens and leaders of tomorrow.

## GRANTS AWARDED IN 2010

An EFT sub-committee is responsible for overseeing the competitive grant making process each year and making a specific funding recommendation to the Tyngsborough Education Foundation board of directors. In May the board approved a total of \$17,268 to fund the following projects for the 2010–11 school year:

**Re-defining "Bio-tech"** funding Netbook laptops to prepare new THS biology projects. Students will use Google Docs, prepare a Glog for cell structure and function, collaborate on a macro-molecular slide-show, journal images to make a movie to model DNA replication, and more.

**Traveling Art Exhibit** for students in Spanish classes studying a unit on Spanish/French artists. They will be able to see some of Picasso's work before creating their own art work.

**Tumble Books** online subscription of animated books that reinforce the joy of reading. It can be used by early childhood and elementary students from school and home. This is the second year of this grant.

**Traditional Literature in the Classroom** funding materials for 5th grade teachers at TES to teach the traditional literature framework.

**English/Journalism Lab** funding 12 Netbook laptops that will complete a computer lab for THS English and Journalism courses.

**Public Art Display** enabling community members to view student artwork from across the public schools at a rotating display at Tyngsborough's Town Hall.

**Video Projection Mobile Systems** funded for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades at TES allowing lessons to be brought to life with images from the educators' laptops to be displayed in the classroom.

**TES Guidance Class Grant** for supporting materials for the new TES guidance curriculum, purchased for each developmental level across the TES school.

**Flip-Cameras** funded for use by all middle grades for field trips and classroom projects. These cameras will also be used in computer lab classes where students develop multi-media projects.

**Keyboarding Software** enabling 6th graders to learn typing skills.

**TES Outdoor Classroom**, funding seed money to help a team of teacher and parent volunteers begin implementing an outdoor learning classroom for pre-school and kindergarten students.

**SmartBoard for THS Advanced Mathematics** funding an interactive, computerized whiteboard that will be used in AP Statistics, AP Calculus, Honors Algebra and Honors Pre-Calculus classes to make abstract mathematical concepts more visual.



## FINANCIAL STATEMENT FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2010

### REVENUES

#### Unrestricted Contributions

Community Events \$12,604.93

Individual & Corporate Giving \$10,014.34

#### Restricted Contributions

None \$0.00

**Total Funds Available \$22,619**

### EXPENDITURES

#### Education Program Investments

Grants & Awards \$17,211.17

#### Operating Expenses

Fundraising Events \$6,354.99

Administrative Expenses \$560.47

**Total Expenditures \$24,127**

**Revenues in Excess of Expenditures \$(1,507)**

*"EFT continues to enhance our students' educational experiences by funding tangible tools that inspire our students to think creatively, collaborate with their peers and educators and achieve more in-depth understanding of their studies. I'm looking forward to our continued partnership with EFT in the coming years."* Donald Ciampa, Superintendent of Schools

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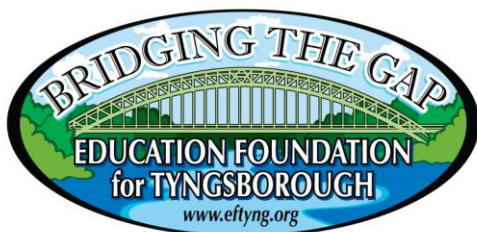
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