



# 2021 - 2022 Annual Report

Perkiomen Valley  
School District  
Foundation



# About Us



## WHO WE ARE

The Perkiomen Valley School District Foundation is an independent 501(c)(3), nonprofit organization created to provide supplemental funding and to enhance the educational opportunities offered to the students of the Perkiomen Valley School District.

The Foundation's mission is to provide funding for projects and programs that would not otherwise be available through tax dollars and other traditional sources.

Don't forget to follow us on social media! We can be found at @PVSDFoundation on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter!

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# PVSD FOUNDATION



## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

As I reflect on the 2021 – 2022 school year, I am proud of what Perkiomen Valley School District Foundation (PVSD Foundation) has accomplished. The Foundation held its first in-person event since 2020 and saw the return of its biggest fundraiser, the Dodgeball Tournament. This school year was also a year for change. The Foundation saw growth in the Wizards and Dodgeball events, grew its online presence, and increased corporate support.



I credit all of this growth to the Perkiomen Valley community; this would not have been possible without your endless support. You came loud and proud to cheer on the PV Dream Team at our Wizards event. At our Dodgeball event, you brought so much passion and intensity for a one-day competition and fundraiser event! And to know that teams already have names, outfits, and themes in mind for next year shows how essential the Foundation is within the school district.

But we aren't done changing! As you might recall, we supported PV Woods with a \$10,000 grant to inspire students to care for the earth and be leaders in environmental action, social equity, and inclusion. We have furthered our partnership by presenting a running series, located at each site.

Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to what the 2022-2023 school year brings.

Take Care,  
Kristin Craven, PVSD Foundation Executive Director



# SUPPORT PVSD FOUNDATION



Contributions made to PVSD Foundation are an investment in stronger educational programs for students and, therefore, an investment in our community. Every time the school district is able to incorporate new and updated programs that challenge and empower students, our students' academic potential grows and our school district community is strengthened. Strong school districts attract new residents, businesses, and students to our community.

## EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT TAX CREDIT (EITC) PROGRAM

PVSD Foundation has been approved by the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) as an educational improvement organization for the 22-23 school year.

Through EITC, a state program that provides companies with tax credits for donations to a non-profit educational improvement organizations, a business can receive a tax credit equal to 75% of a contribution (up to \$750,000). Credits can be increased to 90% of the contribution if a business agrees to provide the same amount for two consecutive years. By donating to the Foundation through EITC, you are supporting public education and keeping state tax dollars in the local community.

Types of businesses that are eligible: C-Corporations, S-Corporations, Partnerships, Sole Proprietors, Limited Liability Companies (LLCs), Subchapter S-Corporations and other businesses that pay their state business taxes under the personal income tax on PA business income.



## OTHER WAYS TO SUPPORT



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### SUPPORT AN EVENT

Sponsor or participate in an event!

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### STOCKS/BONDS/MUTUAL FUNDS

Contact [FoundationED@pvsd.org](mailto:FoundationED@pvsd.org)

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### ONLINE

Visit [bit.ly/Donate2PVSD](https://bit.ly/Donate2PVSD) \*case sensitive

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### AMAZON SMILE

Select PVSD Foundation as your charity of choice!

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### CHECK

Make a check payable to **PVSD Foundation**

Mail to: 3 Iron Bridge Drive, Collegeville, PA 19426

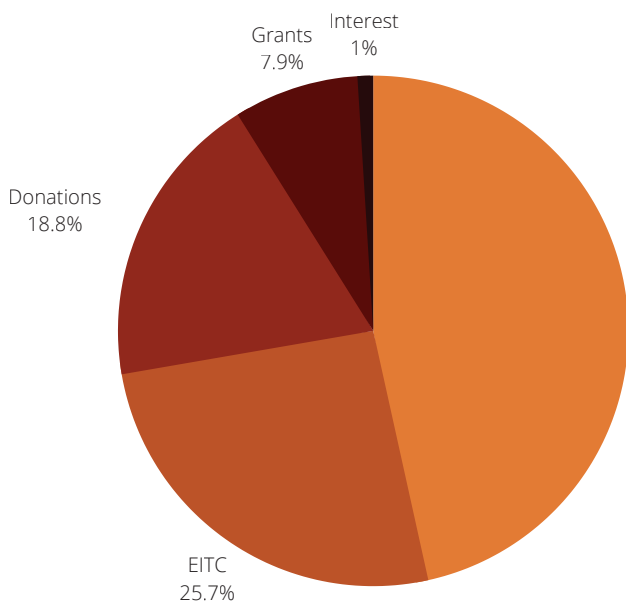
# FOUNDATION BUDGET



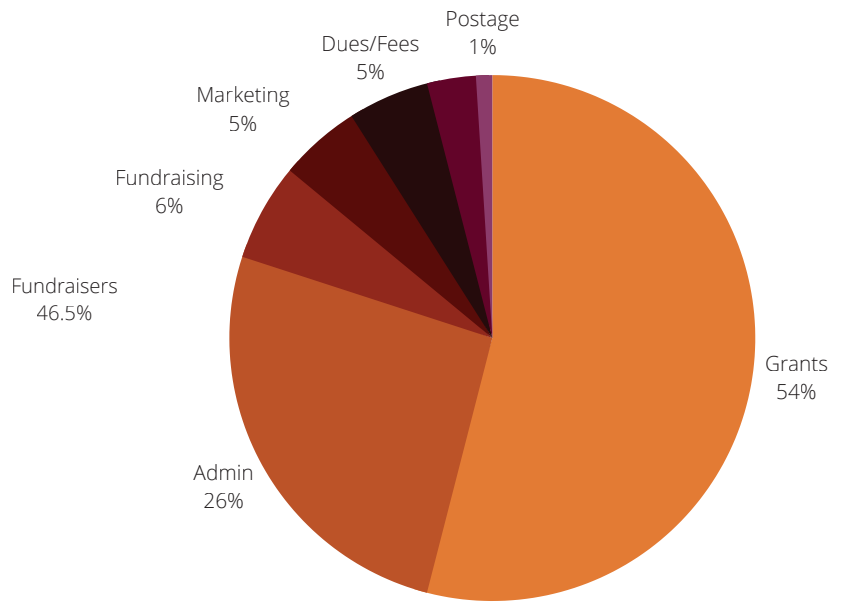
To support our mission, Perkiomen Valley School District relies on donations, the Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program, grants, fundraisers, and interest.

Your donations helped provide funding for 21 grants to enhance the educational experience of students in the district. Without your generous support through donations and our fundraisers, students would not have these opportunities. Thank you!

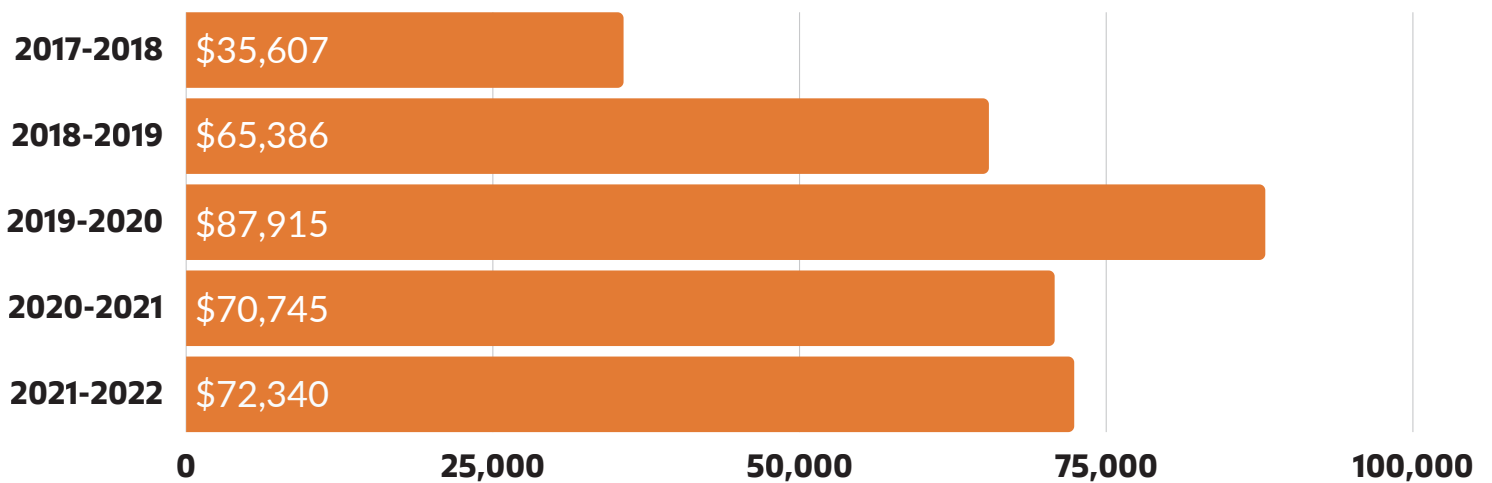
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## Expense Breakdown:



## GRANT MONEY AWARDED BY YEAR



# Event Recap

## **HARLEM WIZARDS: \$14,390.50**

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After losing 80-89, the PV Dream Team provided a lot of entertainment against the Harlem Wizards. Shoutout to our Dream Team: Lisa Barnes, Bryan Beddis, Jared Dubbs, Sean Hodgins, Kacie Kaufmann, Jeena Robinson, Myra Sanchez, Nicole Slater, Carlye Taylor, and Kevin Tomlinson.

Thank you to our event sponsors Fox Rothschild, Lower Perkiomen Little League, CM3 Building Solutions, WTW, Every Level Basketball, and PHM Associates.

## **BOON SUPPLY: \$4,317.45**

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Stay tuned for our next Boon Supply Sale from November 21 - December 2.

## **DODGEBALL: \$24,470.84**

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Our 12th Annual Dodgeball Tournament presented by CM3 Building Solutions was a huge success! We had 67 teams compete in three divisions. Congratulations to our winners, BALL-erinas (Best Dressed), Can't Dodge This (Best Name), Throwbocops (Minor Division), Untouchaballs (Medium Division), Viking Ballers (Major Division), and Cheezeballers (Most raised).

Thank you to our Presenting Sponsor, CM3 Building Solutions, Major Division sponsor Fox Rothschild, OxyMagic, Levin Legal Group, TD, BBD, Hutt's Glass Co., Nothing Bundt Cakes, PFM, PHM Associates, See Pest, Seyle Hickey Wealth Management of Raymond James, STA, and WTW.

## **LOVE YOUR MOTHER 5K: \$1,185.55**

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The first annual Love Your Mother 5K was a rainy success! We are proud to have partnered with PV Woods & Muhlenberg Woods for this event and look forward to a sunnier Love Your Mother 5K in 2023!

Thank you to our sponsors: Black Sheep Pottery & Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy.

## **ANNUAL APPEAL: \$24,786.96**

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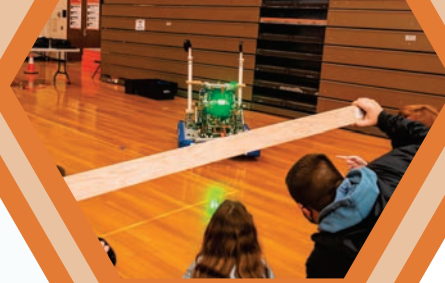
Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Annual Appeal. Our annual appeal runs yearly from July 1 - June 30.





**Your Dollars in Action: Mini-Grants**

**Calm Down Space (SK) \$500**



**VR in the Classroom (HS) \$299**

**Kindness Rock Garden (SW) \$460**

**Robotics Limelight (HS) \$500**



**Wellness Challenge Prizes (SW) \$500**

**Mega Chess Set (HS) \$400**

**Outdoor Equipment (MSW) \$500**

**Perk Up Pins (HS) \$481**

**Planting Seeds for Success (SO) \$500**

**Traveling Yoga Mats (HS) \$500**

**Spanish Makerspace (HS) \$500**



**Solar Powered Experiments (SK) \$500**



# YOUR DOLLARS IN ACTION

\$9,900

## Outdoor Classroom / Schwenksville

The Outdoor Classroom will provide shade for the students at Schwenksville Elementary School. Currently, the outdoor classroom gets full sun during the day, making it difficult to use. With the new shade structure, the outdoor classroom will be a place where students can learn comfortably on a beautiful day.

\$8,500

## Calm Down Corners / Evergreen

Calm Corners at Evergreen Elementary School will provide a space with items and tools in the classroom where students can go to reset when they sense that they are getting angry, frustrated, or over-stimulated. Students will learn to recognize when they need a quick reset before their emotions can escalate to negative actions. The Foundation has funded Calm Down Corners at South Elementary, where they have already observed positive outcomes for students who use them.

\$5,000

## Going Up Stream / District Wide

Going Up Stream will serve PVSD families who need extra support. Through this grant, workshops focusing on financial literacy, resume writing, reading, health resources, and community resources will be offered in an effort to remove barriers to access for these families.

\$23,000

## Interactive Panels / District Wide

Perkiomen Valley School District is starting to install Interactive Panels throughout the district and the Foundation is proud to support the installment of these panels. These interactive flat panels and whiteboards allow teachers and students to bring together traditional drawing, and shape/text tools - plus a multitude of media rich resources - into a single, easy-to-use workspace.







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## **Viking Genius Bar / High School**

**\$5,000**

The Viking Genius Bar (VGB) is looking to expand their operations and the technology offered within the school district. In the 2022-2023 school year, they plan on implementing a 3D printer and vinyl printer as well as supplies. VGB is also building an online store that is open to the public to bridge technology and business practices.

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## **Tinker Tank / Schwenksville**

**\$8,900**

The Tinker Tank aims to promote a student-centered environment that encourages brainstorming, discussion, and creativity at Schwenksville Elementary School. The tinker tank is a space that will include resources such as Marble Run, 3D Doodle Pens, Fuse Bead Boards, Big Domino Blocks, Lego Dots, Qubits Construction, etc. Teachers will have the opportunity to interact with students outside of the classroom setting in this relaxed and explorative area.

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## **Daily Bread Community Food Pantry (DBCFP)**

**\$5,000**

The mission of DBCFP is to eliminate hunger in the Perkiomen area by providing residents in need with programs that provide food, promote the value of nutrition, increase self-sufficiency, and instill hope. In doing so, Daily Bread Community Food Pantry helps to ensure that food relief has a more meaningful, enduring impact.

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## **Family Night / District Wide**

**\$5,000**

Family Night will be an event for the entire school district to participate in, with educational activities the whole family can enjoy. While PVSD has not confirmed activities for next year, the District intends to build off the success of this past year's Harry Potter Family Night and the Foundation Board is excited to be able to support it for the coming school year.

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## **Trout in the Classroom / Evergreen**

**\$1,400**

Pennsylvania Trout in the Classroom at Evergreen Elementary School aims to provide students with hands-on experiences to foster awareness of coldwater conservation and encourage participation in cold water resource projects and recreation programs. Students in fourth grade will raise trout from eggs to fingerlings and, in the end, release them in an approved local stream.

# THANK YOU, STAFF!



We love our PV staff! We are consistently inspired as they apply for grants for innovative projects and programming to raise the next generation of thinkers and leaders. We know sometimes working in a school district can feel like a thankless job, and we wanted to show our PV teachers and staff that we appreciate everything they do for students.

In February, we did a "No ifs, ands, or bundts, we are thankful for you!" with bundt cakes from *Nothing Bundt Cakes Collegeville*. Staff members got to select a personal size bundt cake and chat with a PVSD Foundation Board member. PVSD Foundation also thanked our teachers and staff through our second annual Night at the Reading Phils. Staff members got to enjoy watching the Reading Phils defeat the Hartford Yard Goats 12-10 on August 3rd.



## REVOLUTION PREP

Perkiomen Valley School District Foundation is proud to partner with Revolution Prep to offer SAT/ACT Prep and other tutoring services to the Perkiomen Valley School District families, faculty, and staff. Revolution Prep is a leader in live-online academic and test prep resources and programs that support students and families, K-12 and into college, and employs full-time professional tutors.

Programs available include SAT Boot Camp, ACT 12-Hour Small Group Course, PSAT/NMSQT 24-Hour Small Group Course, and Private Tutoring & Tutoring in over 30 subjects. They also offer FREE webinars on various subjects, including test prep, study habits, college admissions, and more!

Special Pricing is available for those enrolled in the Free & Reduced Lunch program and PVSD full-time faculty and staff. For more information, please visit <https://pv sdfoundation.org/sat-act-prep/>.

# GRANT SPOTLIGHT: VIKING GENIUS BAR

Perkiomen Valley School District Foundation awarded the Viking Genius Bar \$18,000 to get a class started in the 2021-2022 school year.

Through this open-elective class, students work with the IT department to get first-hand experience working with machines and software. The goal of this proposal is for students to support the demand for district hardware and software beyond the capabilities of existing technology staff.

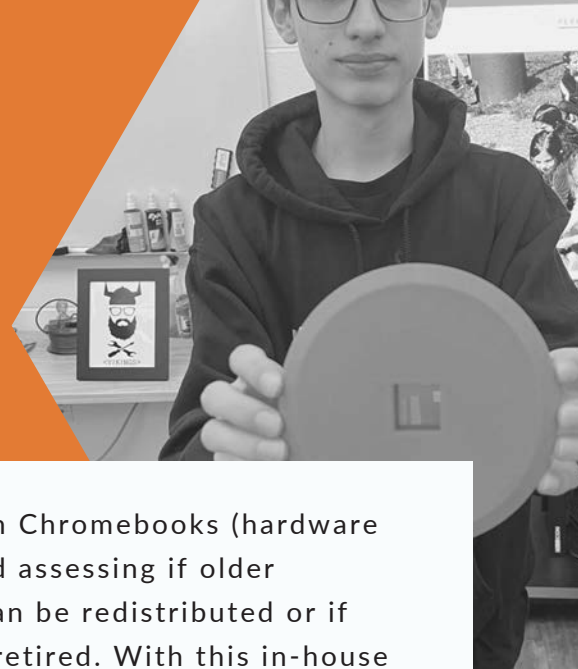
When COVID-19 closed schools and sent students home for learning in March 2020, the Foundation stepped in and donated \$30,000 for the school to get a Chromebook to each student in the district. Now, this class assists with

repairing broken Chromebooks (hardware or software) and assessing if older Chromebooks can be redistributed or if they should be retired. With this in-house Chromebook service desk, the District was able to cancel the warranty and save over \$90,000. In the first year alone, students quality-checked over 600 Chromebooks and programmed over 100 Chromebooks for use within the District.

Beyond Chromebook repairs, students work on their own passion projects. Some projects this past year have included coding, a self-driving RC car, creating a Franken-Chromebook from retired Chromebooks, and a self-drawing whiteboard. Other technologies explored in this class include Virtual Reality (VR), Augmented Reality (AR), a 3-D printer, and drones.

Mr. Karthik Ganesh said of this class, "This course is going to be about the next generation of technology, cyber security, the goal is to at some point have this class cover all the technical operations. So students will be able to learn about the whole operation of how technology works in an institutional environment." This class is available for any high school student.

For more grant spotlights, visit [pvselfoundation.org/grants](https://pvselfoundation.org/grants)





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## UPCOMING EVENTS

SAT Boot Camp



**Oct 29  
& 30**

Fall Colors 5K



**Oct 15**

Boon Supply




**Nov 21 -  
Dec 2**

Dodgeball



**Mar 4, 2023**

SAT Boot Camp



**March 4 & 5,  
2023**

Love Your Mother 5K



**April 29,  
2023**

For full event offerings and information, please visit

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