

BELLEVUE SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

Spring for Schools Overview

What is the Bellevue Schools Foundation?

Established in 1979, Bellevue Schools Foundation (BSF) is the first foundation dedicated to supporting public K-12 initiatives in Washington State. **Our mission is to promote and fund the best possible learning opportunities for all students in Bellevue's public schools.** As a pillar in the community, the Foundation is uniquely positioned to be a catalytic agent of positive change and advancement in the public education sector. The Bellevue School District serves approximately 19,000 students, enrolled in 29 schools, and the Foundation's investments allow students to achieve higher levels of academic success and social-emotional well-being.

With over 100 languages spoken in the District and 125 countries of birth represented, Bellevue Schools Foundation is committed to expanding funding for racial equity and amplifying the diverse voices and strengths of students and families within the Bellevue community.

This year, we are distributing \$800,000 to Bellevue students and educators to fund the following:



Mental Health
and Suicide
Prevention



Early
Learning



Computer
Science
and STEM



Arts,
Enrichment,
and Innovation



National Board
Certification for
Faculty



Equity and
Inclusion



Mentoring
and Community
Engagement

Why do we need Bellevue Schools Foundation?

BSF fills an important role in funding the District. Federal and state funding often comes with limitations. BSF creates an opportunity for educators to experiment with finding solutions to problems or advancing educational outcomes in a new way. Often these programs are adopted more broadly and even funded by the District. With initiatives as diverse as Computer Science and Mental Health, these programs are an essential part of our students' education and growth.

While each school has a Parent-Teacher-Student Association (PTSA) that raises funds for their individual school, BSF's over \$800,000 of funding go to programs across the entire District. BSF also works in coordination with PTSAs and educators at each school to fund grants such as Arts, Enrichment, and Innovation.

What is *Spring for Schools (SFS)*?

SFS is our annual benefit luncheon and largest fundraising event for the year. Historically, the event hosts over 1,000 business professionals, community leaders, and philanthropic donors who are committed to our student's success and well-being. SFS offers an opportunity for the Bellevue community to witness a showcase of students, teachers, and their work in BSF programs, as well as celebrate their accomplishments. This year, the event will offer both in-person and at home participation options.



Why should I attend *Spring for Schools*?

May 13, 2022

11AM-1:30PM | Hyatt Regency Bellevue

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First and foremost, SFS is where the Bellevue community comes together to support the best possible learning opportunities for our students. Without our community's support, our students, teachers, and schools cannot achieve. Period.

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Second, SFS provides a window into the innovative, creative, and downright awesome work of our students and educators. SFS will inspire you.

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And finally, SFS is an opportunity to gather with a table of approximately 10 other people as we celebrate the important work we are doing together. SFS unites us in a common cause.

Look for a registration link in your email or on our website. We hope to see you there!



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