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Monthly Newsletter

It's Scholarship Season for LCPS Students and Educators



From the desk of Executive Director Danielle Nadler: The Loudoun Education Foundation is dedicated to supporting learners at any stage of their educational journey!

Our signature scholarship programs open every January and are designed to support:

- graduating seniors who are pursuing their academic and professional dreams;
- teachers who are looking to expand their professional horizons;
- classified LCPS staff who want to transition into teaching.

One such scholarship is the [Elaine Avington Griffin Unsung Educators Scholarship](#), which is specifically designed for the children of custodians, food service staff, transportation and facilities, and maintenance staff, recognizing the critical roles they play in the health, safety and education of LCPS students.

The story and person behind the scholarship (pictured here on a trip to Mexico in 1973) are intriguing. I encourage you to read more about it - and apply! [LEARN MORE](#)



Nadler Honored as Top Nonprofit Executive



Congratulations to Executive Danielle Nadler, who was honored at the Loudoun Chamber's 55th Annual Meeting & Community Leadership Awards Gala in January!

Nadler joined LEF in January 2021 and was elevated to Executive Director that June. As a long-time resident of the Loudoun community, the daughter of a school teacher and the product of public schools, this role has come naturally.

Under Nadler's stewardship, the LEF team has grown to meet the needs of LCPS students and educators, including expansions of its signature Backpack Coalition program, K-12 Computer Science Pipeline initiative, Reach Virginia Teacher Mentor program and more.

"We all know that's true here in Loudoun: when the school system thrives, then the business community thrives, and vice versa," Nadler said, in accepting the award. "I love that synergy, and I'm so thankful I get to play a very small role in creating that collaboration."

Chamber President & CEO Tony Howard said: "Loudoun is blessed with so many leaders who give generously of their time, energy and resources to make this our nation's finest community to grow a business, pursue your passion and raise a family."

Members of the LEF staff, trustees and directors were on hand to celebrate the night, which also included a \$1,000 grant, courtesy of the Community Foundation of Loudoun and Northern Fauquier Counties. Nadler chose to give the grant funds to LAWS Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Services. [LEARN MORE](#)

Year of the Educator Giveaways Continue



Congratulations to Michael Shenkman, a social and global science teacher at Briar Woods High School, and the February winner in our Year of the Educator celebration!

As his prize, Mr. Shenkman received a:

- \$350 gift card to TicketMaster to take his family to a baseball game of his choice.
- \$250 Costco shop card,
- baseball,
- small Washington Nationals bat
- package of Big-League Chew bubblegum!

Additional sponsors for this beautiful program are needed, so please reply to this email if you are interested in participating.

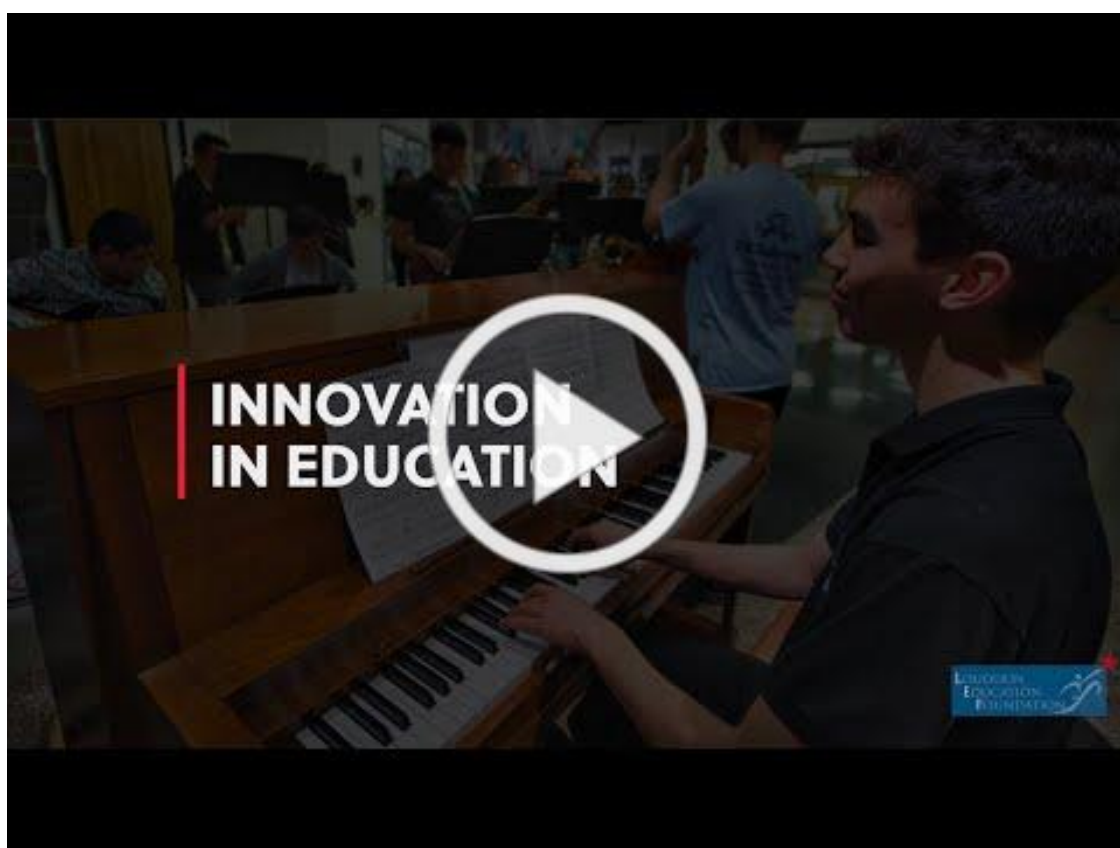
Partner Spotlight: Data Centers



We want to thank the data center community for their generous support of LEF's work.

Companies such as Amazon Web Services, Google, Equinix and Microsoft, plus the data center industry group 7x24, have gifted donations and volunteer hours to support our mission of empowering LCPS students and educators to dream big. Hear more about their partnership in this [WTOP interview](#).

Innovation In Education Grants Open

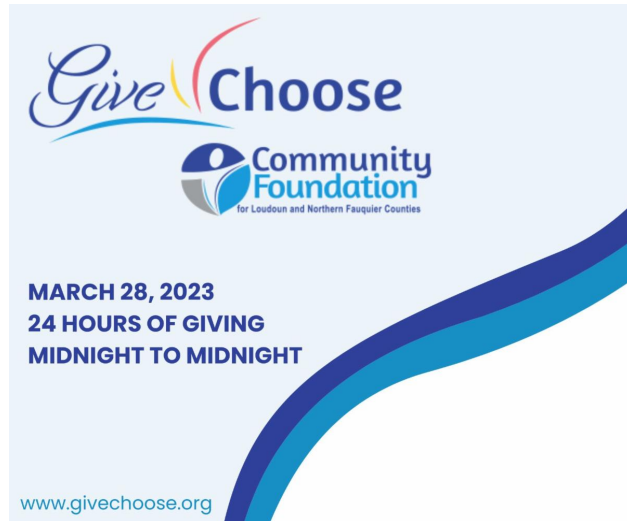


The Loudoun Education Foundation's Spring cycle of the Innovation in Education classroom grants is now open.

In partnership with Claude Moore Charitable Foundation, LEF is giving away \$25,000 for innovative projects that support students' success beyond the classroom.

Applications close March 8th. [APPLY TODAY](#)

Mark Your Calendars: Give Choose Day, 3/28



LEF is gearing up for **Give Choose 2023**, a 24-hour day-of-giving campaign organized by the Community Foundation of Loudoun and Northern Fauquier Counties to benefit local charities.

LEF's fundraising focus is our [Diversifying the Teacher Workforce Scholarship](#). This scholarship is awarded to qualifying high school seniors or classified employees who will be pursuing their teaching degrees.

Please mark your calendar for March 28, and help us beat last year's fundraising total!

Interested in becoming a matching sponsor? Contact our [Director of Development Kari Murphy](#).

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