

Anamosa Community School District Foundation 21214 100th Street Anamosa, IA 52205

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Dear Community Member,

The Anamosa Community School Foundation Board sincerely hopes this letter finds you healthy and well in what has been an unprecedented year. As an article from one of my old college professors said, "Look around you, and include in that looking yourself, and see, really see, all the ways you have adapted to this pandemic...We all deserve a pat on the back."

Many of you receiving this letter deserve a pat on the back for the years of support you have provided the Anamosa Community School Foundation (ACSF). All of us on the Board, and our educators and administrators, thank you. We all feel strongly about supporting the kids in our community. They are our future. And while they adapt to wearing masks, online learning, and disrupted schedules and activities, we must adapt with them.

The Foundation Board is adapting by making an early decision to forgo our traditional annual fundraiser--the Foundation Auction. However, it is our aim to continue to fundraise to meet the evolving requests the Foundation receives in support of our students and teachers.

This year we are keeping it SIMPLE. In short, this means we are replacing the Foundation Auction with this letter of request to make a donation to ACSF. Here's how you can help:

S upport: Show your support with a personal or business donation. All donations are tax deductible, and you don't have to wait for the auction to give. You can make a tax-deductible donation dated 2020 or 2021. The Anamosa Community Schools Foundation is a 501C3 nonprofit organization (Tax ID 42-13855468). We accept cash, checks, and Venmo @anamosacommschoolfound. Donations can be mailed to: Anamosa Community School Foundation, Citizens Bank, 215 E Main Street, Anamosa, IA 52205.

I owa Tax Credit: A 25% endow Iowa tax credit is appreciated by many donors who elect to make a donation to the Anamosa Community Schools Foundation *through* the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque. For example, someone required to take a minimum required distribution, could direct it to Anamosa Community School Foundation via the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque, and the donor pays no tax and receives a 25% state of Iowa tax credit. You can make gifts to the Anamosa Community School Foundation online

M utual funds: The Anamosa Community School Foundation can receive various methods of monetary gifts including appreciated assets via the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque. Donors may give gifts of stock and mutual funds, grain, life insurance, etc. The donor can take a deduction for the full market value to avoid capital gains. Another creative way to give!

P eople: The Foundation Board will miss the opportunity to see all of you and be with you in person to socialize, bid on unique items, and see the funds raised go to a great cause. Auction night is one that many of us look forward to every year. Let us know you're out there and wish you could come by making a donation in honor of someone special in your life—a child, a great teacher, a coach, or some person who has made a positive impact in your life.

L ike, Learn, and Share: Read about how ACSF has benefited students, and "like" the Anamosa Community School Foundation posts on Facebook. Share with your friends so they can learn about the great things the Foundation provides to students and teachers in our schools.

www.anamosa.k12.ia.us/foundation/

https://www.facebook.com/anamosaschoolfoundation/

E ngage in the Facebook Excitement to Come: Continue to check the Anamosa Community School Foundation Facebook page often. We've got more fun planned in the coming months for you to see. In addition, Facebook is where we'll recognize donors, so you can give your neighbors and friends, and yourself, a pat on the back for adapting and supporting this great cause.

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We look forward to seeing everyone back at the auction as soon as we can safely do so, and we sincerely appreciate your support for enhanced educational opportunities for our students.

Thank you,

The Anamosa Community School Foundation Board

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