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## **CCHS Foundation Funds New Teaching and Learning Opportunities Through Spring Teacher Grants**

New and exciting opportunities await Charlotte Catholic High School teachers and students, thanks to several classroom grants generously funded by the CCHS Foundation last month.

More than \$27,000 is being provided to support teaching and learning initiatives across many CCHS departments and classrooms. The grants are aligned with the Foundation's mission to enrich the spiritual, academic, and cultural development of CCHS students.

“The quality of grant requests we received this spring was outstanding,” commented LynnErin Tyler, President of the CCHS Foundation. “Our teachers were thoughtful and creative in seeking wonderful enrichment items for their teaching endeavors. We are excited to be supporting so many

of our teachers – and through them, our students – with items that will enhance learning in engineering, science, and English classes, along with many others.”

This year’s classroom grants include the following:

- Professional development and collaboration opportunities for the English department, including contemporary writing speakers to expose students to professionals in the field
- Review packets for AP Economics students to help them prepare for the AP exam
- An aquaponics lab or campus greenhouse for the Science Department, allowing students to learn about technologically innovative approaches to farming and plant culture
- A set of precision machining technology textbooks and a professional machinist inspection tool set for Engineering classes
- A Jamboard, which is a STEM tool used to create an engaging and collaborative workspace in which multiple computers are projected at once, allowing technology to be present in all project-based learning activities in all departments
- Video editing equipment and software that will allow students to learn to craft professional film projects, learn to stream live events, and edit productions and presentations, all of which are valuable skills in almost any field
- College Application Bootcamp, which provides three designated weekends in the fall for students to come to school to work on college applications with two counselors present

The Foundation awards classroom grants two times during each school year, in the fall and spring. Applications for grants will be accepted again in the fall of 2018. The grants are funded in part through fundraisers such as The Gala, which was held on March 17<sup>th</sup> at Carmel Country Club.

“Our grants program has been in place for many years, recently expanding to allow for two grants cycles each year, and the ability to fill even more of

our teachers' classroom needs," continued Mrs. Tyler. "The Foundation focuses entirely on supporting CCHS. We are so thankful for the generous contributions of our donors who enable us to enhance our school community through this and many other CCHS-focused programs."

The CCHS Foundation has worked to support Charlotte Catholic for more than 40 years. All of the money raised by the Foundation stays at the school to fund classroom grants, faith-related initiatives, scholarships, special awards honoring the school's best teachers, and the new Teacher Impact Fund, which is designed to reward and retain the talented and dedicated faculty members who ensure academic excellence at CCHS. The CCHS Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. For additional information about the Foundation, please visit [www.cchsfoundation.org](http://www.cchsfoundation.org).

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