



Monthly Minute

A monthly “hello” from the Cloquet Educational Foundation with news, information, and small “seeds” for your in-box



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Mission Statement:

The Cloquet Educational Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, provides opportunities for academic, artistic, athletic, cultural, and social growth for children and youth in the Cloquet area by financially supporting programs and activities.

About US

The Cloquet Educational Foundation believes an ideal community promotes educational excellence by supporting learning opportunities for children-in the classroom and beyond-so they can develop into healthy, productive adults.

Our purpose is to secure funding for educational opportunities for Cloquet students from birth through high school graduation. We work in partnership with the Cloquet Public Schools and the community to accomplish goals.

Our funding does not replace school district responsibilities. It works to enhance dollars by providing necessary support for prioritized educational initiatives and creative and innovative programs.

It’s fall! It’s fire season!

There is nothing like a good bonfire to get in the spirit of fall. Safe bonfires are a special thing. Gazing into a blazing fire on a cold evening is soul warming. With wood smoke swirling, marshmallows on hand, and friends chatting, “fire bathing” is a right of fall.

But I can’t think of this time of year without remembering the spark from the trains that ignited the Fire of 1918. Although many of our citizens were spared (thank you Depot Agent Fauley and Chief McSweeney), our whole town was burned to ashes. It was a depressing horror as people filtered back into town. But within a week of the fire, an area newspaper headline read, “**What About the Kids?**”. Long story short, Cloquet Schools were able to rally and start conducting school as early as the next month. It is my building - the Garfield building - that housed all those students that fall/winter as it was the only building left standing in the wasteland left by the conflagration.

I see it now - **the “rally”**- occurring again. Covid is still “a thing”, but I see educators diving in with enthusiasm. Kids are back in school and enjoying their time with teachers and friends. Sports are allowing us to spend good times with each other in our community. Innovative grants are coming into the CEF which means positive things are happening in the district. You will notice the signs around town proclaiming we are indeed “Lumberjack Strong”. We are “on fire” (pun intended).

Check out the following grants awards for fall:

- Activity Fee Grants
- Reading Intervention Leveled Library Materials
- Choice Novels
- Title One Books
- Battle of the Books
- Choral Folders
- Early Childhood Playground fund
- The Great Read-A-Way
- Expanded CAAEP Drum Ensemble
- Whiteboard Walls for Student Collaboration
- Attendance Incentive Programs
- “The Show Must Go On”
- Reading Promotions

Do you know someone who would like to receive this in their in-box each month? Contact us at jacers@isd94.org

The CEF will be accepting grants for the winter grant cycle on Monday, October 25th and due in the CEF office on Monday, December 13th.

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Spotlight on our supporters:

ProPrint, Duluth



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Cloquet Educational Foundation's
20th Annual
Lumberjack Blue Jean Ball

Saturday, February 5, 2022
Otter Creek Events Center
Black Bear Casino

5:00 pm- Doors Open
6:00 pm - Dinner

***Auctions, *Games**
***Social Hour**
*** Fun**

***Support Education in Cloquet**

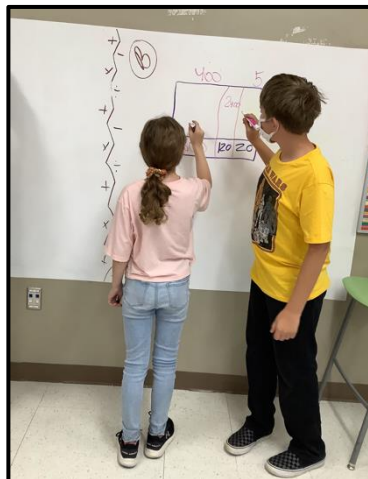
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Meet Jenny Blatchford,
the CEF's newest Board Member!



Welcome Jenny Blatchford to the board of the Cloquet Educational Foundation. Jenny comes to us as wife to Scott and mom to Nicole and Nate (both CHS grads), community volunteer and employee at Boldt Construction. Here are "5 Questions for Jenny":

1. **What is your favorite thing you have bought this year?** My 25-year wedding anniversary ring.
2. **In my free time I like to:** go camping, hiking, photography, scrapbooking
3. **Meet my family:** Husband Scott, Nicole U of M Mpls grad this year in Dental Hygiene & Nate 1st year at NDSCS Wahpeton ND - auto technician - two dogs Emma & Marshmallow, cat Chloe
4. **Favorite holiday:** 4th of July
5. **Why do you love Cloquet:** Small town spirit, great neighbors, close friends and that it's next to one of the most beautiful places in MN - Jay Cooke State Park.
6. **Something I didn't know about the CEF before I was on the board:** How many different programs are financially assisted - the impact the foundation has on every student in the district



CEF Funded Grant: **Whiteboard Walls for Student Collaboration**

This grant submitted by the CMS math department incorporates best practices for practical mathematical discussion. The department will apply whiteboard paint to walls to create space for mathematical concepts.



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