



Request for Proposals Spring 2025

The Hamburg Area Education Foundation is an independent, nonprofit foundation organized to direct financial contributions to programs for students, educators and the community. Programs include teacher and student grants, fine arts enhancement projects, and community-based educational programs throughout the Hamburg Area School District.

The goals of the HAEF are:

- ❖ To enhance educational opportunities for all students
- ❖ To encourage and support innovative educators
- ❖ To build community involvement through a wide range of educational initiatives
- ❖ To strengthen the commitment of alumni support for academic programs

The HAEF is seeking proposals which will address these goals. Collaboration among educators, community members and students in all grades of the Hamburg Area School District is encouraged. Project funding will be available for one year.

Proposals must be returned to:

Hamburg Area Education Foundation, 701 Windsor Street, Hamburg, PA 19526 and received by April 4, 2025.

Proposals received after this time will not be considered for funding.

Four categories of competitive grants are available in Spring 2025: ***Student Opportunity Grants*** and ***Student Community Service Grants***. Teachers may apply for a ***Teacher Opportunity Grant*** or a ***Teacher EITC Program Proposal***.

➤ ***Student Opportunity Grants:***

Up to \$500.00 will be awarded to one or more students enrolled in the Hamburg Area School District. To be eligible, applicants must propose how the project exceeds the HASD curriculum while enhancing student learning beyond the scope of normal required school expenditures and/or the required course. This includes projects that support an academic background, technology education, leadership, or a focus in the sciences. Eligible applications must clearly outline what students will know, learn, and be able to do following the project's completion. Projects focusing on athletic or music projects that can be alternatively funded through sports and music associations, as well as projects sponsored or operated by any sects, churches and denominations will not be accepted.

Your application must include literature describing the attended program and proof of program cost.

Checks will be made payable to the program/camp/organization which the student will be attending. In the event that the student can provide proof of payment, checks will instead be made payable to the student.

➤ ***Student Community Service Grants:***

Up to \$250.00 will be awarded to students to support community service projects. Projects that involve local residents, businesses or organizations are encouraged. Funding can be used for materials, public awareness, or supplies. All Hamburg Area School District students are eligible.

➤ ***Teacher EITC Program Proposal:***

The HAEF continues to support teacher programs through the PA Earned Income Tax Credit Program (EITC). Teacher programs will be funded through the EITC and Hamburg Area Education Foundation funds. Contact Mrs. McCarthy-Wright at termcc@hasdhawks.org for more information.

➤ ***Teacher Opportunity Grants:***

Up to \$500.00 will be awarded to teachers for programs that will enhance the quality of learning in the classroom. Funding can be used to purchase materials or to support educational activities. All Hamburg Area School District teachers are eligible. Checks will be directly written to successfully approved applicants.

To be successfully selected...

- Proposals should clearly define the scope of the project or program, the intended participants, expected outcomes, and the costs, materials and equipment involved.
- The description clearly outlines what students will know, learn, and be able to do following the project's completion.
- A brief project report must be submitted upon completion of project or program objectives.
- All proposals must include an ***HAEF Grant Application Form*** and a plan of work correlated to a timeline for the project.
- Applicants who receive a *Student Opportunity Grant* or *Community Service Grant* from the HAEF are expected to help advance opportunities for future applicants by participating at a future HAEF fundraising event.

Awards will be made based on a competitive proposal process. All qualifying proposals will be reviewed. Funding decisions, including those for tuition, travel expenses, conference fees, or other pertinent expenses, are not a guarantee and are at the sole discretion of the HAEF Board of Directors. Project funding will be available for one year. Awards will be presented at our annual Awards Ceremony during an upcoming School Board Meeting (meeting date TBA) in the Hamburg Area High School.



For Official Use Only:

Date received: _____

Funded: _____

HAEF Grant Application Form

Check One: ☐ ***Student Opportunity Grant*** ☐ ***Student Community Service Grant***
☐ ***Teacher Opportunity Grant*** ☐ ***Teacher EITC Program Proposal***

Name of Applicant: _____

School: _____

Contact Information:

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Type of Project: _____

Note: Please provide a description of your project plans. Description should include why this project is needed, how many Hamburg Area School District students, staff and community members will participate, and what the expected benefits will be for those involved. The description should not exceed two (2) pages, and must be submitted with this form.

Budget (*attach additional pages if necessary*):

| Item: | Cost: |
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Total Amount Requested: _____

Upon approval, grant check will be made payable to the organization, unless otherwise noted. Please indicate:

Check Payable to: _____

Mailing Address of Organization/Program/Camp: _____

Applications must be submitted by April 4, 2025, to:
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