Shrewsbury Public Schools Colonial Fund

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Continuing to Grow

Thanks to your support, the Colonial Fund has continued to grow in the early months of 2017. We've received many corporate matching gifts and recurring donations that have helped us raise over \$27,400 for the Colonial Fund this school year.

If you haven't donated yet, there is still time to give and support innovation in our schools.

DONATE NOW

Colonial Fund Dollars At Work

Thanks to your generosity, this Fall the Colonial Fund was able to support significantupgrades to outdated and broken equipment in the television studio atShrewsbury High School. Despitemany other technology changes at the High School, much of the EducationalTelevision Studio (ETS) equipment has not been updated since the school openedalmost 15 years ago.



Because of this investment, students will

now have hands-onexperience working with up-to-date video technology that is standard in theindustry. Students' collaborative and independent programs will be broadcast in beautiful HD, highlighting theoreativity and effort of the students, much more than the outdated andrestrictive standard definition.

"I'mthrilled that the studio will finally update to HD...the studio upgrade willbring us into the 21st century, and I couldn't be more excited." ~Artie, an ETS student

"The students and I are extremely grateful to the Colonial Fund for making this long-overdue and badly needed upgrade possible and we can't wait to start using the equipment." ~ Maggie Korab, ETS teacher

For more information about these improvements and why they were needed, click <u>here</u>. For examples of the impressive work the ETS has produced, please visit <u>here</u>.

A New Project: Portrait of A Graduate



On January 13, a workgroup of parents, teachers and school administrators came together to begin defining Shrewsbury's "Portrait of a Graduate". This Portrait will encompass what we believe is mostcritical for our students to know and be able to do by the time they graduatefrom Shrewsbury High School.

Having this profile well articulated will help inform the district's next set of strategic priorities and the instructional decision making across our schools. This work is part of an ongoing community discussionstarted last year with the screening of the *Most Likelyto Succeed* documentary and the establishment of adistrict-wide Innovation in Learning Study Group.

Prior to coming together, the workgroup members read *Linchpin: Are You Indispensable?* by Seth Godin which talks about how individuals can make significant impacts within their organizations and the value of people who are problem seekers and solution finders. If you're interested in learning more about the ideas in this book, click here to watch a short video.

The workgroup will meet again on February 10 and March 17 to complete the work for this important project.

April 9 - 10th Annual Road Scholars Race

On Sunday April 9, we will host the 10th annual Shrewsbury Road Scholars 5K & 1M Fun Run to benefit the Colonial Fund. We're very excited for this milestone year and are working hard to make it our biggest race yet.

Registration is now open. Go to <u>www.shrewsburyroadscholars.org</u> to sign up.

Shrewsbury Road Scholars 5k Race & 1 Mile Fun Run

APRIL 9, 2017
Oak Middle School
45 Oak Street

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