



## Shrewsbury Public Schools

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6 May 2020

To: School Committee

Subject: ANONYMOUS DONATION TO THE DISTRICT

### **Background**

In accordance with School Committee Policy 911: Gifts and Donations, we are proposing the acceptance of a new anonymous donation in the amount of \$50,000. Since it is valued over \$5,000, acceptance requires an affirmative vote by the School Committee.

We are very grateful that the donors, a Shrewsbury family with a child in our school district, seek to support our students during an already difficult financial time, that has intensified due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **Intended Use of the Donation**

The donors wish to support the following unbudgeted and new COVID-19 related expenses.

<b>Unbudgeted Covid-19 Expense Estimating</b>	<b>Cost/Estimate</b>
<b>Educational technology resources to mitigate learning loss during school closure</b>	
Cellular iPads for students without home internet	\$ 10,000
SeeSaw Educational Software [1 yr.] to provide remote learning at elementary level	\$ 12,500
Zoom software, Educational/Professional license [1 yr] to facilitate remote learning and meetings at all levels	\$ 27,500
	<b>\$ 50,000</b>

In accordance with the policy, the Committee should know that the donors have no contingencies or expectations as a result of this donation, and the donation is a clear example of their altruism and hope to sustain the school district during this unprecedented time.

### **Recommendation**

It is strongly recommended that the School Committee vote to accept this generous donation.