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Donors of \$1,000 or more will be recognized on our new Bengal Pride Supporters Plaque prominently displayed in the lobby of Bloomfield High School, as well as in our Annual Report. Gifts of appreciated securities, gifts of life insurance, bequests, and multi-year commitments are also welcome.







"I greatly benefited from the BEF-sponsored SAT prep classes. These complimentary classes are non-existent in many of my friend's schools." - Tulsi Patel



### **MISSION STATEMENT**

It is the mission of The Bloomfield Educational Foundation to enhance the quality of education and educational opportunities for the students of the Bloomfield School District.







# **\* BLOOMFIELD EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION \* PRIDE IN EXCELLENCE CAMPAIGN**

Helping to Send More of Today's Bloomfield High School Students to College

Since our founding in 1999, The Bloomfield Educational Foundation (BEF) has been enhancing the quality of education and educational opportunities for the students of the Bloomfield School District.

Our Pride in Educational Excellence campaign was launched in 2015 to offer opportunities to all BHS students - giving them the chance to improve themselves and to have options for college, and careers.

Our Foundation has committed to invest at total of \$250,000 to support the following three innovative programs:

- The Helen Flannery '43 Standard Aptitude Testing (SAT) Student Preparation **Classes Program** funds professional courses for juniors and seniors taking the Standardized Aptitude Test [SAT]. Research shows that students who are able to take an SAT prep course increase their scores by 200 points!
- The Howard Friedman '59 Advanced Placement (AP) Honors Institute for Teachers **Program** provides training at the Advanced Placement Institute for all Bloomfield High School teachers, current and future, who teach AP classes.
- The Anthony Ruvo '55 Advanced Placement Testing for Students Program pays for all AP testing fees for all students enrolled in an AP course. Students who earn a 3 or higher on AP tests typically qualify for college credits and a score of 4 or 5 could mean scholarship opportunities!



#### "My vision is to change the culture, raise the bar and remove the barriers at Bloomfield High School.

This three-pronged approach of professional preparation courses for the SAT's, teachers who inspire and excite students in the Advanced Placement classes, and the removal of all testing fees for AP tests, will enable so many more students to achieve higher scores on the college entrance exams. In the advanced placement arena, it will be a game changer for this high school for years to come."

Chris Jennings, Principal

Pride in Educational Excellence

Thanks in large part to the many individuals and businesses who have supported BEF's Pride in Educational Excellence campaign, our collective contributions of over \$100,000 thus far have spurred tremendous results for BHS students and national recognition for the extraordinary progress our school continues to see.

- Nearly half of the students who signed up for our free SAT prep classes in 2017 increased their scores by at least 150 points!
- BHS has been designated a "National Breakthrough School" by the National Association of Secondary Schools Principals recognizing that we are a high-achieving school serving a large number of economically disadvantaged students.
- Our provision of free Advanced Placement (AP) testing fees have helped double enrollment in AP classes since 2012, and the number of AP exams being taken has increased 180%!
- BHS was named to the College Board's AP Honor Roll a second time since our campaign began, recognizing the growth of our program and its effectiveness in increasing the percentage of students earning a score of 3 or higher on the tests.

Yet there are so many more students who could still benefit from these programs. With the success of these programs widely recognized among our students and their parents, we have a waiting lists of students anxious to participate.

We need your help now to raise the additional \$150,000 to complete our pledge commitment and assure our students are given every opportunity to succeed.

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The Bloomfield Educational Foundation is a registered 501c3 charity founded in 1999 to enhance the educational experiences for all students of the Bloomfield School District.





*"I took the AP courses not* only for college but to challenge myself. Getting college credit and a higher GPA for applications is certainly fantastic, but when I feel more challenged in the classroom, I am more *motivated to continuously* work hard."

– Joe Bumpus



"Without the BEF, my *limited budget would have* allowed me to take only the most important AP courses. Instead, I was able to experience classes that I know sparked new passions and motivated me day in and day out."

– Emily Paula