YOUR GIFT TO WICHITA’S FUTURE

Wichita Public Schools

“In 2018-19, the Education EDGE helped Wichita Public Schools students and classrooms for the 15th consecutive school year. The EDGE has distributed more than $1.37 million for mini-grants, fine arts, and athletics. In 2018-19, more than 500 USD 259 employees and retirees, as well as community donors, made one-time or automatic payroll deductions. 100% of donations stay in the district. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.”

-- Dr. Alicia Thompson, Superintendent

EVERY DONOR MAKES A DIFFERENCE FOR OUR STUDENTS

A Community Legacy
In 2003, the Board of Education created Wichita Public Schools Gift Funds to provide support for classroom mini-grants, athletics, and fine arts activities. Each spring, the Board approves funding distributions for the following school year. The EDGE Annual Report is at usd259.org/edge.

Wichita Community Foundation
Your Education EDGE donation will be deposited at the Wichita Community Foundation (WCF). As a 501(c)(3) organization, the Foundation is an independent public charity. All donations qualify for charitable contributions under IRS regulations.

For more information about the Wichita Community Foundation, please visit www.wichitacf.org or call 316-264-4880.

Classroom Mini-Grants
The Education EDGE Classroom Mini-Grant program supports school-based licensed staff in their efforts to provide innovative, quality educational opportunities to students. EDGE Mini-Grants align with curricular standards and the district’s Multi-Tier System of Supports (MTSS) initiative.

Athletics
The Wichita Public Schools offers 28 interscholastic sports for over 6,000 middle and high school students each year. The EDGE Athletics Gift Fund is used to purchase student athletic equipment, uniforms, and trainer supplies.

Fine Arts
All students in the Wichita Public Schools may participate in visual arts, theater, and vocal and instrumental music. The EDGE Fine Arts Gift Fund is used to purchase beginning musical instruments and fine arts equipment for classrooms and/or auditoriums.

Your Donation is Welcome
Your are invited to make a general contribution to the EDGE or specific contributions to the Classroom Mini-Grants, Fine Arts, and/or Athletics Gift Funds. For general contributions, the donation will be equally shared by the three funds. Ten percent of your contribution will be invested in an endowment to ensure the future of the EDGE.

Thanks for Your Support!

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WPS Gift Funds Donor Form

**Automatic Payroll Deduction: USD 259 Employee Donor**

Please return donor form only if you are making a new donation or are revising your Payroll donation.

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**First Name, MI, Last Name**  **Building**  **Employee ID**

I wish to contribute to the **Wichita Community Foundation** for the benefit of Education EDGE, the Wichita Public Schools Gift Fund(s). I understand that 10% of my donation will be designated for Endowment within the selected fund(s). This Endowment will ensure a legacy for the future. If I only enter a Total Contribution amount, I understand that my automatic payroll deduction will be distributed evenly to all three Gift Funds.

I authorize my employer to withhold the following amount from my first paycheck of each month.

Please distribute as follows (enter amount for one or more funds and Total Contribution):

$_____ per month to the Athletics Gift Fund.
$_____ per month to the Fine Arts Gift Fund.
$_____ per month to the Classroom Mini-Grants Gift Fund.

$_____ **Total Contribution per month to Wichita Community Foundation for Education EDGE**

I understand my payroll deduct pledge will be distributed as indicated above each month paid beginning the first month after the receipt of your form. This Payroll Deduction will continue until I give written notice (two weeks in advance) of my withdrawal from the plan.

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**Employee’s Signature**  **Date**

The Wichita Community Foundation does not provide goods or services in whole or as partial consideration for any contributions made to the organization by payroll deduction.

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**Single Contribution: Community or USD 259 Employee Donor**

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**First Name, MI, Last Name**  **Street Address, City, State, Zip Code**  **Phone**

How would you like your name to be listed on receipt: ____________________________________________

**If you are a USD 259 employee, please list your building location:** ________________________________

I am enclosing a check for my contribution to be distributed as follows (no cash):

$_____ to the Athletics Gift Fund.
$_____ to the Fine Arts Gift Fund.
$_____ to the Classroom Mini-Grants Gift Fund.

$_____ **Total Contribution to Wichita Community Foundation for Education EDGE.**

**Online:** Please go to [www.wichitacf.org/donate](http://www.wichitacf.org/donate) or scan QR code at right. On the WCF donor page select Other Funds, then select WPS Education EDGE fund of your choice.

Please make check payable to: Wichita Community Foundation.

Return this form to Education EDGE, Morris Center – Fine Arts office, 903 S. Edgemoor, Wichita, KS 67218. Gifts to the **Wichita Community Foundation** for the benefit of Education EDGE, the Wichita Public Schools Gift Fund(s), are deductible to the extent allowed by law. All giving is voluntary, and USD 259 employees are not required to return this form. For more information, please send an e-mail to edge@usd259.net. Thank you!