



It was a privilege to serve the Penn Manor School District for my entire 37 years in education. My start as an elementary art teacher in 1972, was followed by work in the high school as photography teacher, assistant principal and my last twelve years as principal. I was honored to work with great students

and a dedicated staff, second to none, supported by a caring community.

After retiring in 2009, I initially struggled to find the same level of meaning in my life that I had always experienced in our schools. When asked to serve on the Board of the Penn Manor Education Foundation, I jumped at the chance to renew my connection to the school district. I am proud to be part of PMEF's efforts to raise funds to support our staff and students. Venture Grants fund teachers' project ideas to expand educational opportunities for our students. The Strong Grants provide for students and families who face financial and emotional hardships. I've also been fortunate to be able to provide financial support for students to continue their education by establishing an endowed scholarship, one of over 45 scholarships funded through PMEF. Continuing to impact the education our students receive has helped me find the fulfillment I was searching for in retirement.

Now at that point in life where I'm confronting my own mortality, I hope to continue to make a difference for Penn Manor students through my Legacy gift. The opportunity to support teachers' ideas through grants and encourage continued student learning through scholarships for many years after I'm gone, is very rewarding. For me this is the perfect way to give back to a school district and community that have played such an important role in my life.

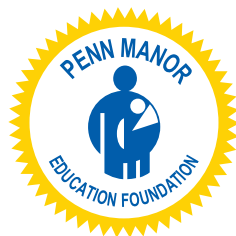
Jan Mindish

What is the PMEF Leaving a Legacy for Learning program?

The Penn Manor Education Foundation has been blessed with a generous community and family of supporters. Many of these supporters now desire to sustain the mission of the Penn Manor Education Foundation well into the future. The Leaving a Legacy for Learning program provides an avenue for our friends and supporters to honor Penn Manor with established estate or planned gifts and to encourage others to provide the same types of support.

Mission Statement

The Penn Manor Education Foundation is a non-profit community based organization, dedicated to enhancing and enriching the educational experiences of the students and faculty in the Penn Manor public schools.



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Leaving a *Legacy* for Learning



Donor Stories

from the
Penn Manor
Education Foundation



I spent 35 years as a fourth grade teacher at Eshleman Elementary. Little did I know when I graduated from college that Eshleman and Penn Manor would become my second home and family. I can't say enough good things about this extraordinary school district. It's a district with exceptional students, families, teachers, staff, and administrators. It's a district that has one main focus: helping each student to strive to be his or her best. To help meet that end, Penn Manor Education Foundation is an organization that encourages students and teachers to go above and beyond. When my husband and I drafted our will, we knew that we wanted to include Penn Manor in some way in gratitude for the wonderful career I had enjoyed. Leaving a legacy donation to PMEF seemed like the perfect fit. We are honored to support PMEF.

Beth and Ted Rosenberg

For many years our community has been blessed with a school district led by some of the most outstanding educators in the State. The Penn Manor Education Foundation's board of directors, which is comprised of generous, caring community leaders, has created a partnership with our dedicated teachers to provide enhanced and innovative educational opportunities for every Penn Manor student. It is our hope to help continue this mission through our planned giving so that many future generations can benefit from PMEF's impact.

Frank's family consists of three generations of PM alums and Joyce has contributed both as a classroom teacher and school librarian over the years. These perspectives have allowed us first hand looks at the educational excellence in our schools and we are understandably Penn Manor Proud!

Joyce and Frank Geist



Including PMEF in our estate plan was an easy decision. As alumni (Pat 1982, Laura 1984), we realize the value of a Penn Manor education so we intentionally moved back into the district so our two children (Erik 2010, Cassie 2015) could also receive that same education. We have been involved with PMEF for over ten years and have experienced an efficient, dedicated group of volunteers that continuously strives to improve the educational experiences of our youth. We are blessed to live in an outstanding community but we realize that a community that thrives is likely supported by a thriving public school. It is both our duty and pleasure to do our part to assist PMEF in its mission. We are grateful for its volunteers.

Laura and Pat Kline



Leaving a legacy donation to PMEF makes perfect sense because the Penn Manor School District has been an integral part of both of our families. We graduated from Penn Manor in '84 and we both have parents, grandparents, aunts/uncles, and of course three children who are alumni. Our family- the Kirks, the Funks and the Stachitas - all benefited from the strong foundation that Penn Manor provided.

For the past 9 years Kathy has taught in the district, currently at Manor Middle. She is honored to work and live in the Penn Manor community. Our schools are extremely well run, and Penn Manor is a caring district full of dedicated professionals. Penn Manor Education Foundation supports our teachers through venture grants, along with the Strong and Healthy Families Fund to help meet some of the basic needs of our students. The Foundation sponsors scholarships to honor outstanding seniors of high achievement and character.

We could not be more excited to witness the work PMEF does as a partner to our district. It is our pleasure to include PMEF in our estate plan to assist in their mission for this community.

Kathy and Jeff Kirk

