

2024-2025 Annual Fund Drive

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C.E. Byrd Foundation Mission Statement

The mission of the Byrd Foundation is to provide annual financial support for the schools' academic and physical needs allowing the tradition of excellence at C. E. Byrd High School to continue to exist every year, for every student.

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Dear Friend of C.E. Byrd High School,

The C.E. Byrd Foundation was established in 2009 and acts as an "academic booster club." The Foundation has raised close to \$700,000 to further the tradition of academic excellence at C.E. Byrd High School. Your generous contributions have paid for the *brand new, state* of the art Anatomage Table, Organic Chemistry Lab, the BioXLab, the Hydroponic Farm Program, AP Scholarships, AP and CLEP test fees, technology upgrades, extra textbooks, and approved teacher requests.

As you can see, each year, important educational and technological needs that otherwise would go unfunded are met thanks to individuals like you who want to see C.E. Byrd continue to play a leading role in the educational foundation of our community. Offering current technology and STEM education (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) attracts the brightest and most exceptional students in Caddo Parish.

Whether you are a parent of a current or previous student, a former student, or someone who simply recognizes the key role C.E. Byrd plays in the educational fabric of our community, we are asking for your support. Your gift will strengthen the academic excellence that has become synonymous with C.E. Byrd High School.

NEW FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR! This year, with your tax-deductible donation, we will provide funds in areas of testing support, AP textbook support, science supplies to complement our labs, math calculators, and printers. These new supplies will equip students with the resources needed to provide them with the finest education available. Students will benefit greatly when applying for colleges, for college scholarships, and/or for job opportunities upon graduating from high school.

Please support the Foundation at your earliest opportunity by either completing the enclosed donor card or making a gift through PayPal online at www.cebyrdfoundation.com. Please note that your tax-deductible donation of any amount to the C.E. Byrd Foundation will be invested in academic instruction *during the current school year*. Gifts may be made in honor or in memory of a family member, a favorite teacher, an administrator, a classmate, or any special person you wish to acknowledge. Also, consider any matching funds offered by employers or other associates. We welcome donations at any time, as there will always be needs to address; however, early donations make it much easier for the Foundation and Mr. Badgley to budget and meet the needs of our Jackets.

On behalf of the Foundation Board, the students, the faculty, and the administration of the City of Byrd, thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Lindsay Smith

President, C.E. Byrd Foundation