



District #428 Staff Members,

On behalf of the DeKalb Education Foundation, we welcome you back to the 2018-2019 school year. We hope you have had a wonderful summer and are refreshed and ready to begin a new school year!

The DeKalb Education Foundation is beginning its 31<sup>th</sup> year supporting the Community Unit School District #428 staff and children. Each year, our DEF volunteer board members work diligently to raise money through fundraising activities that fund the grants you request from us. The grants we fund enrich and supplement the district curriculum and are materials and/or activities the district does not provide for you. During the 2017-2018 school year, we were able to fund over **\$40,000** in grant requests for our district staff members and children in their classrooms. We hope to increase the number of grants we are able to fund during this 2018-2019 school year.

We are again offering you the opportunity to participate in the **Dollars for DEF Program**, an automatic payroll deduction program. By donating \$1 or more per paycheck, your donations would help support the dollars needed to fund this year's grant requests. During the 2017-2018 school year, your donations through this program were over **\$3000!!** We applaud you and thank you for your generosity and support! Please consider supporting DEF in this program again this year. Each dollar amount donated by you has a very significant impact on what grants we are able to fund.

To participate in the **Dollars for DEF Program**, please complete the information on the bottom of this letter. Mail the information back to **Bev Stone, Payroll Coordinator**, at the **Education Center**. Deductions will begin once this information is received from you. The **Dollars for DEF Program** form may also be found on our newly updated website: [dekalbeducationfoundation.org](http://dekalbeducationfoundation.org)

Sincerely,

Steve Lux, President  
Cindy Lofthouse, Vice-President

Jamie Craven  
District #428 Superintendent

I authorize DeKalb CUSD #428 to deduct;

(Please indicate amount) \_\_\_\_\_ \$1 \_\_\_\_\_ \$3 \_\_\_\_\_ \$5 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_ One lump sum \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Deductions will begin once Bev Stone receives this deduction form from you. This deduction will continue, until you notify Bev Stone or appropriate District staff member, in writing, that you wish to discontinue the deductions.)

*Charitable payroll deductions for 501(c)3 organizations are not calculated on a pre-tax basis. Please consult your tax advisor about tax deductibility of this contribution on your personal income taxes.*

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Employee Signature (required)

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Date