**OUR MISSION** is to support and enhance the district's dedication to all students.

**OUR VISION** is to provide learning opportunities for students in Osseo Area Schools by funding programs, projects and other opportunities that are not presently available through the district's budget.

**OUR CORE VALUE:** We believe that there is a moral, social and economic imperative to support student success and equitable student achievement.

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**AREAS OF FOCUS:**

1. Support students through innovative and creative projects that enhance curriculum, provide experiential learning opportunities or contribute to community.
2. Recognize the achievements of students and staff in Osseo Area Schools.

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES** - visit www.district279foundation.org/classroom-grants

District 279 Foundation provides learning opportunities for students in Osseo Area Schools by funding programs, projects and other opportunities that are not presently available through the district's budget. Any district employee, school volunteer or community member may submit a grant application for consideration. District 279 Foundation seeks to support innovative and creative projects that align with the following areas:

- **Enhance Curriculum** - Requests may be submitted that will support the enhancement of the current district curriculum. (This category requires pre-approval from the Department of Curriculum, Instruction and Educational Standards.)

- **Experiential Learning** - Requests may be submitted for opportunities which help students develop knowledge, skills, and values from direct experiences that may be unique within or outside a traditional academic setting. Activities may include leadership development, mentorship, intergenerational learning, diversity awareness or character education.

- **Contribute to Community** - Requests may be made to facilitate connections with our community and/or provide an opportunity for students to contribute to our community. This experience should help students become responsible, confident, caring, and contributing citizens. Activities may include providing a performance, community service, volunteering, attend a community meeting, tidying up a local area or helping a neighborhood.

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**RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS AND DISTRICT PARTNERS**

District 279 Foundation seeks to recognize and celebrate the many achievements and success stories of the students, volunteers, and staff in Osseo Area Schools at the Investment in Youth Celebration. This annual celebration recognizes individuals from each site for their commitment and dedication to our community.