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From: Friis, Donna [FriisDL@cdmsmith.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 02, 2014 10:14 AM
To: Horton, Jim A
Subject: Eweek and FEF
Attachments: Scholarship Application from Cypress Creek IB Program.docx; Central Florida E-Week Matching Funds Agreement Backup.docx

Hi Jim,

I received the following request from Central Florida Engineers' Week last week for a matching donation of \$1000. They have selected the IB Program of Cypress Creek as their scholarship recipient this year. (information attached)

Because this is a matching fund request, I believe this comes from the matching fund pool rather than being a line item in our yearly budget.

If approved, Eweek would like to request that the \$1000 matching contribution from FEF be directed to their Eweek-FEF account to continue grow. Eweek will, of course, promote FEF at their banquet in February as a co-host and partner.

If someone from FEF is available to present this award at the banquet, that would be much appreciated.

On a less formal note, I would be happy to print an FEF flyer for every table. I think having the guest take something home with them will be beneficial. The banquet is Feb 22nd so if we started our 50/50 raffle or poker tourney advertisement by then, that might be a good avenue to get the information in the right hands. (~250 central Florida engineers) (eweeek will be doing their own 50/50 raffle that day otherwise I would have offered to sell our tickets there).

Sincerely, Donna

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The International Baccalaureate program at Cypress Creek High School is Orange County's top performing IB program. It is an internationally-recognized program and among the top 1% of IB schools globally.

The International Baccalaureate (IB), a demanding college preparatory curriculum, focuses on the classical liberal arts and sciences. It is available at over 3000 schools in 138 countries serving over half a million students.

Cypress's program, one of the first in Central Florida, graduated its first class of IB Diploma students in (2000), and has now turned out over 900 Diploma holders. Today, approximately 350 students come from all over Orange County to Cypress Creek for the IB magnet program. Cypress Creek's program is large and successful; it has served as a model for other schools in Central Florida who have implemented the IB Diploma Program at their school. Cypress Creek High School has been ranked among the top performing IB schools in the nation by the **International IB Organization** for the past 9 years. Our graduates are admitted to the nation's top colleges and universities, and qualify for Bright Futures scholarships. We are very proud of our results especially since 75% of our students are either at or below the poverty level.

Last year 100% of our IB seniors graduated and were accepted into a College, University or the US Military. In addition to our rigorous academic program, IB students are involved in many after school activities. We have Model UN, Debate club, Quiz Bowl, various student organizations that represent the culture of our eclectic student body, Student Government and this is just a few of the clubs that are offered.

In addition to the clubs mentioned, Cypress Creek also has a Science Olympiad which is the premiere science competitions in the nation. They provide rigorous, standards-based challenges to 6,800 teams in 50 states. If selected, the funds from this scholarship would go to supporting our Science Olympiad Events and purchasing items needed to build projects for their competition. Science Olympiad is a very competitive event in which students can show case their science and engineering prowess. In the Engineering category students need to build items like bottle rockets, helicopters and sound equipment. In addition to purchasing equipment, funds are also needed to pay for entrance fees and transportation.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Lynne Newsom
IB Coordinator

Central Florida E-Week / Florida Engineering Foundation Education Award

The E-Week Committee gives an award annually at the Central Florida Engineers Week Banquet. The banquet is typically held the last week of February each year. The award will, to the extent possible, be used to pay for support or scholarships to engineering students, recognition of teachers, promotion of engineering education, student tuition, schoolbooks, school fees, and related expenses consistent with the bylaws of the E-Week Committee, a copy of which shall be provided to the Foundation if requested.

This Agreement is intended to establish a partnership between the E-Week Committee and the Foundation to 1) provide a mechanism for the E-Week Committee to establish an ongoing fund for promoting engineering and engineering education and 2) organize a joint annual award to be given at the Central Florida Engineers Week Banquet. A joint award may occur if the E-Week Committee makes request in any year for a donation from the Foundation for up to \$2,000, which the E-Week Committee agrees to equally match. The request must be made in writing by January 1 of each year, to apply to that year's upcoming banquet. The request shall describe the award to be given at that year's banquet. The Foundation will act on the request within thirty (30) days of receipt of the request. Donations by the Foundation are subject to the Foundation's available funds, at the Foundation's sole discretion.