

COMMUNITY PUBLIC EDUCATION FUND
c/o Community Foundation of South Georgia, Inc.
P.O. Box 2654
Thomasville, GA 31799

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Dear Educator,

The **Community Public Education Fund**, through the Community Foundation of South Georgia, Inc. will be awarding our 18th annual round of mini-grants this winter. The Community Public Education Fund (“Fund”) is a nonprofit initiative to promote academic excellence in the Thomas County and Thomasville Public Schools. The goals are: (1) to encourage quality educational projects and activities which strengthen public education and are not otherwise fundable through normal school budgets; (2) to generate community recognition of the need for and the benefit of excellent public schools; and (3) to serve as a catalyst for public/private partnerships which benefit education. It is our intent to build a charitable endowment and use the annual earnings to encourage, support, and reward improved educational opportunities, academic excellence and creative teaching. All contributions to the Fund are fully tax deductible.

This winter, we will award several mini-grants for the benefit of **each** public school system in Thomas County for use for spring 2022 semester projects, projects not fundable by your school budget. No individual grant will exceed \$500. Grant awards will be based on how the proposed project promotes and encourages academic excellence and provides educational enrichment to students. Recipients will be responsible for providing documentation on how the money was spent and the results of the project. Attached is a Grant Request Application. To be considered for a grant, complete the application and return it to the Community Foundation office, located at 114 W. Jackson St. or email your application as one continuous PDF file to cbowen@cfsga.net, by **Friday, November 5, 2021 at 12pm**.

Please take advantage of this opportunity. We have a sincere interest in providing community educators with more tools to enrich the academic experience of our children. These grants will help us educate the public about the purpose of the Community Public Education Fund and the educational possibilities that it can achieve. The quality and creativity of the programs you create and our promotion of those programs will help ensure the success of the Fund.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Claire Bowen at the Community Foundation of South Georgia at (229) 228-5088 or cbowen@cfsga.net. We look forward to hearing from you.

Community Public Education Fund Committee