

PRESS RELEASE

Salisbury Elementary PTA receives Institution for Savings Charitable Foundation Grant

Salisbury Elementary PTA (SES PTA) recently received \$20,000 from the Institution for Savings through its Charitable Foundation. This award will go to support a number of initiatives at SES including a Parent Speaker Series, iPads to enhance Music Education, Stand up Desks, theater admission and transport for the 500 children K-6, High School Graduate Day at SES, and several other enriching activities.

Project Information:

The Institution for Savings Charitable Foundation Grants Committee announced awarding SES PTA for a number of projects that the PTA supports. As proven throughout town, Institution for Savings believes in supporting Salisbury, education, youth, arts, and culture. They are dedicated to make our community a better place to live. This award is yet another example of putting its mission into motion. SES PTA is to the moon collaborating with our 25 educators to plan trips to various theaters along the North Shore. Our 6th graders have already booked their annual trip to the North Shore Music Theater. SES PTA has also allocated a portion of these funds to bring a Parent Speaker series that will be open to the community. Dr. Elizabeth Englander will speak on relevant parenting topics such as cyberbullying and children's use of media. Also scheduled to add tools to our parent's toolbox is the popular Lynn Lyons, LICSW: Anxious Kids, Anxious Parents & Charlie Appelstein, MSW; No Such Thing as a Bad Kid. Funds from the Institute will be put to use in our Music Room through purchase of wonderful technology, iPADS. There are hundreds of great music-based apps that not only increase musical knowledge base, but equally important fosters the love of learning about music. SES supports the many learning styles of the 500+ children, our educators are constantly seeking ways to create learning environments that are responsive to each and every child's needs. Funds from this grant have purchased stand up desks that will be installed in classrooms for any child to use as an alternate to sedentary learning. Lastly, funds will contribute towards enriching experiences. One we most look forward to is inviting our SES High School Graduates to visit our young students

dressed in cap and gowns. A formal parade through the school, short speaking opportunities, and lunch. This event will inspire our children, empower our graduates, and remind our educators just how special they are and how important their profession is.

Salisbury Elementary School PTA is the oldest operating PTA, founded in 1910. SES PTA strives to carry out the mission and values of the PTA, which are to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. Encouraging and supporting student growth is one of the most important aspects of education. The SES PTA addresses these issues through training and support of local PTA units as well as collaborations on projects and educational programs. SES PTA is continually striving to advocate, communicate and support our units with the ultimate goal of keeping parents and our community involved in our children's education. Not only do they provide a voice for our community's children, SES PTA works hard to ensure these children have enriching educational experiences that they may not have otherwise.

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