## **Greater Chambersburg Chamber Foundation**

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Advancing the free enterprise system through education and by promoting citizenship and leadership.



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## Dear Educator:

As educators, businesses and community developers align to prepare our youth for the 21st Century workforce, the Chamber Foundation looks to strengthen existing links and create new ones.

The role of teachers and administrators in the educational system is often underestimated and taken for granted. The Chamber Foundation values your role and strives to support it with programs that give you tools to enhance your craft and offer recognition of your efforts!

In doing so, we invite you to participate in two (2) programs that support the critical link between business and education in the Chambersburg area:

Educator of the Year recognizes an active educator within the region of the Chambersburg Area School District (public and private) (K-12) who has demonstrated above and beyond commitment and service in the field of education. Nominee attributes include demonstrable, positive impacts that have touched students, peers and the community. Please e-mail nominations to Noel Purdy at npurdy@chambersburg.org by April 16, 2010 and include the educator's name, contact information, school, and class that they teach. Upon receipt of a nomination, <a href="mailto:Chamber staff">Chamber staff</a> will follow up direct with the nominee to complete the application process.

Technology Innovation Challenge Grants offer educators the opportunity to integrate innovative technology into teaching and learning. Applicants must demonstrate a clear vision and plan of action for the use of new technologies in the classroom. The application process has been updated this year with the intent of making it less cumbersome and to encourage more submissions – please review. The grant application is attached. The deadline for submission is April 14, 2010 and must be returned to Mark Long, Technology Director, Chambersburg Area School District.

Grant recipients and the Educator of the Year will be awarded at the Chamber Foundation's Annual Education Luncheon on May 20, 2010.

For more information, please feel free to call me at 264-7101 or e-mail npurdy@chambersburg.org.

I look forward to your participation.

Regards,

Noel Purdy

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