

## Oswego Foundation for Educational Excellence's Purpose

The **Oswego Foundation for Educational Excellence** is a community-based organization of interested area individuals committed to the goal of enriching and enhancing educational opportunities for the students of School District 308. The Foundation's resources are used to enhance the educational program of the district by providing support in the form of programs, materials, equipment and funding for initiatives which cannot be supplied by limited public resources.

## Mission

- To enhance the educational opportunities of SD 308 youth through a 501c3 charitable organization.
- To provide a charitable vehicle through which individuals, businesses, and corporations may make financial contributions and endowments to area youth.
- To provide funds beyond the normal operating budget of the school district for specific educational programs and activities for students and staff.

## FAQs

### What is the purpose of the Oswego Foundation for Educational Excellence?

The Oswego Foundation for Educational Excellence is a community-based organization of interested citizens committed to the goal of enriching and enhancing educational opportunities for SD308 students and staff. Foundation resources are awarded as grants that provide support to students and staff in the form of programs, materials, equipment, and funding for initiatives which cannot be supplied by limited public resources.

### When was the organization founded?

The Foundation (OFEE) became official on November 9, 1995 when the Articles of Incorporation were approved by the State of Illinois. The Foundation has been awarding grants from 1995 to the present.

### Is the organization a not-for-profit group?

Yes. The Foundation (OFEE) is a 501 c3 organization. Funds that are generated are dispersed via grants.

### Who decides how the funds should be spent?

Funds donated to the Oswego Foundation for Educational Excellence (OFEE) are distributed as grants with the approval of the Board of Directors.

### How much money has been awarded through OFEE grants?

Since its incorporation in 1995, more than a half million dollars in grants.

### Where do the funds come from?

The Foundation exists with donations made directly to the Foundation and the support of SD308 staff and its community through various fundraising activities.

### How can I get involved in providing grants to programs, materials, equipment, and funding for student and staff initiatives?

- 👤 Watch for OFEE activities and events in the months ahead and participate and attend.
- 👤 Join OFEE as a Friend of OFEE or as a Board Member. Friends of OFEE help with activities, events and projects. Board Members oversee grants, fundraising events, and activities.
- 👤 Donate to OFEE today or in the future. Gifts in any amount are welcome and make a difference by providing educational resources. Contributions are tax-deductible.

For further information or to make a donation, contact the Foundation via email ([oswegofoundationgrants@gmail.com](mailto:oswegofoundationgrants@gmail.com)) or the Foundation's website at:


**[oswegofoundation.org](http://oswegofoundation.org)**




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