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Dear Business Partner & Friend of Education,

The Beaver Area School District Education Foundation has a long history of service to students, families, and teachers of the Beaver Area School District through scholarships, student and teacher mini-grants, and innovative educational programs. **We are happy to announce we have once again been approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) as an Educational Improvement Organization (EIO) eligible to receive contributions through the Pennsylvania Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program.** We need support from our business partners to make these exciting projects a reality for all of our students.

Two clear opportunities for students to pursue academic excellence have been approved for the 2018-19 school year:

- **Empowering Students Through Technology in the Age of STEM:** Funding assistance through the PA EITC would support the purchase and maintenance of equipment, hardware, software, apps, certification exams, and experiences required for the implementation and associated costs of this program. This non-traditional technology-rich learning model would allow students to specialize in:
  - Web Design
  - Coding
  - Networking
  - MakerSpace Design
  - Hardware Repair
  - Robotics
  
- **Mock Trial Expansion:** Funding assistance through the PA EITC would allow for the expansion of the Mock Trial program to a year-round learning experience, and support the students' participation in various competitions, including:
  - Class Mock Trials
  - Empire Global Tournament
  - County and State Competitions
  - University of Pittsburgh Tournament
  - University of Pennsylvania Tournament

To ensure the success of these programs, we are seeking involvement from businesses such as yours. Your generous participation in the PA EITC program and selection of the Beaver Area School District Education Foundation as the beneficiary will ensure that these innovative programs thrive. More information is available in the enclosed brochure, and at our website:

[www.basd.k12.pa.us/BASDEducationFoundation.aspx](http://www.basd.k12.pa.us/BASDEducationFoundation.aspx). Questions can be directed to [basdef@basd.k12.pa.us](mailto:basdef@basd.k12.pa.us).

Sincerely,

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