



Tooele Education  
**FOUNDATION**  
 SERVING TOOEELE COUNTY SCHOOLS

# Chalk Talk

## TEF's Programs

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At TEF, we love to support educational programs that benefit students, teachers, families, and the community. Thanks to generous donations from businesses and individuals, TEF programs enrich and enhance education in TCSD.

Although you might be familiar with some of our programs, you might not know that TEF makes these programs possible. For example, TEF funds pay for Innovative Education Grants for teachers, providing additional materials in classrooms. TEF funds also support Elementary School STEM projects and Book Walks and Festivals. In addition, to these programs we've highlighted a few more below:

### Back-to-School Community Closet

Each year, TEF works with our sustaining corporate sponsor, Cargill, to provide backpacks full of school supplies for students in TCSD. In addition to these backpacks, generous community members and businesses provide students with clothing, shoes, coats, haircuts, and eye exams.

### First Tee

TEF works with The First Tee

of Utah program to teach TCSD students life skills through golf. Students learn nine core values that teach them skills for success in school, work, and life, as well as golf. First Tee is funded by Tooele City and the Mayor's Golf Tournament.

### FFA Collaboration Projects

Cargill provides the funds, and FFA instructors and students provide design expertise and labor for these projects at high schools. Each FFA group receives money to design, purchase supplies, and create improved outdoor areas at their school.

### Hope Squads and Anti-Bullying Programs

These programs provide peer-support and educate students on the importance of kindness in our schools. Funded by Tooele City and Energy Solutions, Hope Squads and anti-bullying programs offer friendship, generosity, and support for students who are struggling emotionally.

### NHMU 4th grade Field Trip

Each year, TEF sponsors a museum field trip for 4th grade students in 13 TCSD elementary schools. Last



year, more than 1,200 students, teachers, and chaperones attended the Natural History Museum of Utah. This is a great learning experience for students and ties closely to the 4th grade core curriculum. NHMU Field Trips are funded by Cargill.

### Traveling Art Exhibits

This TEF program brings first class art directly to local TCSD schools. These exhibits and their accompanying educational materials provide public access to quality visual art, nurture understanding of diverse art forms and cultures, promote creativity, and encourage cultural activities in local communities. Traveling Art Exhibits are funded by individual donors and local businesses.

You can read about more of our programs on our website. You can also find great photos and program highlights on Facebook and Twitter.



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