

# Bellevue Schools Foundation Ambassador

## What is a Bellevue Schools Foundation Ambassador?

You are an **advocate** for the Foundation and a champion for education. You promote and support two-way conversations between your unique school community and the Foundation to help ensure that donor-funded programs and initiatives are transforming education, supporting students, and meeting the needs of the greater Bellevue School District community.



### What are an Ambassador's Responsibilities?

#### ➤ **Be Active in Your School**

Facilitate ongoing communication between the Foundation and your school community, which includes the PTSA, parents, teachers, and administrators. Make connections between your school community and BSF.

#### ➤ **Be Your School's Resource for All Things Foundation Related**

Stay up-to-date with current Foundation programs and events and share this with your school community.

#### ➤ **Rally the Troops**

Lead, promote, and recruit for Foundation events, such as *Spring for Schools*.

#### ➤ **Make an Annual Gift to the Foundation**

Join BSF's family of donors with a gift of any size. Your gift shows your commitment and makes your role all the more compelling. You can donate [here](#).

***The Foundation Ambassador position is crucial to our success. You are our eyes and ears in your school community. Your success is our success—so please, don't hesitate to ask questions and tell us what you need. We will be there for you.***

## What Activities Depend on BSF Ambassador Support to Succeed?

### Grants Support

Did you know that BSF donors support field trips and out-of-the-ordinary learning experiences that have lasting and positive impact on students through **Arts, Enrichment, & Innovation (AE&I) Grants and Inspiration and Incubation (i2) Grants?** (You can read more about our programs [here](#).) These grants fund projects that enable teachers and curriculum developers to extend the regular curriculum and enrich student learning through culture, art, music, field trips and other activities. Share this opportunity with your school community. Support grant writing and ensure the deadlines and procedures are understood. Once grant awards are announced, help us spread the word, celebrate the award recipients, and make sure your community knows!

### Block Party & BFF with BSF

In the fall, we host a **Block Party** where the entire Bellevue community is welcome to celebrate and support our blocks of funding for our various programs. BFF with BSF event is the culmination of **Clickathon**, a four-day fundraising event where people are encouraged to give online (peer-peer fundraising). Promote this event in your community.

### Spring for Schools

**Spring for Schools (SFS)** is BSF's largest fundraiser of the year. Promote this event in your community, sign up to be a Table Captain and invite fellow parents, friends, and colleagues to sit at your table(s). They will be inspired when they learn how BSF programs are preparing our kids to be successful in school and in life.

## Secondary Activities

- Attend curriculum night and be available to answer questions from the community about BSF (don't worry if you don't have an answer, a BSF Trustee can be in attendance to help).
- Celebrate when your school is awarded an AE&I Grant. Let it be known with balloons, signs, etc. "This grant is funded by Bellevue Schools Foundation!"
- Follow up with school administration and PTSA newsletter editors about BSF announcements and encourage them to publish these items in their communications with parents and staff.
- Promote BSF at school events (Taking Care of Business Days, Science Fair Nights, Kindergarten Round-Ups, Principal Coffees, Ice Cream Socials, etc.)
- Invite parents to BSF-sponsored **Education Connections** events. Click [here](#) to learn more.
- Connect with BSF social media: Share your school community's great news with us on **Facebook** [facebook.com/bellevueschoolsfoundation](https://www.facebook.com/bellevueschoolsfoundation) and **Instagram** [@bellevueschoolsfoundation](https://www.instagram.com/bellevueschoolsfoundation). Like, follow, and re-share BSF social posts!