



## **Education Committee Direct Funding Program Guidelines**

A qualified, well-educated workforce is critical to the future of our business community. Our Chamber focuses on efforts to improve and support our local educational entities as part of our Strategic Plan.

It is the Midland Chamber's desire to serve as a conduit through which local businesses can connect with and support local educational programs, fulfill classroom needs, and serve as a resource for providing the best possible educational foundation for tomorrow's business leaders.

Prior to granting any funds, requests will be vetted with the assistance of the MISD Education Foundation staff to determine if another means of funding is more appropriate:

1. School PTA/PTO organization
2. Grant from the MISD Education Foundation
3. Direct assistance from an existing campus partner

When school needs cannot be met by other means, needs will be reviewed by the Midland Chamber's Education Committee. Decisions made by the Education Committee that include the granting of money or purchasing of supplies must reflect the values and guidelines listed below.

### **Requests for Financial Assistance/Direct Funding:**

1. Should directly benefit students, faculty, or facilities at a Midland, TX school
2. Should contribute to a campus's or classroom's curriculum or goals
3. If funding will go towards items/supplies that can be used long-term (multiple semesters or school years), priority will be given to those that will be shared amongst classrooms/teachers.