

## Shaping Hearts in Special Ways

When you support FIRE Foundation of Northeast Iowa, you make it possible for students with special needs to learn exciting new things and discover their talents — right alongside their peers at Catholic schools. Inclusion is about much more than learning math, science and reading though. It's about shaping the hearts of young learners in special ways. Your gift to FIRE Foundation of Northeast Iowa fosters friendships built on compassion, understanding and love. Having a heart for FIRE means appreciating the value each individual brings to the world.



“The essential task of authentic education at every level is not simply that of passing on knowledge, essential as this is, but also of SHAPING HEARTS.”

- Pope Benedict XVI

When you donate to FIRE Foundation of Northeast Iowa, **YOU** make it possible for partner schools to:

- Continue opening the doors to new students with special needs who wish to attend Catholic schools
- Offer training to teachers so they're able to address students' unique challenges more effectively
- Acquire technology such as iPads and Chromebooks so students have access to special learning apps
- Provide adaptive equipment that empowers students with special needs to learn

We love to stay in touch with friends and supporters.



*Igniting Inclusive Catholic Education*

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# FIRE

## Foundation of Northeast Iowa

If you believe in the potential of every child, consider supporting our special mission.

FIRE Foundation of Northeast Iowa's mission is to provide children with special needs the opportunity for an inclusive Catholic education in their home parish schools.

**When you support FIRE Foundation of Northeast Iowa, you ignite learning, love and acceptance.**

“An education in the fullness of humanity should be the defining feature of Catholic schools. An inclusive education finds a place for all and does not select in an elitist way the beneficiaries of its efforts.” - Pope Francis



### What better lesson can we teach our children?

Embracing the most vulnerable members of our Catholic families, FIRE Foundation of Northeast Iowa takes the words of Jesus to heart and to action. We must reach out with open hearts and minds to those children who, regardless of ability, are also created in God's image. We desire to provide educational opportunities for our children who are most in need.

Strengthening the philosophy of inclusion in our Catholic schools will serve children with special needs and thereby enhance every parish community. Students and teachers alike will be living examples of unconditional acceptance of people's differences. All students, regardless of ability, will learn to value each other as God values us.

### FIRE Takes the Words of Jesus to Heart...

Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these. - Matthew 19:14



“YES! I/we would like to help FIRE Foundation of Northeast Iowa's special mission of supporting inclusive Catholic education by making a donation.”

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Your gifts are used to ensure FIRE Foundation of Northeast Iowa partner schools have the staff and resources to create successful learning environments for students with special needs.

Here are examples of how FIRE Foundation of Northeast Iowa donations are invested:

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