WHAT IS A PROMISE?

... as a verb *promise* means:

"a declaration of assurance that one will do a particular thing or that a particular thing will happen"

... as a noun *promise* means:

"the quality of potential excellence"



The Jamestown Schools PROMISE Fund Board members *promise* to seek financial support to invest in initiatives, programs and people that maintain our focus on the *promise* that lives within each and every one of our students.

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THE PROMISE OF A BRIGHTER FUTURE BEGINS TODAY

The Jamestown Schools PROMISE Fund (JSPF) assists in funding projects and programs, not supported by tax dollars, by marshaling community resources to support our students, teachers and schools. Because JSPF is hosted by the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation (CRCF), all donations to the JSPF are tax-deductible.

LIFE IS MORE CHAL-LENGING & COMPLEX, SO SCHOOLS MUST STEP IT UP! We want all of our studcnets to have access to a rigorous curriculum and exceptional learning opportunities. The new

21st century standards demand more of our students, and they have placed new demands on our teachers and parents as well.

We expect our students to meet and exceed these more challenging standards AND we want them to enjoy the full array of opportunities outside of the classroom that have always been the hallmark of a Jamestown education!

STUDENT SUPPORT

There are so many things we want to provide to our students. It could be new band instruments, athletic

equipment, uniforms, or facilities, access to the latest technology, robust after-school programming, tutors, or interventions when they strug-

gle with school work, field trips, clubs & activities, new courses, and more.

TEACHER DEVELOPMENT

Teachers may need help to ensure student success. This could come in the form of professional development, special materials, or even funding new positions. Over the last ten years we've watched as school resources evaporated. We do not intend to allow the shortage of government support to threaten the quality of a Jamestown education.

PARENT ENGAGEMENT

Jamestown schools need help to provide new and dynamic ways to engage all of our parents and families. We want our families to feel empowered to support their children in school. But since school is so different from when adults were there, families need our support so they can help their students at home.

WE SIMPLY HAVE NOT RECEIVED OUR FAIR SHARE

Over the past several years, Jamestown Public Schools (JPS) have faced severe financial challenges. We have lost over 120 staff members, reduced programing, drained our fund balance, and closed a school. And things don't look like they will get better any time soon. The state of NY has withheld nearly \$120 million from JPS over the past six years!

