



Adopt A Classroom

The AEF Adopt-a-Classroom program makes it easy for members of the community to support teachers and students. We direct **100% of your donation** to the teacher who uses the funds to enrich the classroom as a vibrant center for learning. The Alameda Education Foundation will direct your Adopt-a-Classroom donation to teachers most in need, or you may specify a teacher or program you would like to support.

What does it mean to "adopt" a classroom?

By adopting a classroom, you serve as a community partner to a teacher or program by providing financial and moral support to the teacher and students.

Does adopting a classroom "make a difference?"

You bet! When you adopt a classroom, teachers use the donated funds to purchase resources such as learning games, books, and other materials that help them create an engaging and effective classroom learning environment. Teachers may also use the funds for field trips, assemblies or additional student impact programs. By serving as a community partner, you are positively impacting teacher morale, too. Empirical data supports that these two factors increase opportunity for classroom success.

Is there a donation size requirement?

Each classroom adoption is \$500. No more. No less. This keeps it fair for all participants in this program.

Can I adopt more than one classroom?

Yes. You can adopt as many classrooms as you like. Please submit \$500.00 and a Donor Form for each classroom.

What if my teacher is already adopted?

There is only one adoption per teacher per school year. You may email info@alamedaeducation.org to find out the status of a teacher. If your teacher is not eligible, you have the option to indicate that the funds can be used for another adoption as determined by need or indicate another teacher.

Is my contribution tax deductible?

Yes. The Alameda Education Foundation is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit organization. All contributions to AEF are tax deductible.

Does Adopt-a-Classroom give the teachers cash?

The AEF Adopt-a-Classroom program provides each selected teacher with a personal check for \$500.00. Each teacher is then required to submit a Donation Use Form in order to be qualified for the next year's donation process. Each teacher may only be adopted one time per school year.

What happens to any excess Adopt A Classroom funds? Any excess funds received from Adopt A Classroom donations remain in the Adopt A Classroom account to be used for future adoptions and teacher support.

What more is required of me other than making a donation?

Nothing more is required, but we encourage you to support the classroom beyond the donation. We welcome donors to schedule a classroom visit by calling the teacher directly.