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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

We expect our students to be taught with programs, materials, and equipment that challenge and engage them. Strong schools contribute to our strong and vibrant community. The Croton-Harmon Education Foundation, also known as CHEF, needs your support to continue to bring innovation and excellence to our schools.

For the past 11 years CHEF has become an essential element in our school community's operations. The entire Croton-Harmon school system has benefitted from funds provided by CHEF. Last year alone the Croton-Harmon Education Foundation awarded over \$59,000 in grants to the Croton-Harmon Schools, including, but not limited to:

- 24 Stand-Up Desks at the Elementary School
- Sustainable, organic Earth-Heart Garden at the Elementary School
- Outdoor Learning Lab at the Middle School
- Lighting for the High School Auditorium
- Additional cameras for the popular High School photography program
- AP World History textbooks (This new, competitive course at the High School would not have been possible without funding from CHEF)

As we all try to do more with less, our educators depend on CHEF's help more than ever. Therefore, our goal this year is to be able to grant twice the amount awarded last year made possible by our other goal of 100% participation. In order to do that, we need your support. For as little as the cost of a tank of gas, YOU can make a real difference in every Croton child's education. Croton is a unique, close-knit community, so let's work together to make a difference in our children's lives.

We are so grateful to live in a town that values education and our students. Will you help us continue the vitally important role we play? Please consider making a tax-deductible contribution to CHEF as a gift to the school children of Croton-on-Hudson.

On behalf of our Board of Directors, we wish you all the best this season and always.

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P.S. To become more familiar with our organization or to make a donation by credit card, please visit our website at www.crotonfoundation.org. We hope to see you soon at one of our upcoming events!