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The mission of the OEF is to enhance the quality of education in the Oxford Area School District and contribute to the success of Oxford students. We do this by assisting the Oxford Area School District by providing mentor and tutors to students who are at risk in their social development and/or their academics. The OEF presently has approximately 67 students who are receiving mentoring/tutoring or both until the school district made a decision to not permit volunteers in schools in their phase two plan for COVID-19. Just recently all PA schools closed indefinitely until further notice.

In order to connect our relationships with our students, we are suggesting several options for our mentors and tutors. Phone conferencing (Face time or Skype) or online conferencing are an avenue for them to stay connected with their students. Another option would be Zoom conferencing which gives them another capability to see and talk to each other. In order to keep this mentor/tutor service ongoing our part-time Volunteer Coordinator would be able to assist the volunteers to continue with these methods for their students.

Since the on-start of COVID-19 our donations are stagnant. These donations allow us to compensate for our Volunteer Coordinator. In order for our coordinator to collaborate with our tutors and mentors and to continue their relationship with their students she will be able guide them with online phone and online conferencing. We respectively request a grant of $2,000 in order to compensate our Volunteer Coordinator for the remainder of the school year.

Should you have any questions or need further clarification, please contact Dr. Raymond A. Fischer, Executive Director, Oxford Educational Foundation, at rfischer@oxfordeducationalfoundation.org or at 717 947-0075

Thank you!