# Supplemental Financial Resources

The School's budget is an allocation of tax payments from the Town of Needham, and state and federal subsidies. These limited resources require compromises to be made each year when the budget is created. Recognizing that it is neither feasible nor necessarily appropriate to fund all needs and ideas, several organizations work to make additional funding available for various curricular and co-curricular activities. Below are the major dedicated sources of funding available. Please review their websites to find the group(s) that matches your need, and get information on their application procedure. Please contact the webmaster if you are aware of any additional resources which should be considered for inclusion in this list.

#### **Booster Club**

The Needham High School Boosters Club is a volunteer group of high school parents and community members. We promote, support, and provide recognition to the student athletes participating in all sports at Needham High School (over 70% of the NHS sturdents, both boys and girls, play at least one sport each year). We raise money through various fund-raising events so that we can recognize these athletes and support their programs in a variety of ways.

- \* Scholarships to Graduating Seniors
- \* Varsity Letters, Awards, and Trophies
- \* League Championship Banners
- \* Athletic Enrichment Programs
- \* Sports Equipment and Infrastructure

# Friends of Needham Music

NHS Friends of Music, Inc. (FOM) is a non-profit organization in Needham, Massachusetts that supports all music programs at Needham High School and fosters community among students, parents and music faculty. Our support includes the FOM Bob Ayoub Instrument Fund, educational grants for students and travel assistance to music program opportunities, funds for uniforms and tuxedos, and hosting annual social events for the entire NHS music community. We strive to inspire students' passion for music and to help maintain the excellence of the NHS music programs.

# Needham Education Foundation

#### Small and Large Grant Programs

The Needham Education Foundation is an independent community-based organization that raises funds for the enrichment of public school children in Needham, Mass. We fund grants that promote innovation and excellence from pre-kindergarten through high school.

# NHS Student Council

# Student Activity Fund

The Student Council controls the Student Activity Fund, through which student clubs and activities are funded.

Each group seeking money must submit a request form to Student Council. The forms can be found in the Athletic Office and are submitted to the Finance Committee.

### Peter J Eloranta Scholarships

The Peter J. Eloranta Scholarship Fund has been set up to honor the memory of Peter J. Eloranta, a graduate of Needham High School, Class of 1964. Mr. Vaita K. Eloranta bequeathed a sum of money in excess of \$120,000 to set up a scholarship fund in his son's name. Given no restrictive guidelines in Mr. Eloranta's will, this fund provides support to Needham High School students who pursue additional educational opportunities outside of the high school's regular course offerings. Each year, the goal of distributing the accrued interest will provide the funds.

### PTC Enrichment Awards

The PTC would like to enhance the academic and co-curricular experience by providing small awards (not to exceed \$500) for programs that add to student life and are not able to be funded through the school's budget. The goal is to positively impact as many students as possible and to assist students who make additional effort to improve the high school experience for others as well as themselves.