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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

Date: September 8, 2021
To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads
Route To: Principals, Teachers and Guidance Councilors
From: New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education

Grant Opportunity for Schools: Schonwetter Holocaust Education Foundation

The Mark Schonwetter Holocaust Education Foundation announced that their grant application for the 2021-2022 school year is now available.

Key steps/actions

Grant applications are available on the Mark Schonwetter Holocaust Education Foundation [grant opportunities](#) webpage. Deadline to apply for a grant is October 8, 2021.

Background

The Mark Schonwetter Holocaust Education Foundation's mission is to expand and support Holocaust Education for students in schools around the country and to provide funds necessary for educators to enhance their Holocaust education curriculum. The objective is to teach students the lessons to be learned from the past and how they relate to today. Funds can be used to purchase educational materials, help subsidize field trips, speaker costs, or host assemblies and programs.

Mark Schonwetter frequently speaks to students in schools about his journey of survival as a young Jewish boy in Poland during the Holocaust. He survived, along with his mother and sister, by hiding in the forests as well as the homes of righteous Polish families. Over the last few years, Mark and his daughters, Ann S. Arnold and Isabella S. Fiske, have been sharing his story with adults of all ages, as well as students throughout the Northeast. Through this journey, they have discovered one of the biggest obstacles that schools face with Holocaust Education is budget restraints. As a result, they established the foundation to raise funds to help aid schools in bringing these important lessons to students.

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