

Math and Science Initiative

The need

Today, we expect Lansing School District students to meet Michigan's new high school graduation requirements for math and science without the necessary tools. Meeting the new requirements will not only allow the youth to graduate, but will ensure that they have the basic math and science skills to compete in the new economy.

- 75% of the youth in Lansing Public Schools lives at or below the federal poverty level of \$21,832.00 for a family of four
- Math graphic calculators, essential for algebra and other math and science courses, as well as the ACT exam, cost \$120 each.
- Budgetary constraints make it extremely challenging for the Lansing School District to purchase and provide necessary math and science equipment for their students
- Michigan's new high school graduation requirements, the Michigan Merit Curriculum, dictates four math credits as well as three science credits. Most of these courses require the usage of an advanced graphic calculator and advanced science related materials

Our Goal

Students in the Lansing School District will graduate with the skills to be successful in the new economy of the 21st century. Every student in the Lansing School District will have access to the necessary tools they need to meet graduation requirements in math and science

Achievement

Supply 100 graphing calculators to each middle and high school in the Lansing School District, to ensure that the students have what they need to reach their full potential. All science labs have the necessary equipment to meet the curriculum requirements for graduation.

Pledge

Calculator for one student	\$100
Supplemental science materials	\$300
Science supplies for one class	\$600
Calculators for one math class	\$3000

