

NORTHERN NEW YORK COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, INC.

The Northern New York Community Foundation is pleased to be a partner with the Tri Region Science and Engineering Fair (TRISEF) in helping promote interest in science and technology among students in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence counties.

The Foundation believes strongly that an investment in the work of TRISEF is an investment in our communities and the industries whose future workforce needs will require individuals who choose pursuits in the science and engineering field. It is advantageous to be nurtured at a young age in order to produce the creative individuals needed by our society.

We were fortunate to be able to witness firsthand the success of the science fair held last November in Jefferson County. The event was well thought out, well attended, and the young people were clearly engaged in the material being presented.

Any time a Community Foundation grant is able to inspire additional gifts in support of important endeavors such as these, it is particularly powerful and provides even greater access to those who might not otherwise be afforded such an opportunity.

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announcing Cr. Nelson Ying's Challenge Grant in support of the fair.*