Our nation’s current financial difficulties affect every person and community in some way. While the Ed Fund is no different, we are fortunate to have the ongoing and strong support from many generous funders and donors. And, we are pleased to have garnered several significant and multiplier grants in 2008 that put us in a position of strength as we face the strains of the troubled economy.

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Philadelphia Teacher Residency Off and Running and Recruiting

In July 2009, the first cohort of math residents through the Philadelphia Teacher Residency (PTR) Program will begin work and study. This is both as expected, and all thanks to the $500,000 three-year grant that the Ed Fund received from the Ford Foundation last year, the steadfast work of Program Director Diana Campbell to the $500,000 three-year grant that the Ed Fund and study. This is earlier than expected, and all thanks by making a contribution. I am encouraged by the sense of urgency building across our city to improve our especially to you and you have an interest in learning more or finding a way to help, please call or let us know by making a contribution. I am encouraged by the sense of urgency building across our city to improve our especially to you and you have an interest in learning more or finding a way to help, please call or let us know.

PORT Director Diana Campbell (left) with PTR Resident Liz Palmer.

Score 4 Scholarships Basketball Tournament

The Pennsylvania was once more the site of an eventful day of basketball on April 10th, but at this tournament the scoring was done not by our nation’s top college basketball players but by the participants in the Philadelphia Education Fund’s third annual Score 4 Scholarships Basketball Tournament. The tournament was established in 2007 to support the Ed Fund’s Philadelphia Scholars Program.

It was a great day, filled with the usual suspense that basketball offers in a double-elimination NCAA boys basketball tournament with 40 players participating on 16 teams. Tournament founder and Philadelphia Scholar Alumnus Jermaine Bromel of the Philadelphia School District. The Philadelphia School District. For more information, please contact Karen Stokes at 215-665-1400 ext. 329 or kstokes@philafund.org.


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$1 Million Challenge Grant Met!

We are pleased to announce that the Philadelphia Education Fund has met its $1 million dollar challenge for the Philadelphia Scholars Program. We have raised $1 million from our local Philadelphia. These dollars are being contributed by $1 million from an anonymous donor. Thank you for your continuing support which has made the completion of the campaign possible.