



## Community

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### **ADOPT-A-SCHOOL INITIATIVE**

White and Williams began a school adoption initiative as a way for the firm to give back to the local community, invest in education and provide a unique opportunity for our lawyers and staff to engage through the investment of time, finances and resources. What started with one public school in Philadelphia has grown to include schools in the Lehigh Valley and Wilmington.

#### **Philadelphia | *George W. Childs School***

We proudly donated \$10,000 to the George W. Childs School towards the purchase of brand new schoolyard equipment, including tricycles, games, picnic tables and outdoor storage. The equipment will help create a fun and safe environment for students to play outside in the fresh air during the school day. [Read more.](#)

Lawyers and staff also collected much needed school supplies to start the school year. We will engage with the students throughout the year by holding reading days in the classrooms and participating in the school's Book Fair.

#### **Lehigh Valley | *Thomas Jefferson Elementary***

We kicked-off the adoption of Thomas Jefferson Elementary School with a donation of an educationally based Lego Wall, Legos and storage bins for the school's library. The donation supports the school's commitment to evolve their traditional library practices into makerspace workstations for their students. Students will be able to challenge their creativity and learn about science, technology, and engineering with a hands-on approach. [Read more.](#)

As part of the ongoing relationship with Thomas Jefferson, lawyers and staff visit the school to read with the students and provide civics education. In addition, employees generously donate school supplies and holiday gifts to Thomas Jefferson students.

**Wilmington | Harlan Elementary School**

We presented Harlan Elementary with Google Chromebooks for the classrooms, which allow students to participate in a more blended curriculum, combining spoken lecture with technology. Lawyers and staff also donated school uniforms to the school for its uniform closet. [Read more.](#)

As part of the ongoing relationship with Harlan, lawyers and staff visit the students and participate in reading and career days.

**DOING GOOD****First Annual Eagles Autism Challenge**

Team White and Williams braved the elements to bike, walk and run in the First Annual Eagles Autism Challenge. Lawyers and staff participated in a 30-mile bicycle ride and 5K run/walk through the streets of Philadelphia, all beginning at Lincoln Financial Field and ending on the 50-yard line. So far, Team White and Williams has raised more than \$7,000 to support autism research. 100% of the participant-raised funds will go towards the advancement of autism research by the coalition of the Philadelphia Eagles, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Drexel University, Thomas Jefferson University and Jefferson Health. [See more photos.](#)