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METHACTON SCHOOL DISTRICT SHOWS OFF STUDENT FORENSIC LAB FUNDED IN PART BY \$45,000 DONATION FROM AMBLER SAVINGS BANK

Eagleville, Pennsylvania – Methacton School District is offering High School students a unique opportunity to jump start a career in crime scene investigation with the new Forensics Lab. Part of the school's STEM Innovation Lab Program, the class offers students a lesson in forensics and biochemistry. Students solve "Who Done It" cases using forensic tools and methods such as DNA Electrophoresis, Fingerprint & Handwriting analysis, Fiber & Hair analysis, Trace & Residue Analysis, and a FTIR Spectrometer to analyze counterfeit printing.

"We set out to highlight the science involved in forensic study and to perhaps open the door to future career opportunities in the process," said Barbara Griffith, Chemistry Teacher, Methacton High School.

Led by Chemistry Teachers, Barbara Griffith and Jill Palmer, the class is offered to high school students as an elective. Funding for the program was raised in collaboration by the Methacton Education Foundation along with local business sponsors like Ambler Savings Bank.

A \$45,000 donation from Ambler Saving Bank was presented to The Methacton Education Foundation to support of the Forensics Lab and other STEM initiatives.

"At the very least these students have an opportunity for hands on experiences with real lab equipment. This would not be possible without the generous support of the Education Foundation and its contributors," continued Barbara.



"Donations from partners

like Ambler Savings Bank enable the cutting-edge programs we offer at Methacton," said Donna Piergallini, Executive Director, Methacton Education Foundation.

The Foundation continues to raise additional funds needed through state grants and partnerships with corporate and community partners who share a mission to inspire innovative education.



"For over 10 years we have supported special programs at Methacton and have seen how impactful they can be. We are proud to support Methacton and continue our commitment to education in our community," said Roger Zacharia, President and CEO of Ambler Savings Bank.

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