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## **Farmington High School Receives Grant from Farmington Community Chest to Support Cutting Edge Research Internship Program**

Farmington, CT — May 5, 2026 — Farmington High School has received a grant from the Farmington Community Chest to support the 2026 Cutting Edge Research Internship Program at UConn Health.

This funding will allow Farmington High School students to participate in the Cutting Edge Research Internship Program at no cost to themselves or their families. The funding will provide a meaningful learning experience for Farmington High School students, which may be the catalyst for future careers in scientific or health science research. The program helps students develop foundational knowledge and skills for careers in these fields.

“We are incredibly grateful to the Farmington Community Chest for their support,” said Steve Netcoh, Coordinator of Extended Learning Opportunities. “This funding allows us to support authentic learning experiences for FHS students while they work on cutting edge scientific research under the guidance of PhD and postdoctoral students at UConn Health.”

The Farmington Community Chest is dedicated to supporting local initiatives that improve the quality of life in Farmington, investing in programs that serve residents of all ages.

“At the Farmington Community Chest, our mission is rooted in supporting the strength and vitality of our local community,” said Chris Andrews, President of the Farmington Community Chest. “We’re honored to partner with organizations doing important work that directly benefits our neighbors.”

### **About Farmington High School**

Farmington High School is a 4-year comprehensive high school with a reputation for academic excellence. Identified in Newsweek as one of the top high schools in the country and consistently ranked in the top 10 in the state of Connecticut, more than 90 percent of our graduates continue on to two- or four- year colleges and 80% of graduates take one or more Advanced Placement courses during high school. With an emphasis on preparing all students for post-secondary education, Farmington High School offers a wide variety of rigorous curricular and co-curricular opportunities, including exceptional athletics, music, and visual arts programs.

### **About Farmington Community Chest**

The Farmington Community Chest is a volunteer-led nonprofit dedicated to strengthening the Farmington community through local giving. Since 1931, the organization has raised and distributed funds to support critical services, community programs, and neighbors in need. With a focus on keeping resources local and responsive, the Community Chest ensures that generosity from the community directly benefits the people who live in Farmington. [www.farmcommchest.org](http://www.farmcommchest.org)