The **Dan Wolz** Clean Water Education Grant (CWEG) …working to educate our youth in the importance and value of the Clean Water Profession

In recognition of the passion Dan had for education, the plan is to work with MSTA to devise a grant proposal and award format that will both inspire and motivate science teachers to learn more about MWEA and our industry.

We have been assured that this program will receive prominent spots in the MSTA newsletter and at their annual conference and awards banquet. Part of the criteria would be an agreement to make presentations at both the MSTA and MWEA annual conferences.

The results we are seeking would be students throughout Michigan who will have a much greater awareness and appreciation of the contribution this great industry makes to our society and maybe even become inspired to choose a career path that would make them a part of that contribution. …just like Dan did.

**The task is large. The need is great. The time is now.**

Please help us with this BHAG - **Big Hairy Audacious Goal** (Dan would have loved that).

Dan Wolz was a dedicated, passionate man who left a huge footprint on MWEA and our industry.

When Dan passed away, we immediately began taking inquiries about where to contribute to his memorial fund. We’ve tried to devise a plan befitting his legacy.

**Dan was truly a VISIONARY.** Like many great visionaries and world changers, he often struggled to gain acceptance for many of his ideas because he was simply so far ahead of his time.

We believe the time has arrived for all of us in the Clean Water industry to get behind two of Dan’s passionate visions; Public awareness of the great contribution to society made by this industry and generating interest in the great career opportunities our industry offers.

The need to raise the quality and quantity of Clean Water Industry education in Michigan’s public schools has never been greater. Perhaps it’s just lucky timing or perhaps it’s through divine intervention, but the Michigan Science Teachers Association (MSTA) has recently been given the charge to “teach science more to jobs.” When we approached them with the idea of collaboration, it was warmly received.

Dan was a man that most certainly took action with the courage of his convictions more boldly and more often than most. We now follow that example.
It is our intention to send one Michigan science teacher each year to WEFTEC. We feel the possible positive result could have a major impact on the future of our industry.

**Long term goals** – We would hope that after 10 years we would not only have 10 science teachers in Michigan that are HUGE fans of MWEA and our industry because they have been WOWED by WEFTEC and WEFTEACH (a full day program at WEFTEC that is dedicated to and designed for teachers), but that we would also have hundreds more science teachers who will have a great deal more knowledge and respect for our organization and industry as a result of experiences and stories that are shared by each recipient of the Dan Wolz CWEG.

**Contributions** may be made to the MWEA with a simple earmark to be used for the Dan Wolz Memorial Fund.

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**The Bio Chef**

Dan really understood teaching. He knew that stretching people's comfort zones was the best way to get people to remember his message.