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Belmont Orthodontics and Belmont Pediatric Dentistry donate \$5,000 to AEF
Arlington Education Foundation Announces Platinum Sponsor

Dr. Carolyn Melita, of Belmont Orthodontics and Belmont Pediatric Dentistry, has long been a supporter of public education, and recently she made a significant commitment to the Arlington Public Schools by becoming the Platinum sponsor of the Arlington Education Foundation. While Dr. Melita has supported AEF for over a decade, her 2017 gift of \$5,000 establishes a new and exciting relationship between AEF and Belmont Orthodontics and Belmont Pediatric Dentistry.

Dr. Melita is a product of public schools herself, from kindergarten right through dental school, and she is a believer in the merits of public education. Moreover, as an Arlington resident she knows that contributing to the goals and endeavors of Arlington's public schools is a meaningful way to give back to her community. Supporting Arlington's schools is personal as well because Dr. Melita's own two children attend the Arlington Public Schools.

AEF is thrilled that its long-term relationship with Belmont Orthodontics and Belmont Pediatric Dentistry continues to grow. When asked why she chose to increase her support in 2017, Dr. Melita responded, "I strongly support AEF's mission and the invaluable work they are doing. Supporting public education and sustaining strong schools is more important than ever and I want to continue to help in any way that I can." Thanks to sponsorships and private donations, AEF awards approximately \$125,000 per year to the Arlington Public Schools, funding large grants that support district-wide planning initiatives as well as smaller grants that help teachers innovate in their classrooms.

Belmont Orthodontics and Belmont Pediatric Dentistry are located in Belmont Center. Dr. Melita partners with Dr. Jolle Hami, the pediatric dentist, and they are both passionate about creating beautiful and healthy smiles for their patients. Dr. Hami specializes in the gentle, compassionate care of children. Dr. Melita works with many children, yet she also sees a large number of adults who come to her to improve their smile. In fact, many are the parents of the children she has successfully treated. The partnership between Arlington Education Foundation and Belmont Orthodontics and Belmont Pediatric Dentistry is certainly something to smile about.