Dear Friends of the Foundation,

The Alexandria Education Foundation had a successful year in 2018 and has exciting things on the horizon for 2019. As you look through this impact report, you will get a glimpse of the organization’s work over the past year. The foundation’s main goal is to help the teachers of Alexandria Public Schools impact students every day. Last year, the foundation awarded $38,083 in teacher grants. This results in more opportunities and enhanced learning experiences for students.

The foundation is always striving to connect alumni, businesses and community members to join efforts in supporting our public schools. We connected with friends and supporters at our annual events: the Hall of Fame Luncheon, the annual fundraising gala, EdTalk, and EdRock. The first EdRock fundraising concert was a hit where over 500 people enjoyed a beautiful summer evening with great music and dancing.

The Alexandria Education Foundation continues to grow and evolve and this could not happen without your support. We look forward to another successful year in 2019!

With thanks and appreciation,

Christine Reilly
Executive Director

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INVESTING IN STUDENT LEARNING

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TEACHER GRANTS
AEF AWARDED $38,083 in Teacher Innovation Grants for 2018-2019

Visit our website for details on each of these exciting grants – as well as the 55 previously awarded to Alexandria Public Schools.

SPHERO EDU
Discovery Middle School - Lukas Gotto

$290,000+
AWARDED IN GRANTS TO TEACHERS SINCE 2009

3,700
PreK–12 students impacted yearly by AEF Funding

SEESAW
Carlos Elementary - Kristen Schmidt

LEARNING BEYOND THE SCREEN
Miltona Science Magnet Elementary - Chad Gilbertson

MAKERSPACE
Voyager Elementary - Jacob Munsch

SNAP CIRCUITS IN SCIENCE
Woodland Elementary - Barb Walswick

ELEMENTARY ROBOTICS
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GREEN OFF-GRID POWER SYSTEM FOR A TINY HOUSE
Alexandria Area High School – Todd Dahlseid

LEARNING WITH LEGOS
Voyager Elementary - Maari Ost, Kayla Walsh
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A CAMERA FOR EVERY STUDENT
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“Thanks to the scholarship awarded through the Alexandria Education Foundation my loans are reduced and I feel the support of a community that I have grown up in.”

– 2016 AEF scholarship recipient Michael Helgeson

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Foundation wants to build a financial cornerstone for investing in students in Alexandria Public Schools. One of the ways we do this is by helping students attain college degrees.

Through a competitive scholarship process, the Foundation financially supports students in the transition from high school to 2 and 4-year colleges.

Visit our website for details on these continuing education scholarships to graduating seniors.

Since 2009, nearly $30,000 has been awarded to help 32 students further their education.

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EdCelebrate
Our fall fundraiser (formerly Jeans & Jewels) is a part of Homecoming Connections weekend and remains the signature event of the Alexandria Education Foundation. Guests enjoy games, silent auction, jewelry prize drawings, fabulous food, and friends while they support our schools and our students.

EdTALK
Our annual EdTalk event brings notable alum back as a tie-in to the strong education foundation they received in Alexandria Public Schools and to give back by creating connections with current students.

EdRock
The stage was set, the weather was fantastic, and the band was rockin’ at our summer concert fundraising event featuring The Fabulous Armadillos.

Alexandria native and current University of Minnesota Associate Athletic Director Scott Ellison (’77) was the 2018 EdTalk speaker. Ellison, the Associate Director for the Gophers oversees all the athletic facilities at the University of Minnesota.

Hall of FAME
Alexandria School District
2018 INDUCTEES

Robert C. Johnson (’66)
Heather Stefanski, M.D. (’89)
Ed Rooney (’53)

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ENDOWMENT GROWTH

Did You Know...

THAT THE ENDOWMENT HAS GROWN TO $400,000 SINCE 2007

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