November 2022

Dear Friends of the Foundation,

The Alexandria Education Foundation Board of Directors and I are grateful for a strong donor base that has allowed us to continue to provide financial support to the Alexandria Public Schools.

In May of this year, the board approved funding for seven Teacher Innovation Grants totaling $36,802. These grants will be implemented in the current school year and are highlighted in this publication. Your gifts made all of these grants possible!

This year, we are especially thankful for the teachers and staff of District 206. We know that the 2021-2022 school year was far from easy, and we can’t thank them enough for the energy, commitment, and care they put into teaching the kids in our school system. Teachers have to take extra time to plan, write for, and implement their Teacher Innovation Projects, which is just one more example of how much they care about their students.

As we reflect on the successes of 2021-2022, we are so grateful for the support of the community, and we look forward to creating an even bigger impact in the future.

The Alexandria Education Foundation continues to grow because of your support.

With gratitude,

Kelli Minnerath
INVESTING IN STUDENT LEARNING

 TEACHER GRANTS AEF AWARDED $36,802 in Teacher Innovation Grants for 2021-2022

Visit our website for details on each of these exciting grants – as well as the 91 previously awarded to Alexandria Public Schools.

VIDEO PRODUCTION STUDENTS PARTNER W/ THE CAF JUMBOTRON
Teacher: Eric Hartmann
School: Alexandria Area High School
Students Impacted: 48 currently enrolled in class-school-wide/community-wide impact
Amount Funded: $10,000

LIGHT TABLES FOR KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS
Teacher: Lexie Prom
School: Woodland Elementary
Students Impacted: 3 Kindergarten Classes (approx. 64 students per yr)
Amount Funded: $2,915.82

ORFF APPROACH USED IN THE MUSIC CLASSROOM
Teacher: Rhonda Blaser
School: Voyager Elementary
Students Impacted: 500 Students
Amount Funded: $4,280

KNITTED CIRCLE LOOMS FOR FIBER ART PROJECTS
Teacher: Mitch McGuire
All elementary schools in District 206
Students Impacted: School-wide, approximately 140 students in grades K-5
Amount Funded: $8,856

GEARED UP FOR STEAM LEARNING
Teacher: Amy Revering
School: Miltona Science Magnet School
Students Impacted: Approximately 140 students in grades K-5
Amount Funded: $5,250

DMS BANDS RECORDING EQUIPMENT PROJECT
Teacher: Derek Ziemer
School: Discovery Middle School
Students Impacted: Over 300 band students in grades 6-8
Amount Funded: $3,500

OUTDOOR MAKERSPACE
Teacher: Barb Walswick
School: Woodland Elementary
Students Impacted: Woodland Elementary K-3 with potential for grades 4 and 5
Amount Funded: $2,000

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4,000 PreK-12 students impacted yearly by AEF Funding

$445,000+ AWARDED IN GRANTS TO TEACHERS SINCE 2009
INVESTING IN FUTURE LEADERS

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Myles Sansted (r) and Emma Blanshan (not pictured) were recipients of the The Class of 1988 Scholarship, each receiving a scholarship in the amount of $2,200.

Brittany Lanus (l) and Evan Schroeder (r) were the Seeds for Future Learning Klimek Family Scholarship recipients, each awarded a $400 scholarship.

Katlyn Eggert (l) was awarded The Kim Jenson “Lift Her Up” Scholarship in the amount of $1,000.

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Julia Wilmesmeir (l) was the recipient of The Bev “B” Lohman Grossman Scholarship for $2,000.

Wyatt Odland (r) was awarded the Ken and Jeanne Howell Scholarship in the amount of $1,000.

AEF Board member, Lori Schmidt, presented 7 Alexandria Area High School (AAHS) seniors with scholarship awards at the annual Honors Night celebration.

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.

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SINCE 2009, $66,200 has been awarded to help 67 students further their education.

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Did You Know...
THAT THE ENDOWMENT HAS REMAINED STRONG AND MAINTAINED A HEALTHY BALANCE OF $415,000+

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David & Esther Mehrer
Jeff & Shannon Patience
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