

2021 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



Bentonville Schools **FOUNDATION**

OUR MISSION

To support and enhance the education of
students in the Bentonville Public Schools

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Supporters of Bentonville Schools,

During last year's letter I reflected on the surreal times in which we were living. In reflecting back on the past school year, I think it is fair to say that the surreal times have continued—much longer than anyone expected, including the experts. It is with that backdrop that I look at the Bentonville School District, the leadership guiding it, the faculty serving the needs of our children and the students who worked hard everyday in school and virtually, and have a strong sense of pride. No matter the challenges, Bentonville Schools have endured.

I'm proud to say that the Bentonville Schools Foundation has endured as well. Even with all that was going on in the world, in the U.S. and in our community, the Foundation was able to deliver on its mission to significantly support and enhance the education of the students in the Bentonville Public Schools. We did that through two primary means. First, the Foundation continued to support the School Grant Program, a way for the Foundation to support each of the schools in delivering on their own unique strategic vision in creating the best teaching environment possible for our children. Second, the Foundation continued to support the Teacher Grant Program, which encourages teachers to deliver innovative education solutions in their classrooms, and to be creative and progressive for the betterment of our students. In total between the School Grants, Teacher Grants and other support to the District, the Foundation provided over \$150,000 in funding to the schools and teachers to improve the education of the Bentonville students. This was done all while dealing with the continued impact of COVID.

Over the past five years, the Foundation has invested nearly \$1 million across the schools in the District. Moving forward this year and in spite of all the challenges we face, the Foundation will be continuing its focus on driving further investment in innovative approaches to learning across the District. We know success will come when we commit to the vision over a sustained period of time. So, our work goes on. Even with the continued burden of COVID, it is important that we continue to invest in our students, finding new ways to be innovative in how we provide for their education. Ensuring a viable, positive future for our community demands it.

It goes without saying that the Foundation could not deliver on this vision without the support of the Bentonville community. Thanks to all who supported the Foundation and will continue to do so. We could not do it without you.

Sincerely,
Marcus Osborne, Board President
Bentonville Schools Foundation

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ACADEMIC SIGNING DAY

A celebration of academic excellence in the Bentonville School District



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GRANT RECIPIENTS

Innovation Grants

BENTONVILLE WEST

Staff and student training to enhance Google Meets - \$13,847

IGNITE PROGRAM

Audio tech space to support multiple career paths - \$4,008

IGNITE PROGRAM

Flight simulator for aviation careers - \$3,400

LINCOLN JR HIGH

Impact Project Learning - \$10,000

MARY MAE JONES ELEMENTARY

Trading Spaces: Developing outdoor learning space - \$10,268

OSAGE CREEK ELEMENTARY

Lights, Sound, Action! - \$10,000

WASHINGTON JR HIGH

Video production and library iPads - \$13,680

WILLOWBROOK ELEMENTARY

Professional development: video coaching - \$4,335

WILLOWBROOK ELEMENTARY

Supplies to continue to build robotics/coding program - \$15,761

TOTAL: \$85,299

Teacher Grants

APPLE GLEN ELEMENTARY

Diversify the Collection - \$3,500
Zachary Steen

BENTONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Virtual Reality for Anatomy of Brain - \$365.18
Melanie Woody

BENTONVILLE WEST HIGH SCHOOL

Sensory Engagement Learning - \$479.05
Sherrin Tucker, Chris Chapman

Increase Student Engagement in Laboratory Investigations - \$3,550
Brittany Stone, Elizabeth Phillips, Teresa Thompson

ELEMENTARY VIRTUAL SCHOOL

Honeycomb Clubs - \$3,000
Kim Green

ELM TREE ELEMENTARY

The Power of Representation in Picture Books - \$750
Christine Mains

GRIMSLEY JR HIGH

The ____ Newscast - \$300
Alexandra Powell

World Travel Initiative - \$3,431
Amy Holland

Pop-Up Presentations to Amplify Student & Staff Voice - \$649.90
Joe Herrington

LINCOLN JR HIGH

Muscles and Makeup: Experiencing Beautiful Growth - \$1,787.32
Amanda Hinds & Jennifer James

MARY MAE JONES ELEMENTARY

Buy It? Let's Make It! - \$2,500
Amanda Coughlin

Family Book Club - \$4,000
Natlynn Patton

MIDDLE & JR HIGH SCHOOLS

Let's Get Social! Improving Pragmatic Skills - \$3,120
Amanda Pullen

OSAGE CREEK ELEMENTARY

Reflecting Back and Moving Forward - \$2,744
Carol Halbmaier

WASHINGTON JR HIGH

Hydroponic Ecosystem Explorers - \$842.36
Tiffany Bolding

Beating the COVID Blues with Music - \$1,200
Holly Smardo, Mary Kelly, Jesse Collet, Benji Wilson, Camille Austin, Anne Pequeno

Exploring a Terrarium Ecosystem - \$1,785.30
Jennifer Bushong

TOTAL: \$34,004.11

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2020-2021 TEACHER OF THE YEAR

The Bentonville Schools Foundation is proud to support the Teacher of the Year program.

Danielle Rachel
District Teacher of the Year

Shannon Tweedy
Elementary Teacher of the Year

Noel Dollard
Secondary Teacher of the Year

Edwina Wallace
Ardis Anne Middle School

Jenna Geresi
Apple Glen Elementary

Adam Cowart
Brightfield Middle School

Kelli Moore
Bentonville High School

Katy Moore
Bentonville West High School

Shannon Tweedy
Cooper Elementary

Angela Bookout
Centergamble Elementary

Danielle Rachel
Creekside Middle School

Kayla Spaulding
Central Park Elementary

Christi Fogarty
Evening Star Elementary

Blair Wood
Elm Tree Elementary

Michelle Blasi
Fulbright Jr High School

Madison Peterson
Gateway Program

Kaylee Tabor
Grimsley Jr High School

John Mark Russell
Ignite Program

Ashley Williams
Lincoln Jr High School

Amanda Coughlin
Mary Mae Jones Elementary

Stephanie Stanphill
Osage Creek Elementary

Noel Dollard
Old High Middle School

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Ruth Barker Middle School

Maryanne Held
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Kyle Bohannon
Sugar Creek Elementary

Erika Burch
Thomas Jefferson Elementary

Teresa Ellis
TREC Program

Kat Carmichael
Tennie Russell Pre-K School

Emily Eason
Willowbrook Elementary

Tiffany Bolding
Washington Jr High School

JEANS WEEK

FEBRUARY
1-26, 2021



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ANOTHER BIG THANK YOU to the Bentonville Staff for supporting the Jeans Fundraiser. Together we raised \$42,827 with the funds supporting the Grant Programs.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Fiscal year ending June 30, 2020

ASSETS

Cash/Cash Equivalents \$308,045

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

Designated Funds \$85,784

TOTAL ASSETS: \$308,045

TOTAL LIABILITIES: \$85,784

NET ASSETS UNRESTRICTED: \$222,261

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS: \$308,045

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Fiscal year ending June 30, 2021

SUPPORT & REVENUE

Business \$4,000

Individual \$92,595

Jeans Week \$43,807

Interest earned \$439

Designated gifts \$48,100

EXPENDITURES

Grants and Awards

Teacher grants \$34,004

Foundation Innovation Grants \$85,299

Designated Gifts to Schools \$48,100

Operating Expenses

Events & promotion \$5,884

Administrative expenses \$8,581

TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUE: \$189,440

TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$209,618

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS -\$20,178

NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR \$308,045

NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR \$287,867



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