

# Oregon Schools FOUNDATION

The Oregon City Schools district will be the comprehensive school district of choice for students and parents in the Northwest Ohio region.



EXPANDING • STRENGTHENING • ENRICHING • INSPIRING

Dear Oregon Schools Families, Friends and Alumni,

### **OSF supports all schools in district.**

The partnership between the Oregon School Foundation (OSF) and the Oregon City Schools (OCS) exemplifies what it means to have Eagle Pride and commitment to the education of our students. Through the hard work of many dedicated individuals, the Oregon Schools Foundation has accepted more donations and distributed more gifts back to our district than ever before. Students in all six schools, teachers, alumni and the community are benefiting greatly.

### **OSF funds academics, arts and athletics.**

The Foundation is directly involved with all aspects of OCS, providing substantial gifts via donors for athletic facilities, theatre and arts programs, and direct academic support with over \$100,000 in grants provided to Oregon teachers since 2010. The partnership between OSF and OCS is professional, progressive, and committed.

### **OSF is collaborative.**

The Oregon Schools Foundation is an avenue in which you can support the unique Oregon Schools experiences for years to come. Working together with the Board of Education, administrators, faculty and staff, we are committed to continuing our traditions and excellence.

Now is the time to act. Oregon City Schools means something special to many, what does it mean to you? Would you consider a gift to propel the future of Oregon students forward? OCS Success!



Students representing each school, show their school SPIRIT!



Left: Brent Shimman,  
President, (2013-2019)  
Oregon Schools Foundation

Right: Hal Gregory, Superintendent,  
Oregon City Schools

### **OUR MISSION:**

The mission of the Oregon Schools Foundation is to accept, manage and distribute gifts according to donor designation that enrich, inspire, expand and strengthen educational opportunities for our students.



## HISTORY OF THE OREGON SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

The Oregon Schools Foundation (OSF) was created in 1991 by a partnership of parents, community members and local business leaders to establish an alternative funding source for our public school district.

OSF is a nonprofit organization that works to raise private dollars for our public school district. An independent board of volunteers lend their leadership, organizational and networking skills to serve this organization.

An endowment fund was established to provide additional income in perpetuity to meet district needs. Without touching principal investments, the fund can grow and only earnings can be distributed. Distribution of earnings will not begin until the fund reaches \$500k.

One of the original programs instituted in 1991, still exists today, Innovative Classroom Grants. Grants allow teachers to bring innovative and enriching opportunities into their classrooms. Program and project offerings have expanded to meet the needs of the district today.

Ultimately, OSF is a catalyst that works to bring local businesses and our community together to provide a long-term funding vehicle for the best in educational opportunities for our children.

*OSF provides art supply funding to each elementary after-school Art Club.*



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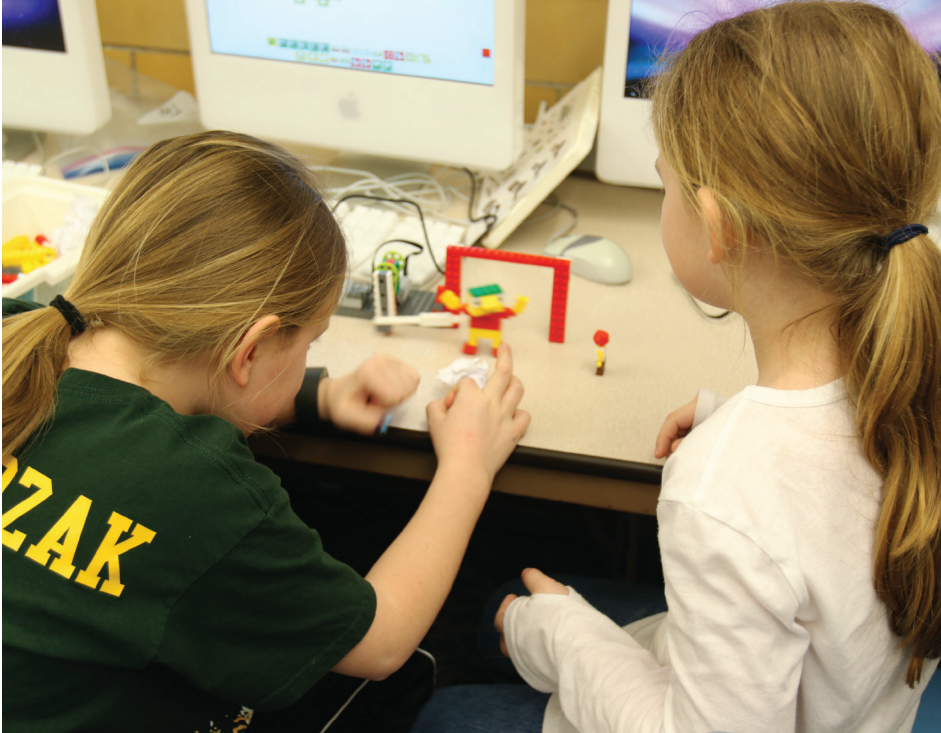
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Elementary LEGO clubs (left) and the 6-8th grade F.I.R.S.T. LEGO Robotic club (right) are the result of a corporate sponsorship with a goal to bring added S.T.E.M. exposure to students.

## WHY DO WE NEED OREGON SCHOOLS FOUNDATION?

The funding model for public education has changed at the state and national level, resulting in less funding for local schools districts. As a result, local school boards have been forced to reduce or cut programs considered “non-essential” by the state and federal government. These include music, art and athletics, programs that are highly valued by student and parents. Oregon and many communities across the state have responded by developing public-private partnerships.

The intent of OSF is to foster partnerships with and support from the community and alumni in order to fund programs that go above state minimum. The reality is state funding will continue to decrease, leaving it up to local entities to fund public education. **The ultimate goal is to ensure Oregon City Schools continues to provide a high-quality, well-rounded education to all students.**



## THE PLAN

**CREATE** an alternate funding mechanism beyond state funding.

**INSPIRE** parents, businesses, alumni and the community to commit to provide the best educational opportunities for our students.

**PROVIDE** a vehicle for those eager to support their community, their alma mater or their public schools in a philanthropic way.

*A goal  
without a  
plan is just  
a wish.*

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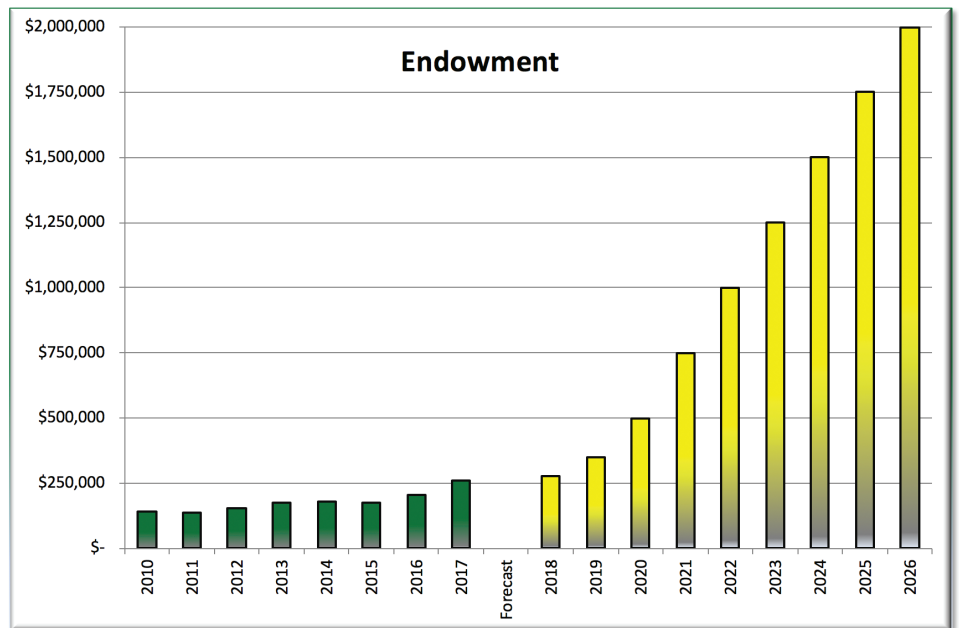
## FUNDING PRIORITIES

1. Endowment Investment Growth
2. Classroom Grant Program
3. Elementary Art Club supplies
4. LOADs Early Literacy Packets
5. Targeted Funding for Academics, Arts and Athletics

## ACADEMICS, ARTS AND ATHLETICS

Targeted Funding has helped provide improvements to specific needs under Academics, Arts and Athletics. OCS Leadership team determines the area of greatest need. The OSF Annual Fund Campaign works to fund these current needs.

## ENDOWMENT INVESTMENT GROWTH



Sustainable income can be achieved through growth of the Endowment Fund. Spending policy allows 5% of value to be distributed annually. No earnings have been allocated to date. Endowed Funds must reach a value of \$500,000 before any distributions are made. Annual distributions will support Funding Priorities.

*"I understand and believe in the process of investing today for the long term benefit to the students at Oregon City Schools. Having an endowment fund is a great tool to help the schools achieve future perpetual income."*

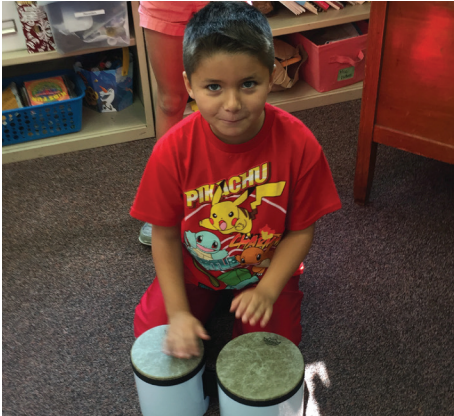
- Don Saunders, Oregon resident



## FUNDING PRIORITIES CONTINUED

### Classroom Grant Program

Since 2005, over \$100,000 has been sent back to Oregon classrooms to provide innovative and enriching opportunities.



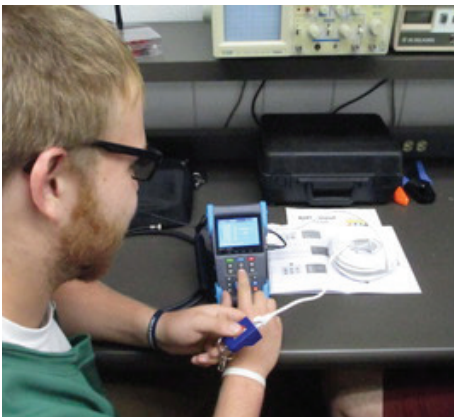
### Elementary Art Club Supplies

Budget cuts eliminated Art instruction for K-4, resulting in the creation of after-school Art Clubs. OSF contributes the supplies.



### LOADs Early Literacy Packets

Learning Our Alphabet Daily (LOAD) provides early literacy components to every registered Kindergarten student.



## THE IMPACT OF GIFTS

**ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN** has funded targeted needs in Academics, Arts, Athletics and Endowment Growth for three years. Over \$72,000 since 2015.

- Endowment Growth \$19,174
- Academics \$17,179
- Arts \$18,508
- Athletics \$16,815

You may choose to designate your Annual Fund donation toward Academics, Arts, Athletics or Endowment Growth. Unrestricted gifts provide the most flexibility for OSF to direct towards the areas in the most need.

**FROST FEST** proceeds have been directed to the Classroom Grant program and elementary Art Club supplies. Over \$105,000 to Classroom Grant program and Art Clubs since 2005.

**DESIGNATED GIFTS** have led to capital improvements that would not have been achievable with only tax dollars. Ted Federici Field Turf update, Charles Neal Press Box, Potter Gym air conditioning retrofit. Nearly \$200,000 since 2016.

**ENDOWMENT FUND** receives 10% of each dollar collected, unless the gift is 100% designated towards Endowment Growth. Spending policy is 5% of asset value annually. No earnings have been distributed to date. Value of assets must reach \$500,000 before distribution of earnings.





## WHAT YOUR SUPPORT MEANS

Through gifts to OSF, donors will help ensure that future generations of Oregon students have access to an educational experience that develops the whole person with high quality educational opportunities as well as extra-curricular activities, just like the students before them.

Thank you for your generosity! We appreciate your support!

## SUCCESS STORIES

Charles Neal Press Box dedication with the Neal family, September 2017.



Ted Federici Field Turf dedication with Federici family, August 2016



Student servers in grades 6-8 volunteer their time to serve dinner at the annual Frost Fest event.

## GIVING LEVELS

Leader in Education - \$5,000 +  
 Valedictorian - \$2,500—\$4,999  
 Salutatorian - \$1,000—\$2,499  
 High Honors - \$500—\$999  
 Honor Roll - \$250—\$499  
 School Spirit - \$100—\$249  
 Friend of OSF - \$1—\$99

## DONOR OPTIONS

1. Annual Fund Campaign
2. Frost Fest Event
3. Designated Gifts
4. Endowment Fund Growth

## THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO GIVE

**ONLINE:** at [www.OregonSchoolsFoundation.org](http://www.OregonSchoolsFoundation.org), where you may use a credit card for a one time gift or set up recurring payments. Frost Fest ticket link is available November thru January.

**MAIL:** your contribution form and check made payable to Oregon Schools Foundation, to OSF at 5721 Seaman Rd, Oregon, Ohio 43616. Contribution forms are on website under "Make a Donation".

**CONTACT:** the foundation directly for more information about ways to give. Amy (Roughton) Hansen, CHS '88, Executive Director  
[OregonSchoolsFoundation@gmail.com](mailto:OregonSchoolsFoundation@gmail.com)





ACADEMICS



ARTS



ATHLETICS

### WORDS FROM ALUMNI

I've been an Oregon community member for fifty years. I grew up here, raised my family here, and my business also serves the Oregon community. Supporting education has always been important to me.

It's fun to witness the goodness that can come from businesses and individuals that want to help Oregon City Schools. Through OSF, you can help too, along with having the opportunity to designate that gift to the area of your choice.

- Michael Armstrong, CHS '74, Michael's Gourmet Catering and Bakery, Toledo, Ohio



CLAY HIGH



FASSETT JR. HIGH



EISENHOWER INTERMEDIATE



COY ELEMENTARY



JERUSALEM ELEMENTARY



STARR ELEMENTARY



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