



Oregon Schools FOUNDATION

*expanding • strengthening
enriching • inspiring*

Good schools are essential both to the well-being of individual students and to the civic health of our community.

The Oregon Schools Foundation (OSF) is a nonprofit foundation that supports the students of the Oregon City School district. Founded more than 20 years ago through a partnership of parents, community members and local businesses, OSF works as a catalyst to bring our community together to provide the best in educational opportunities for our children.

With the help of donors like you, OSF provides innovative classroom grants and support for programming that enhances the educational experiences in our schools.

Your giving makes a real difference.

OSF donors support programs in every school in the Oregon City School District. Since the foundation was created in 1991, generous donations have resulted in building the endowment to \$185,000, while still providing over \$85,000 in grants for programs and resources to enhance classroom teaching. Specifically, these grants have provided:

- More than 100 high school students with hands-on experience studying energy production through fuel cell technology.
- More than 1,000 middle school students with the Hands-On Equations manipulatives that make algebra really hands-on.
- 48 high school freshman with the opportunity to build a self-propelled vehicle for competition.
- Students in 4th grade with a weather center, water cycle simulator, anemometer, scales and seed germination kits.
- Students in 5th grade with hands-on circuits to study electrical energy and updated atlases to improve mapping skills.
- Hundreds of updated classroom novel sets and reading book replenishments for grades K-6.



Why do we need OSF?

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

Oregon and other communities across the state and nation have responded by developing public-private partnerships. The intent of OSF is to foster partnerships with and support from the community in order to fund programs that go above the state minimum.

The ultimate goal is to ensure Oregon City Schools continues to provide a high-quality, well-rounded education to all students.





Funding Priorities

In order to ensure Oregon City Schools continues to provide a high-quality, well-rounded education to all students, OSF is focused on three key areas of support: academics, arts and athletics. The list below includes priorities in each focus area.

ACADEMICS	ARTS	ATHLETICS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve electrical and industrial engineering curriculum at Clay High School. Upgrade language arts curriculum in grades K-4 through the use of "reading rooms." Enhance S.T.E.M. (science, technology, engineering and math) programming in grades 7-8. Provide high school course relevancy training through professional network. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expand <i>Art in Elementary</i> offerings. Assist with instrument repair/maintenance that exceeds district budget for the Clay High School Fighting Eagle Marching Band. Assist with stage equipment and production expenses that exceed district budget for the Clay High School Limelighters and Clay High School Choir. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assist with needs of junior and high school athletic programs that exceed district budget in order to provide opportunities for experiencing teamwork, leadership, work ethic and sportsmanship.

The difference between a good school and a great school lies in the gifts of its community, alumni and stakeholders.

Every student in Oregon City Schools deserves the best education the community can provide. **Your donation to the schools through OSF will fund programs that enrich, inspire, expand and strengthen educational opportunities for all students.**

There are many ways to give:

ONLINE at OregonSchoolsFoundation.org, where you may use a credit card or set up recurring payments through our online agent, GIVLET.

MAIL your check made payable to Oregon Schools Foundation to OSF, 5721 Seaman Road, Oregon, Ohio 43616.

CONTACT the foundation directly for more information at 419-693-0661 or OregonSchoolsFoundation@gmail.com

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