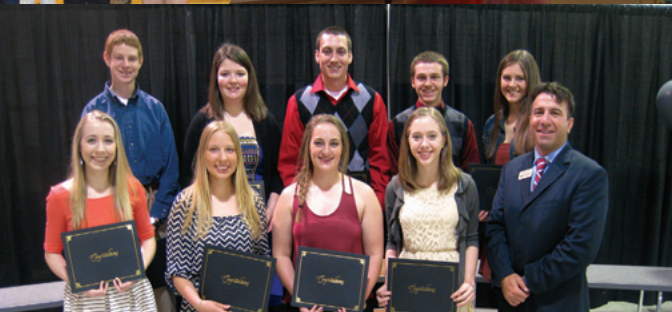


ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

Foundation Focus

Winter 2014



"Do your little bit of good where you are. It's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world." - Desmond Tutu

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During the Holiday Season more than ever, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who have made our progress possible. And in this spirit we say, simply but sincerely...Thank You and Best Wishes for the Holiday Season and Happy New Year!

The Elkhorn Public School Foundation Staff

Mission

The Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation promotes student achievement and the unity of our community and its public schools by encouraging, supporting and recognizing excellence in innovative education, quality school programs and civic involvement.

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Elkhorn Staff Support the Foundation

Elkhorn Public Schools staff donated over \$33,000 to the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation through its annual TEAM (Together Everyone Adds More) Campaign this fall.

Staff members who participate in the campaign have the option to direct their contributions to the Foundation's Classroom Grant Program, Teacher Tuition Reimbursement Program, or to where it is needed most.

Westridge Elementary, Elkhorn Grandview Middle School, and Elkhorn High School raised the highest average donation per employee and won quarterly treats including appetizers from Sam & Louie's, a Popperista popcorn bar, ice cream and more.

Spring Ridge Elementary School and Elkhorn Valley View Middle School enjoyed snacks in October for achieving 100% participation in the campaign. Christine Quandt from Westridge Elementary



Grandview staff dining on appetizers as a thank you from the Foundation.

School won the Husker football ticket drawing. All participants in the Foundation's TEAM Campaign were treated to a casual day and popcorn snack.

Hall of Fame Celebration

20th Annual Hall of Fame Celebration

Over 250 people attended the 20th Anniversary of the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation Hall of Fame Celebration at Elkhorn South High School on October 26th. A total of twelve educators, support staff members, alumni, volunteers, and community boosters were inducted into the Hall of Fame.

The Carl L. White Outstanding Educator of the Year award was presented to Christie Dean, Early Childhood Special Education Teacher at West Bay Early Education Preschool. Elizabeth Jones, EHS English Teacher, was honored as the Golden Apple Outstanding Educator. Jerry Frerichs was recognized as the Former Educator of the Year. Two Support Staff Members of the Year were honored: Wendy Henderson, Teacher Assistant at Manchester Elementary, and Scott Perrigo, former Head Custodian at Elkhorn South High School.

Clarice Barnhill, Elkhorn High School Class of 1949, was recognized as Alumna of the Year for her service with the Western Douglas County Chamber of Commerce Food Basket Program and support of the Bethany Lutheran Church faith community. Calvin Bull, Elkhorn High School Class of 1975, was recognized as Alumnus of the Year for his dedication to the schools and community through his service and leadership on the Elkhorn Public Schools



2014 Hall of Fame Award Recipients: Scott Perrigo, Jerry Frerichs, Tammy Knight, Danny Szegda, Elizabeth Jones, Christie Dean, Calvin Bull, Wendy Henderson, Michael Lynne and Clarice Barnhill.

Board of Education. Jake and Spencer Long, both graduates from Elkhorn High School in 2009, were announced as Alumni Athletes of the Year and accepted their awards via video due to medical school and professional football conflicts.

Community Booster of the Year was awarded to Danny Szegda and the Omaha Trane Office. Michael Lynne, former educator and principal in New York, was honored as the Partners in Education Mentor of the Year. Tammy Knight was recognized as Volunteer of the Year for her dedication to the staff and students of Elkhorn Ridge Middle School.



The Foundation awarded a check to the Elkhorn Public Schools District for over \$156,000 for classroom grants. Each school will receive a customized version of this check showing the amount awarded to that school and a listing of the businesses, families, and fundraisers that donated to the Grant A Wish campaign.



During the celebration, the Foundation paid tribute to Larry Miller who recently passed away. Larry was a member of our Founding Board of Directors and also served on the Elkhorn Board of Education.

Thank You To Our Hall of Fame Sponsors:

Benefactors: DLR Group and TRANE. **Patrons:** American Interstate Bank, Bishop Business, DA Davidson, Nancy Gilmore, and Larry & Kathleen Peterson. **Sponsors:** Dr. Roger & Judy Breed, Aron & Ann Huddleston, Robert D. Marcotte Sr., The Miller Family, Pinnacle Bank, Michael & Beth Sufficool, and Kenneth & Margaret Zarybnicky. Also, thank you to ALL our **Foundation Friends**.

Scholarship Applications: Now Available

Scholarship Program

Continued education for our students is imperative; our goal is to help students further their education by providing financial support. Thus, funding and administration of scholarships for Elkhorn Public Schools graduating seniors is one of our many functions and responsibilities. The Foundation administers scholarships on behalf of Elkhorn families, organizations and businesses. In 2014, the Foundation awarded 103 scholarships worth over \$160,000 to Elkhorn High and Elkhorn South High School graduates.

Completed applications are due back to the high school counseling centers by Monday, February 2, 2015 at 3:30 PM. Scholarship recipients and their families will be invited to attend a Scholarship Recognition Breakfast this spring.

Applications can be found online at:
www.elkhornfoundation.org/scholarships

NEW ACHIEVE Scholarships

The Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation is excited to offer the New ACHIEVE scholarship program for students graduating in May of 2015. The ACHIEVE Scholarship Program recognizes and rewards students who engage in academically rigorous coursework while maintaining balance in other areas of interest within our schools and community. We believe that exposure to core academic rigor, elective course sequences, community service and school activities will promote success during and after high school.

Please see detailed requirements online. ACHIEVE Scholarship applications are due by Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at 3:30 PM. ACHIEVE Scholarship recipients will be identified at the graduation ceremony by wearing a special honor cord.

ACHIEVE GOLD Scholarship
\$1,350
Requirements:

- 7 Year Long AP Classes
- 4 Completed AP Final Exams
- 6 Semesters of Electives
- 4 Years of Extra-Curricular Activities (see details online)
- 100 Hours of Community Service
- Enrollment at Post-Secondary School

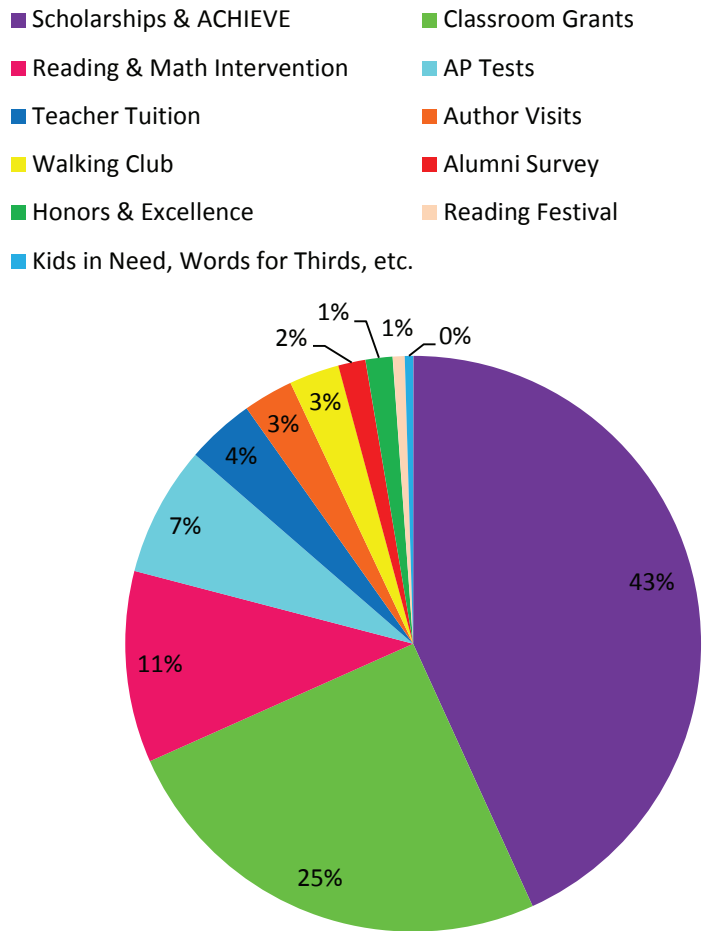
ACHIEVE SILVER Scholarship
\$900
Requirements:

- 5 Year Long AP Classes
- 3 Completed AP Final Exams
- 6 Semesters of Electives
- 3 Years of Extra-Curricular Activities (see details online)
- 75 Hours of Community Service
- Enrollment at Post-Secondary School

ACHIEVE BRONZE Scholarship
\$500
Requirements:

- 4 Year Long AP Classes
- 2 Completed AP Final Exams
- 6 Semesters of Electives
- 2 Years of Extra-Curricular Activities (see details online)
- 50 Hours of Community Service
- Enrollment at Post-Secondary School

Foundation Program Outreach: \$480,000 for the 2013-2014 School Year



Chemistry equipment, anti-bullying programs, new technology, scholarships, extra help before and after school, robotics, incentives for teachers pursuing advanced degrees, and much more are possible with help from you.

A year-end, tax-deductible donation to the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation will help further innovative education in 2015 and beyond.

Thank you for your support!



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Save the Date

Scholarship Program:

Applications Online	December 1
Applications Due	February 2
ACHIEVE Applications Due	April 22

EKC/ACE Registration:

Current Families	February 23
New Families	February 27

Bids 4 Kids Ladies Night Out	April 9
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Molly from Manchester and Gracie from Sagewood having fun at the EKC Carnival.

Are you energetic,
creative & enthusiastic?

We need YOU! Our Elkhorn Kids Campus
Before and After School Childcare Program has
immediate openings for Childcare Assistants.

APPLY TODAY!!

Please email Program Director, Amy Whorlow, at
awhorlow@epsne.org with your
resume or to request an application.

