

A letter from the Chair...

As we come to the end of our seventh year as a Foundation, it gives me so much pride to see how far we have come. In 2015, donors to the Oak Grove Foundation provided over \$100,000 for the benefit of our children. I have seen the work of so many passionate teachers and leaders come together so we can best support the school, and ultimately, our children.



As stewards of your donations, the Foundation worked directly with Oak Grove Elementary School leadership and faculty to educate and enrich our children. We have provided a literacy coach to accelerate the reading level of our Kindergarten through second grade children with small group instruction. We have provided a STEM coordinator to aid in additional science, technology, and engineering principles in the classroom, and we have funded "Big Idea" grants to provide students with creative ways to learn. The Oak Grove Foundation has also funded programs such as Everyday Math and Literacy Immersion, as well as Zoophonics. Lastly, donors have provided teacher training of the best practices for our children.

As we look forward to next year, I want to thank you for your donation. You are a vital part of the Oak Grove Foundation's history and our future, and it is your investment that allows each child at Oak Grove Elementary to thrive.

Thank you for your donation and your support.

Mandie Holmes,
Chairperson, Oak Grove Foundation

2015

Oak Grove Foundation was created in 2009 as a non-profit (501(c)(3)) formed by parents and teachers that supports the quality of education through investments in personnel, technology, teachers and materials. funded entirely through YOUR donations!

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2015 Accomplishments

With your generous support, the Oak Grove Foundation provided funding to supplement:

Teachers' Education | Academic Enrichment | Classroom Excellence

STEM Coordinator (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math).

Renewed consultant, Kendall Xides, to analyze certification requirements and implement programs and teacher training to begin Georgia STEM certification process for Oak Grove.

Literacy Coach. Renewed our Literacy Coach, Stacy Welch, to support small group reading in Kindergarten through 2nd grade.

STEM. Funded supplies for our STEM certification process including:

- TV Production Studio with a Green Screen
- iMac
- Outdoor Garden and Classroom Resource Center for teachers and students
- STEM Murals, STEM Books, STEM Days
- Lego We-Do Kits

Higher Opportunities for Teachers ("HOT"). Sent teachers and staff from all grade levels to several different conferences including:

- GA STEM conference
- Differentiated Math Instruction
- Across the Spectrum: Autism/Asperger's Conference
- Environmental Education Alliance of Georgia Annual Conference
- Share the Wealth—Georgia Association of Health and Physical Education Conference
- Gifted Program Certification

Big Ideas Grants. Gave up to \$5000 in grants for teachers for enrichment activities in classroom, including:

- Frog dissection
- Pi Day
- 10/10 Day
- Zoophonics
- Social Studies/Literacy Immersion
- Rubik's cube math program
- Cooking Class

Leadership Stipends. Provided \$10,000 in incentives to reward and retain our amazing teachers who serve on the Building Leadership Team and STEM team.

Foundation Fact:

Did you know the Oak Grove Foundation purchased the 50 iPads and the synching cart currently used by all teachers at our school?

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A letter from our Principal

As I approach the end of my first semester at Oak Grove, I reflect on the many ways the Foundation has touched the lives of every student in the building. The list continues to grow as people continue to give. It's an investment in children that will pay great dividends for their future.



A gift to the Foundation closes gaps in reading skills through a part-time literacy coach. Mrs. Stacy Welch works with small groups of K – 2nd graders each day who need a little extra support to boost their reading skills. Because the work she does has been so successful, the Foundation has agreed to continue her contract to help students succeed.

The Foundation will also continue to support the STEM/STEAM initiative through the part-time coordinator, Mrs. Kendall Xides. Mrs. Xides planned the STEM-focused days for the 2015-2016 school year and continues to coordinate the supporting activities with the STEM committee. Mrs. Xides can also be found providing enrichment in the garden or writing fun facts on the board to increase background knowledge and/or stimulate interest in science. She will be training teachers with more problem-based learning through the Engineering is Elementary (EIE) kits as the year progresses.

It is my dream to see all students with their own learning device. Increasing access to technology is vital to every student's future. With your generosity, funds would purchase grade level computers for each 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade levels and increase our number of iPads for the lower grades. Additionally, funds would be used to upgrade and/or maintain our current technology. While devices never replace good teaching, the teachers are using technology to enhance the overall learning.

It is difficult to explain all the ways the Foundation supports the academic focus at Oak Grove. Whether it is students receiving instruction from a teacher who just attended a conference, or perhaps students participating in STEM activities using one of the Engineering is Elementary (EiE) Kits, the Foundation touches all aspects of education at Oak Grove Elementary. As you can see, every dollar you give goes straight to children. I sincerely appreciate the support the Foundation provides for every child in the building.

Sincerely,

Lynda Mauborgne
Oak Grove Principal

2015

Financials



Income

Direct Public Support

Total 2015 Spring Campaign	\$100,787.09
Total ATT Payroll Deduction	\$13.50
Total Corporate Contributions	\$1,000.00
Total Direct Public Support - Other	\$362.50

Total Direct Public Support \$102,163.09

Investments

Total Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	\$87.30
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Total Investments \$87.30

Other Types of Income

Total Amazon / Misc Revenue	\$1,947.87
Total Other Types of Income - Other	\$0.13

Total Other Types of Income \$1,948.00

Total Income \$104,198.39

Expense

Awards and Grants

Total 2015 Campaign Teacher Wish List	\$3,356.31
Total Big Ideas	\$4,497.32
Total Higher Opportunity for Teachers	\$1,053.50
Total Leadership Stipend	\$8,000.00
Total STEM Supplies	\$4,616.19

Total Awards and Grants \$21,523.32

Contract Services

Total Literacy Coach	\$28,612.00
Total STEM Coordinator	\$17,836.99

Total Contract Services \$46,448.99

Fundraising

Capital Campaigns

Spring Campaign 2015

Total Events - Venue	\$1,901.61
Total Game Truck	\$1,345.00
Total Printing / Supplies	\$2,015.79

Total Spring Campaign 2015 \$5,262.40

Total Capital Campaigns	\$5,262.40
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Total Fundraising \$5,262.40

Operating Expenses

Total Accountant Fees	\$50.00
Total Bank Fee	\$3.00
Total Insurance Premium	\$505.00
Total Postage, Mailing Service	\$21.28
Total Printing and Copying	\$142.96
Total Website	\$313.83

Total Operating Expenses \$1,036.07

Total Expense \$74,270.78

Net Income \$29,927.61

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