

# **Educational Foundation**<sup>\*\*</sup>

OF WATERTOWN, WI

**Providing Grants for Local Classroom Projects** 

The Educational Foundation of Watertown believes in excellence in education

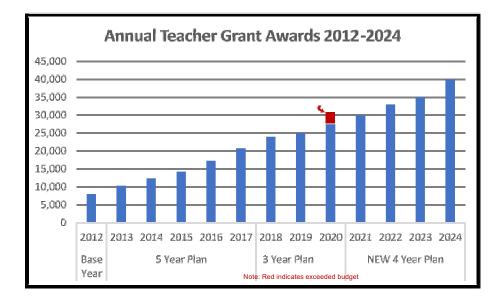
#### **President's Annual Report**



The end of 2020 marked the completion of the 2018-2020 three-year plan that was put in place in 2017. The goal was to provide \$75,000 in grants during that time. Awards exceeded the goal, totaling \$80,777 or \$5,777 over plan.

The year 2020 was unusual, as we all know. Due to major changes in the needs of our schools and students, we

exceeded our annual goal of \$27,500 by awarding \$31,710. (See the details of these awards on page 2). We were only able to achieve this due to your generosity.



We have now set in motion the next four-year plan from 2021-2024. It is even more aggressive in terms of providing \$138,000 in grants for students. We will continue the ever increasing annual grant totals through these four years, even when our major fundraiser, the Jig Jog 5K, had to be canceled in 2021 due to COVID-19. (See the chart above for grant history and this future plan.) As always, we will work to exceed these goals.

Your continued generous support can allow these goals to be met. We continue to greatly appreciate the support of the Educational Foundation for our teachers and as always, most importantly, our students who are continuing to experience very different circumstances in their classrooms, and in some cases virtually.

Again, THANKS for your ever continued support for them.

Randy Phelps

The Educational Foundation of Watertown has been issuing grants to teachers to help increase student learning since its inception in 1998. Thank you so much for your continued support!

**FALL 2021** 

## A few of Our Many Grant Recipients







#### We Seek to Promote Excellence in Education

The Educational Foundation of Watertown, Inc. seeks to promote excellence in education through the use of its resources including, but not limited to the following:

- **Stimulate** outstanding academic achievement and provide enhanced learning opportunities to students.
- Increase local business, civic and private sector involvement within the schools of the Watertown area.
- **Recognize** outstanding achievement by teachers and support staff.
- **Encourage** creative and innovative educational enhancements.
- **Promote** and maintain use of the most recent technologies in teaching and learning.
- **Provide** schools, students and teachers with financial support through grants.

## The Watertown Jig Jog 5K Walk/Run Lives On

We are pleased to announce that the Jig Jog 5K Walk/Run will return on March 12, 2022.

For over a year and a half, COVID-19 has made it a challenge for everyone, including our educational system. The Jig Jog will bring back happy memories and again promote our partnership with both the public and private schools in Watertown.

Grinwald Ford of Watertown has graciously agreed to be one of our title sponsors for the event. We are soliciting a co-sponsor, along with \$500 and \$250 sponsors. Another way to help is to volunteer or participate on March 12.

Please keep an eye on our website www.WatertownJigJog.com or "Like" our Facebook page as more information becomes available..

### **2020 Grants Awarded**



Teachers of **Watertown Public Schools** were recipients of a \$20,000 award to the school district. This award supported the purchase and implementation of Lexia Software, a tool to personalize literacy instruction in every classroom Kindergarten through Grade 5. This software has been valuable during fully virtual, blended, and face-to-face instruction.

In addition, the award helped fund mobile hot spots for families with students in Grades 6-12 in areas where the internet is limited or non-existent. These tools are valuable to our students and families now and in the future as the eCampus Academy and other online opportunities expand.

Finally, funds for the following awards were provided to **Watertown Private Schools** who were teaching in person.

- Books for Classroom
  Library
- Book Sets
- Camera
- Chrome Books
- Classroom Posters
- Crates for Student
  Storage
- Digital Microscopes
- Early Childhood Activity Materials
- Early Childhood Literacy Equipment
- Electronic Writing Tablets
- EquatIO Software Program for Math
- Greenhouse for School Garden

- iPads
- Kindergarten
  Activity Equipment
- Light Tables
- Listening Center
- Osmo
- PC, Monitor, Web cam
- Sensory Bins & Items
- STEM Equipment for Classroom
- Supplies for Art Class
- Tables with Whiteboard Top
- White boards

## **2020 Donations Honor Roll**

- Andrew A. Bare
- American Family Insurance **Dreams Foundation**
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- Pauli Plumbing •
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  - Janice Runge
  - Dan & Sandra Rullman •
  - Kathy Schuett •
  - Cassandra Schug •
  - Tim & Cindy Schuler •
  - Jacqueline Smith •
  - **Bonnie Sukow** •
  - Pete & Sandra Thompson
  - Jody & Ivan Thompson •
  - WEnergies •
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  - Nell Winkler & Claude Held

### Cum Laude \$1,000+

**FALL 2021** 

- 7up/Dr. Pepper Bottling Company •
- Joseph Darcy Foundation .
- Irish Jig Jog
- Menasha Corp. Foundation/ORBIS Plant Corp.
- Frances G. Milburn
- Rich & Monie Kuckkahn Fund •
- Bob & Joan Wilkinson •
- John & Jeanne Higgins + WEnergies Match •

#### In Honor of

- Excellent Foundation & Schools: Keep it Up by Margaret Luchsinger
- Our Grandchildren by Joseph & Susan Rhodes .
- Angle, Amy, and Amanda by Rich & Kathy Wagner .
- Our Children & Grandchildren by Neale Jones •
- Mike & Mark Nienow Families by Ann & Rich Nienow •
- Paulene Wittenwyler by John & Nora David .
- Bradford Scott PHD by Carol Kubly Scott •
- Our Grandchildren Julie, Rory, Henry & Arwen by John & • **Carleen Schloemer**
- Barbara & Randy Phelps by Fred & Cindy Gremmels .
- Josh, Christian and Evelyn Rhodes by Joe & Lorraine Rhodes
- Jackson David Klubertanz by David & Mary Wolff
- Jan Hoy by Dr. Edward J. Hoy .
- Pastor Todd Iverson by Elden & Valerie Engelbrecht

#### In Memory of

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- Joe Darcy by Alan & Barbara Anderson •
- Joe Darcy by Neale & Ruth Jones
- Joe Darcy by AI & Mary Schumaker
- Joe Darcy by Randy & Barb Phelps
- Jane L. Wald by Fred & Cindy Gremmels
- Jane L. Wald by Roger & Nancy Klein
- Jane L. Wald by Jon & Pam Sterling •
- Jane L Wald by Kent & Debbie Jacobson .
- Jane L Wald by Jeff & Vicky Allen •
- Jane L. Wald by John & Gladys Ebert •
- Isabelle King, Walt Chapman, Ernie Niemann and Bob LaPoint by Kitty Steuber •
- Donna Jaye by Book Club Friends •
- Donna Jaye by Roger, Nancy, Brad, and Kendra Klein •
- Walt Chapman by Alan & Barbara Anderson
- Ruth Jones by Susan M. Rhodes •
- Ruth Jones by Randy & Barb Phelps
- Ruth Jones by Al & Mary Schumaker •
- Ruth Jones by Paul R. Sommers •
- Mary D. Carthew by Charles & Sally Good •
- Harris Creydt by Randy & Barb Phelps
- Gary Fontaine by Diane N. Fontaine
- Joan Dommer by Book Chat Friends

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- Ray & Ruth Kubly by Bob & Joan Wilkinson •
- Ray & Ruth Kubly by Mary, Jen & Allie Held •

Elija E. Cummings by Barb & Randy Phelps

William Schultz by Tom & Mary Schultz

Annie Egan by Dave & Cathleen Egan

Jason Nienow by Ann & Rich Nienow

Ruth Christensen by Don Christensen

Richard Milburn by Carol Battenburg

Bruce Wittenwyler by John & Nora David

Ruth Jones for 55 Years Together by Neale Jones

James Strege by Alan & Barbara Anderson

John R. Lewis "good trouble" by Barb & Randy Phelps

Robert LaPoint & Ernie Nieman, both WHS teachers who

Ruth Klockow, Dolly Damrow, Donna Jaye, Chuck Bruce, John Lance, Milo Shackley, Kurtis Keever & Anne Ritter by Elden & Valerie Engelbrecht

Harold, Adeline & Robert Richter by Lyle & Christine Richter

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recently passed, by 7up/Dr. Pepper Bottling Company

Richard & Loretta Sommers by Paul R. Sommers

Sharron Gillingham by Cary & Nancy Gillingham

Ray & Ruth Kubly by Michael Wilkinson • Ray & Ruth Kubly by Pamela L. Kubly

Joe Radocay by Jeff & Vicky Allen

#### **Grant Application Process**

Teachers in all eligible schools are encouraged to fill out a Grant Application (\$1,000 maximum request.) Just go to our web site, fill it out, and submit. <u>edfoundationwttnwi.org/grant-info.html</u> Teachers must apply by the first Friday of October.

The Educational Foundation board members meet and award as many grants as possible, based on the funds we have available and the needs of our teachers.

#### 2020-2021 Board Members



President



Kathy Wagner VP and Secretary





Brian Konz



Katie Najarian

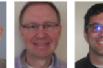


Jeff Allen



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#### Would You Consider Donating to the Educational Foundation of Watertown This Year?

Your contribution will enrich educational opportunities in the Watertown area. Grants are given to area teachers for creative projects that stimulate growth and learning in students of all ages. Use the form below to make your tax deductible donation today.

□ In Honor of □ In Memory of □ Donation (Please check one)

Name of Designated Person(s)

Donation Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Checks payable to:

Educational Foundation of Watertown, PO Box 243, Watertown WI 53094

Or donate online:

#### edfoundationwttnwi.org/efw-donations.html

We greatly appreciate your support of the Educational Foundation for our students and teachers!

#### **How You Can Help**

There are many ways you can help us grow, which in turn helps students in our community. Here are some ideas:

- Visit our web site and make a taxdeductible donation online: <u>edfoundationwttnwi.org/efw-</u> <u>donations.html</u>
- Make a donation by filling out the donation form on this page and sending your check in the mail
- Does your company match funds? If so, we would love to be a part of that
- Consider us in your Estate Giving
- Watertown School District
  employees can designate a tax
  deductible amount to be donated
  directly to EFW from their paycheck
- Visit our Facebook page often and please LIKE us. Invite your family and friends to do the same. facebook.com/EFofWatertown
- Sign up family and friends, and/or volunteer, for our annual fundraiser...the Watertown Jig Jog 5K Walk/Run...that takes place in March

#### watertownjigjog.com

- Volunteer at our annual Glenn's Market Brat Haus fundraiser...or just come eat lunch with us when its in session
- Consider being a board member! Just ask us for details.



