



Educational Foundation™

OF WATERTOWN, WI

Providing Grants for Local Classroom Projects

FALL 2019

The Educational Foundation of Watertown believes in excellence in education

President's Annual Report



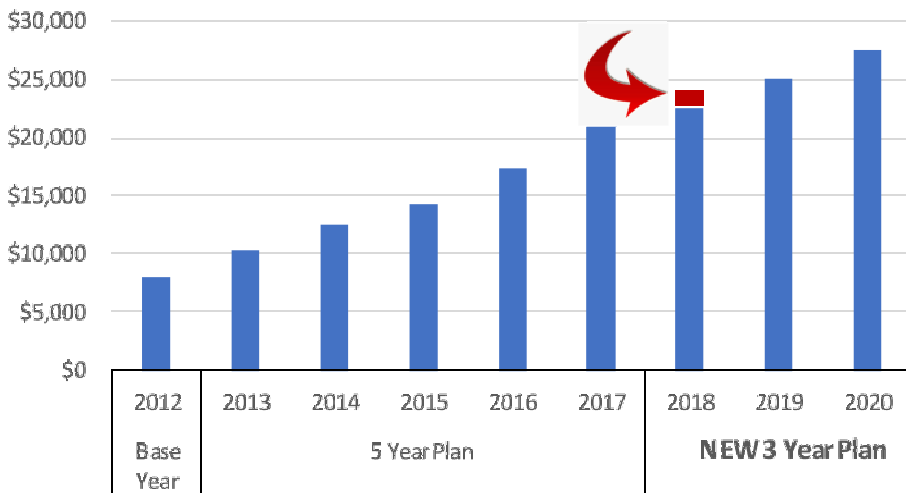
In 2017, the Foundation successfully completed its Five Year Plan that provided a total of \$75,000 in grant awards to local classroom projects.

2018 begins the first year of a new Three Year Plan which calls for providing a total of \$75,000 to classrooms within three years, instead of the previous plan's five years.

The first year calls for a total \$22,500 in grants, with the second year (2019) of \$25,000 and 2020 of \$27,500. This continues the ever-increasing awards total of \$2,500 annually.

In actuality, we were able to award \$23,975 in grants in 2018 surpassing the first year of the plan by \$1,475. The total number of awards was 42 with the schools and awards listed on the next few pages.

Annual Teacher Grant Awards 2012-2020



In addition to your contributions, your support of our major annual fundraising event, The Watertown Jig Jog, and investment earnings continue to provide support towards the Foundation's stated goals.

Your continued support allows award goals to not only be met, but surpassed. A complete list of contributors can be found near the back of this report.

We continue to greatly appreciate your contributing support of the Educational Foundation for our teachers and as always, most importantly, our students.

Again, THANKS for your continued support.

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!

A few of Our Many Grant Recipients



Grant Award Presentations:
Schurz School



Grant Award Presentations:
Luther Prep



Grant Award Presentations:
St. John's Lutheran School



Grant Award Presentations:
Good Shepherd Lutheran School

On the Move for Education in Watertown



If you would take a trip through Watertown schools, you will see many new and creative learning opportunities. The teachers

are excited because they were able to check off the number one item on their classroom wish list. You will also see students that are too busy having fun to notice they are learning essential skills.

Through grants, the Educational Foundation of Watertown has been assisting schools in their important mission since 1999. Just last year, almost \$24,000 was distributed to 42 educators in our local public and private schools.

If you walk into a kindergarten classroom at Schurz Elementary, you might see students practice letter/number formations or learning phonics on one of their six new iPads. Technology continues to be the most funded area and this year provided a 3D printer for Good Shepherd Lutheran School. Last year Riverside Middle School also received this new technology.

Twelve percent of last year's grants went for materials to enhance music and art. If you visit Douglas Elementary you might hear children practicing cords on their new ukuleles or see special education students constructing useful items to be used around the building.

Reading literacy and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) projects have been nurtured throughout. Watertown Catholic, Webster, St. John's Lutheran, Calvary Baptist and Watertown High School have received grants to develop crucial skills in these areas.

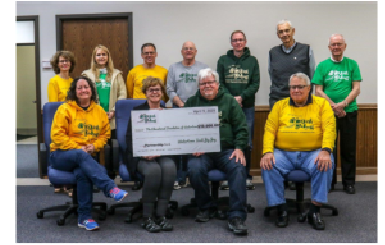
One of the best ways to keep the momentum going is to support or participate in our main fundraiser, the Watertown Jig Jog. Our Educational Foundation is "on the move" but needs you to help us give every child in Watertown the education they deserve.

Visit www.WatertownJigJog.com to join the fun!



Run, Jog, Walk or Lend a Hand for an Amazing Cause

- Over 450 walkers and runners are expected on Saturday, March 14th 2020
- Last year the Jig Jog raised \$10,000 for the EFW and \$1,000.00 for the Watertown Public Library Building Fund.
- Beautiful course, starting and ending at the Watertown Senior and Community Center. Surprise celebrity race marshal.
- Music and other surprises throughout the course! Aid station at the Octagon House with Lucky Charms!
- Six bib numbers will win a Kindle tablet or Amazon Echo. Course scavenger hunt with prizes.
- Valuable restaurant and merchandise certificates for best themed dressed runners and walkers.



- We have more walkers than runners! Historic Watertown walking tour brochures available.
- "Jiggle to Jog" training offered at the YMCA to get ready for the big day!
- Become a Jig Jog Facebook Friend and invite all of your friends to join us.
- To encourage healthy habits,

we offer a special family registration rate.

- \$250 to school PTA with most registered participants and volunteers. School also gets to keep challenge cup trophy for a year. Douglas, Webster and Watertown Catholic are past winners.
- Organize a group to cheer the Jig Joggers on the course.
- Gone that day? Register for the shirt or become a \$250 or \$500 sponsor.
- Not into walking 3.1 miles? Go to the website and volunteer to be a course marshal.
- Official timing for competitive runners and attractive medals for overall winners and 1st, 2nd & 3rd in 18 categories.
- Average temperature has been in the high forties to low fifties! You can almost smell spring!

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.

Recipient Schools

Teachers in all local schools are eligible to apply for grants...and ALL of these public and private local schools have received grants over the years!

- Schurz Elementary
- Lincoln Elementary
- Watertown Catholic (St. Bernard's & St. Henry's)
- Douglas Elementary
- Watertown High School
- Riverside Middle School
- Calvary Baptist Christian
- St. Paul's Lutheran
- St. John's Lutheran
- Webster Elementary
- Trinity-St. Luke's Lutheran
- Good Shepard Lutheran
- Lebanon Elementary
- Faith Lutheran
- Maranatha Baptist Academy
- Lebanon Lutheran



Stay Informed

Whether you'd like to make a donation, apply for a grant (if you're a teacher), volunteer your help, or just read more about how we're working to help students and teachers, all the information is on our web site.

edfoundationwttwnwi.org

Navigate to our Facebook page for day-by-day happenings, including photos of grant recipients, donor appreciation, what's happening in our schools, educational articles and events, Watertown Jig Jog and other fundraiser information, and appreciation to you for your generosity. Please LIKE us...and tell your friends and family to do so as well. We so appreciate anything you can do to spread the word about our foundation!

facebook.com/EFofWatertown

Teacher 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.

Applications must be submitted by an October deadline designated each year. 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.

Together We Can Make a Difference

Your generous donations or sponsorships have a big impact on the quality of our children's education. Each year, we receive more applications than we have funds available. We invite individuals and local businesses to join in helping fund additional classroom projects. Thanks so much for being a supporter of our schools, teachers and school children.

Please tell your friends, family members, and business leaders you know about us and the work we're doing for our community.



All Things Grow With Love

The glory of gardening: hands in the dirt, head in the sun, heart with nature. To nurture a garden is to feed not just on the body, but the soul. - Alfred Austin

Grant Recipient – Peter Watts 2018

The 7,000 square foot Riverside Middle School Garden has been an important part of the school community since 2014. All of the science classes are involved with the garden and over 850 students benefit from activities built around it.



Students germinate the seeds, plant the seedlings, care for the growing plants and harvest the food.



Students learn preparation and preservation methods so they can eat healthy foods and snacks throughout the winter!

Grant funds from the Educational Foundation of Watertown provided **1)** a commercial dehydrator which allows students to preserve tomatoes, zucchini, onion and other vegetables, **2)** a commercial vacuum sealer which is another food preservation tool and **3)** lumber and hardware to build a produce stand.



2018 Grants We Awarded Helped Pay for...

- “Calm Room” Materials
- 3D Printer and Supplies
- 4K Play/Learning Center Materials
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- Bluetooth Speaker and Case
- Books for Dual Language Classroom
- Breakout EDU Boxes with Platform Access
- Breakout EDU Kits
- Bullying Prevention Materials
- Camera with Editing Software
- Chromebooks
- Construction Art Materials for Special Need Students
- Data Collection Equipment for Science Labs
- Digital Cameras
- Dry Erase Boards
- High Interest Reading Books/Workbooks
- iPads
- iPads with Square Panda Set
- Library Books
- Materials for Super Heroes and Social Issues
- Mentor Texts and Chapter Books
- New ERE Books
- Osmo Genius Kits
- Physical Fitness Equipment
- Resources for School Garden
- Reward Reading Program
- Start Up Art Supplies
- STEM Learning Resources
- Ukuleles
- Variety of Board Games
- Variety of Book Titles

2018 Donations Honor Roll

A & S Plumbing *	Hillary Lobenstein *
Anonymous *	Margaret Luchsinger
Andrew Bare *	Maas Bros. Construction Co. *
Rosemary Becker *	Thom McGorey Music *
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Johnsonville LLC	Watertown Irish Jig Jog *
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Koplin Excavating & Grading *	WEnergies Foundation
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Cum Laude \$1,000+

- Robert & Joan Wilkinson *
- Pioneer Roofing LLC
- Carew Heating & A/C Inc.
- Jeffrey Tate (Piggly Wiggly)
- Johnsonville LLC
- Joe and Jill Kottwitz & Family & Friends
- WEnergies Foundation
- Watertown Jig Jog *
- Menasha Corporation/ORBIS Corp. *

In Honor of

- Our Children by Dave & Kathy Egan *
- Our Children & Grandchildren by Fred & Cindy Gremmels *
- Our Children & Grandchildren by Neale & Ruth Jones *
- To the Dedicated Service of WPS Staff by Frances Milburn & Lee Buescher *
- Our Children & Grandchildren by Rich & Ann Nienow *
- Our Grandchildren Landrie, Kinsley, Addison & Easton by Mark & Sue Putra *
- Our Children & Grandchildren by Randy & Barb Phelps *
- Our Grandchildren by Joe & Sue Rhodes *
- Josh, Christian & Evelyn Rhodes by Joe & Lorraine Rhodes *
- Our Grandchildren by Tom & Mary Schultz *
- Angie, Amy & Amanda by Rich & Kathy Wagner *
- Kathleen E. Wagner by the Will Family Foundation *

In Memory Of

- Rita Anderson by Alan & Barbara Anderson *
- Elaine Banks by Kitty Steuber *
- John & Elaine Banks by Randy & Barbara Phelps *
- Daryl Degner by Mary Degner
- Steven Engelbrecht, Glenn Steffan, Rosemary Oestreicher, Carol Uttech & Rita Anderson by Elden & Valerie Engelbrecht *
- Gary Fontaine by Diane N. Fontaine *
- Gail Groth by Kitty Stueber *
- Fred Gustafson by Karen Gustafson
- Fred Gustafson by Roger & Nancy Klein
- George & Janet Hennings by John & Carol Christian
- Jan Hoy by Edward J. Hoy *
- Jim Huhn by Jerome & Donna Borchardt
- Jim Huhn by Frances Milburn & Lee Buescher
- Gail Kottwitz by Joe & Jill Kottwitz, & Family & Friends
- Gail Kottwitz by Donald S. & Barbara J. Smith
- Ray & Ruth Kubly by Carol Kubly Scott *
- Ray & Ruth Kubly by Pamela L. Kubly *
- In Loving Memory of Ray & Ruth Kubly by Bob & Joan Wilkinson *
- In Loving Memory of Ray & Ruth Kubly by Michael Wilkinson *
- In Loving Memory of Ray & Ruth Kubly by Mary, Jen, & Allie Held *
- Dick Massuch by Jody & Ivan Thompson *
- Dick Massuch by Brian & Wendy Engelbrecht
- Ruth L. Model by Kitty Stueber *
- Lou Reider by Marie Reider
- Gary Smith by Jan Smith *
- Richard & Loretta Sommers by Paul R. Sommers *
- Bruce Wittenwyler by John & Nora David *

* Has given to the Foundation 4 times or more during the 5-year plan period



Grant Award Presentations:
Watertown Catholic



Grant Award Presentations:
Douglas School

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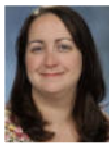
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Paul Sommers



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How You Can Help

There are so 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 **tax-deductible donation online:** edfoundationwttawi.org/efw-donations.html
- **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](https://www.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

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

It's also easy to donate online with credit or debit card or PayPal at the following link:
www.edfoundationwttawi.org/efw-donations.html

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