The Bartholomew Consolidated School Foundation

2022 Impact Report
Dear Friends of the School Foundation,

When I think about the foundation, many words come to mind: support, resources, learning, and generosity. There is another word that I would like to highlight: longevity. The school foundation was founded in 1955. BCSF is now approaching seven decades of helping our local schools, through many changes and challenges.

Thousands of donors have sustained the foundation throughout the decades, out of a belief in our mission of strengthening schools and enhancing education.

With the success and longevity BCSF has enjoyed, it might be tempting to simply continue with the status quo. BCSF, however, is a foundation in motion. As we soar into our next decade, new ideas and donation guidelines are emerging. For example, the foundation is now accepting major gifts with investment stipulations. With the help of our financial advising community of partners, the school foundation has begun investing gifts, starting with the $300,000 scholarship bequest of former BCSC teacher William Mihay.

We continue our matching program with the Donors Choose initiative, which makes classroom project need fulfillment easy and fast for teachers. BCSF funds $50,000 per year, but is matched dollar for dollar by Donors Choose and its vast network of givers.

Strong schools lead to strong communities. We know this, and will keep advocating for our teachers and students, so that we see a community in which goals and dreams are not just reached, but exceeded.

With deepest gratitude for your support,

Nicole Cunningham
Executive Director, BCSF
2022 Foundation Giving

**Unrestricted Giving**

- BCSC Professional Development: $1,500
- BCSC Autism/Sensory Support: $300
- Donors Choose Classroom Support Grants: $50,000
- Lightning Grants: $10,000
- Spark Night: $500
- STEM Initiatives: $1,900
- United Way School Supply Assistance Program: $500

**Restricted Giving**

- 3rd Grade Architecture Tours: $5,300
- Burton 5th Grade Camp: $10,335
- Central Library Funding: $2,000
- Crider Fund $18,000
- Reeves Foundation Target Cards: $93,700
- SAFE Fund: $1,400
- Scholarships: $10,000
- Wide Horizons Fund: $7,000
2022 Scholarships

Columbus East Scholars

Jean McClellan Scholarship
Lillia Stidam

Louise J. and Wells H. Fish Scholarship
Mackenzie Jacks

Cole Morgan Memorial C4 Scholarship
Harley Gant

Tony London Company Scholarship
Kevin Galindo Sanchez

Bill Stearman Scholarship
Zoe Barnsfather

Andrea Quick McDowell Education Center Scholarship
Alexa Pike

Columbus North Scholars

Hazel McKain Scholarship
Emma Walker

Jean McClellan Scholarship
Annabel Freeman

Louise J. and Wells H. Fish Scholarship
Rachel Cowan

LeRoy Nelson Memorial Scholarship
Morgan Allen

Parkside Laura Cox Memorial Scholarship
Matthew Liu

Chef Gregory Scholarship
Aiyenah Scism

Cole Morgan Memorial C4 Scholarship
Annabel Freeman

Tony London Company Scholarship
Tristen Dyette (New Tech/North)

CSA Lincoln PTO Scholarship
Tristen Dyette (New Tech/North)

Xavier Scrogham Memorial Scholarship
Aiyenah Scism
BCSF partners with Donors Choose to address the reality that teachers often spend their own money for classroom supplies. Teachers submit a short description of their needs online, donors fund the projects, and BCSF matches the funding using community donations.

Supplies are curated and delivered directly to teachers, saving time and money.

Since BCSC teachers began using Donors Choose, a total of $311,000 has been distributed.

In 2022, BCSF placed $50,000 into the match campaign.

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Thanks to Donors Choose and BCSF, we are able to put a little bit of fun back into the high school classroom!

Learners have been able to enjoy the classroom environment by taking advantage of learning putty, Play-Doh, and stacking rocks to help relieve stress and aid in anxiety relief. Learners know that any time they enter the room they can pick up those items—and they do—often.

I have also been the recipient of Lego sets that we use to build sentence models to help us better understand sentence structure and paragraph construction. It is great to see high school students relaxed at a time when they are obviously feeling tension about college, grades, jobs, and so many other pressures.

Kelley Culp
Columbus North English Teacher
With the Donors Choose grant, I purchased manipulatives for reading stations and small groups for work on phonics. The kids were so excited! These grants are awesome!

Erin Corya
Taylorsville Elementary Kindergarten
Lightning Grants

The Lightning Grant program is funded by our STAR donors! Star donors are individuals who give $240 per year outright or by subscription to BCSF. On Giving Tuesday, the school foundation issues a call for donors to become STARS.

Each month of the school year, BCSF randomly draws 4 BCSC staff members' names to receive a $250 grant. Every BCSC staff member is eligible, and lightning grants have been awarded to classroom teachers, cafeteria staff, teaching assistants, bus drivers, special education teachers, and more!

The funds can be used in any way that directly benefits student learning and well-being.
Lightning Grants

I used my $250 Lightning Grant to purchase food and supplies for our Ethnic Expo. Students researched 15 different countries and sampled a food from each one as well.

We could not have done this for the 57 students in our 1st through 5th multi-age classroom without the grant!

Thank you so much!

Kari Tyree
Taylorsville Elementary School
With exceptional sponsor German American Bank, the support and talents of kidscommons staff, the IU School of Architecture, and volunteer tour guides, the school foundation is able to provide all BCSC third graders the opportunity to see and learn about the architectural wonders of Columbus.

The students visit kidscommons to dream about their own building design and collaborate to bring their visions to life.

Tour organizer Kathy Armstrong, BCSF Executive Director Nicole Cunningham, and longtime architecture tour organizer Janice Montgomery.
Chick-fil-A National Road and the school foundation have partnered to recognize a top student at each BCSC elementary school during the academic year.

Winners show a positive attitude in work and friendships. For their achievements, their families receive two free meals and the classroom receives cookies!

Donations are also used for special programming throughout the academic year. BCSF was proud to provide learning materials for *GirlUp! STEM 2022* and *SPARK Night*, a career exploration night for Columbus sixth graders.

To address teacher stress management, BCSF hosted *Tea for Teachers* which included a presentation by a life and empowerment coach to help manage the stressors that come with classroom demands.
In March 2022, the Harlem Wizards game (BCSF fundraiser) set attendance records with nearly 2,000 fans in the audience.
Thanks to the generous sponsorship of Columbus Auto Group, BCSF was able to provide a free holiday event to the community.

**Cookies with Santa** took place on December 10, 2022. We welcomed several hundred people, who took photos with Santa, decorated cookies, played games, and enjoyed the warm and fun atmosphere.

"Thank you for helping make a memory for the girls today!"
- BCSC Parent
Toyota Material Handling
School supplies generously donated to local schools.

5K - BCSF with the Grimes and Wallace families
$500 to a teacher or $1,000 to a teaching team that brings innovative thinking to the classroom. The 2022 Out of the Box award recipient was Jenna Flannery of CSA Fodrea.

The Reeves Foundation
A $100 Target gift card was given to every certified BCSC teacher, administrator, and school counselor.

The Bartholomew Consolidated School Foundation gave $500 to the 2022 BCSC Teacher of the Year Veronica Buckler of CSA New Tech.

A $5 Viewpoint gift card was given to every BCSC staff member for the annual Grateful and Thankful campaign.
FISCAL AGENT

BCSF provides administrative, financial processing, and tax reporting support to three nonprofit organizations in Bartholomew County.

- **BCSC Pre-K Busy Bees Academy** serves the need for affordable Pre-K
- **Book Buddies** provides literacy support for BCSC elementary students
- **Family School Partners** provides Kindergarten readiness programming and support for families of toddlers
Landmark Farm Foundation has enriched the lives of an incalculable number of BCSC students through years of sustained generosity.

Their giving hearts have engaged growing minds in ways that would not have been possible otherwise.

Landmark Farm also supports learning outside of classroom boundaries through the Wide Horizons Fund, which supports academic team travel to competitions and leadership experiences that are life changing—and mind expanding.

Helping students to touch, hear, and experience lessons in deep, meaningful, and memorable ways.
The Reeves Foundation has taken teacher needs from the "wouldn't it be nice if..." list, to the shopping list:

- Snacks to sustain students through long mornings or afternoons
- Play-Doh to strengthen young hands
- Foam dice to help kids learn to count
- Books for story time
- Sidewalk chalk for fresh-air fun
- Manipulatives for math class

Donations from The Reeves Foundation have supported the school foundation to offer resource grants and educational programs, as well as the generous $100 Target gift cards for all certified teachers, administrators, and counselors.

The school foundation, and by extension, BCSC educators and students, have flourished with these vital donations.

From our hearts, thank you!

Reeves Foundation,

On behalf of Columbus North High School, I want to express our gratitude for your generosity. Teachers change the world and your gift has enhanced significantly their ability to do just that! Thanks!

David Clark
CNHS Principal
Corporate and Community Support

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