



Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation

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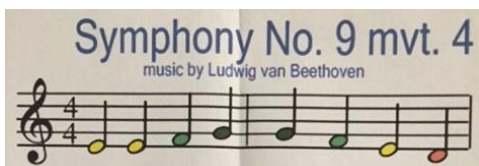
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SPOTLIGHT ON FUNDED PROJECTS

3rd Graders Make Music at Madison



With no music specialists, elementary classroom teachers get creative to provide music instruction to their students. Third grade teacher Lillian Erb received a foundation grant for “Boomwhackers,” plastic tubes that produce a tone when “whacked” or struck, as Lillian’s students are shown doing in the photo above. Different tubes yield different notes to produce a melody. Lillian tells us that these unusual instruments, “provide an opportunity to build knowledge of composers, music reading skills, coordination, fractions, and teamwork in an interesting way.”



Our Foundation Endowment Grows

From the very beginning we’ve wanted to establish an endowment to support foundation grants in perpetuity. The family of Kay Lorence began this process for us by creating a memorial endowment honoring Kay. We present a grant supporting early childhood literacy each year in Kay’s name. Until now, however, we have been unable to add much to our endowment. Enter Mark Helfrich, head football coach at the University of Oregon and 1992 Marshfield High School graduate.



Last February, Mark graciously participated in a benefit event for our foundation that raised \$35,000 for our endowment fund. In the photo above, Coach Helfrich is flanked by board members Mary Paczesniak and Kathie Leberti. As an expression of our appreciation, one of our annual grants will be designated as the Helfrich Family Grant Award. Thank you, Mark!

Funded Projects 2015 – 2016:

This year the Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation funded 38 school district programs and projects worth \$22,330. A partial list of this year's funded projects appears below, and a complete list can be found at www.coosbayschoolsfoundation.org.

Arts

- Pottery project supplies at Blossom Gulch
- Tickets to a performance of "Twelfth Night" in Ashland for Resource Link students
- Quilt-making supplies for Blossom Gulch kindergarteners

Academics

- Science lab equipment at Sunset and Marshfield
- Math manipulatives at Blossom Gulch and pull-down wall maps at Marshfield
- Books and supplementary materials for instruction at Blossom Gulch, Madison, Harding and Marshfield

Athletics

- Laps program incentives at Madison and Blossom Gulch
- Football uniforms and a blocking sled at Marshfield
- Wrestling head gear and equipment at Marshfield

Activities

- Debate research materials for Marshfield's Forensics Team
- Printing costs for one issue of *The Marshfield Times* (2013 winner as best student paper in the US)
- Hallway benches for Pirate Hall (Helfrich Family Grant)

Our Mission Statement:

The mission of the Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation is to promote programs for the arts, academics, activities and athletics for the benefit of the students of the Coos Bay School District by raising funds through community partnerships.

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THANK YOU: This year Oregon Pacific Bank served as the sponsor of our Spring Tea fundraiser. We are grateful for their generous support.

HOW CAN I HELP? Contributions to our annual grant fund can be mailed to: Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation, P. O. Box 1372, Coos Bay, OR 97420.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Our annual Spring Tea will be held in April, 2016. This fundraising event is by invitation and if you would like to attend, please contact Jennifer Groth, (541) 267-6662.

