



Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation

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Spotlight on Funded Projects:

Extra Instruction for Beginning Readers:

Thanks to a generous \$10,000 grant from the Judith Ann Mogan Foundation, we were able to fund pilot curriculum to improve reading skills for Eastside and Madison students in kindergarten, first grade, and second grade. Students in six elementary classrooms receive brief daily instruction from the phonics-based Really Great Reading Program. In the photo below Eastside second graders are engaged in a lesson.



Coos Bay Schools K-2 Literacy Instructional Coach Amelia Edd says, "Students who struggle to read after third grade rarely catch up and are much less likely to graduate. This program helps students begin to read by teaching foundational skills to decode or 'sound out' words and read fluently. When beginning readers decode words more easily, they can better comprehend what they read. This can help students recover from learning loss caused by the pandemic and be especially helpful for at-risk students."

Thanks to the Judith Ann Mogan Foundation for providing this additional boost to help Coos Bay beginning readers!

STEM Grant for Marshfield Jr. High



CBSCF President Nancy Tedder presents a \$5,000 grant to Marshfield Junior High School science and math teachers Rylee Trendell, Molly Gibson, Andrew Price, and (Bottom Row) Sonja McMackin, Erica Miller, Cyndol Claycamp, and Samantha Beckett.

A Foundation donor gives annually to support science, math, and technology (STEM) programs. This fall we awarded a \$5,000 grant to STEM teachers at the new Marshfield Junior High School building to enrich the math and science classes.

The MJHS Science Department used part of the grant to purchase dissection tools and specimens (shown below) for life and marine science classes. These give students hands-on activities to learn about the structures and functions of different body parts, as well as the differences between different types of organisms. Thank you, CBSCF donors!



CBSCF Endowed Funds:

We knew we would be able to fund more projects by establishing an endowment with the Oregon Community Foundation (OCF). OCF manages endowed funds for charitable organizations in Oregon so that they can use the proceeds to support their charitable goals. OCF guarantees an annual payout of at least 4% on the fund principal, making it truly the “gift that keeps on giving.”

In February of 2015 we held a fundraising event featuring then-head U of O football coach (and Class of 1992 Marshfield graduate) Mark Helfrich to raise the \$25,000 minimum required to establish an OCF endowment. Kay Lorence’s family established another endowed fund to honor Kay’s memory and support her lifelong work of promoting literacy. A third fund, the Stan Sweet Legacy Fund, was added after Stan’s untimely death to celebrate his memory and his exceptional teaching career with Coos Bay Schools. Last spring we added a fourth endowed fund, Coach Mac’s Legacy Fund, to honor the memory of Head Track Coach and MHS graduate Rich McIntosh.

This year we received a payout from our OCF endowed funds of nearly \$5,000. This is more than the total amount we were able to award in grants in 2008! Some of the projects supported by these endowed funds are shown below:

Helfrich Family Fund:

Replace worn-out football helmets
Partial funding for 6 – 8 man football sled
GED prep materials for ARK (homeless students)

Kay Lorence Memorial Fund:

Books and book sets for beginning readers
Library books for alternative education students
Scholastic News subscription for 3rd graders

Stan Sweet Legacy Fund:

Tour of tall ship *Lady Washington* for 4th graders
Program to create comic strips for ELL students
Studio to School art program for Sunset students

Coach Mac’s Legacy Fund: (new this year)

Point the camera of your smartphone to our QR Code. It will take you to our website!



Projects Funded by CBSCF to Date:

The Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation was formed in 2007. We have awarded 417 grants worth more than \$300,000 to provide greater opportunities and enriched educational experiences to students in Coos Bay Schools.

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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Are you 72 or older? You can transfer part or all of your IRA required minimum distribution (RMD) directly to a qualified charitable organization and avoid claiming the income on your tax return. This could be a win-win for you and the CBSCF if you are so inclined! (As this is not intended to be tax advice, you would need to consult your tax and/or financial advisor to see if making a qualified charitable distribution is right for you. For more information, refer to IRS Publication 590-B.)

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