

New Albany-Floyd County
Education Foundation

2013
Annual Report

We all want what's best for our children. We work hard to provide motivation, inspiration and support in hopes of ensuring a rewarding life for them. Their young lives are so busy and complex that sometimes it's easy to forget just how essential a great education is if they are to reach their full potential.

Without a sound education, it is virtually impossible to bring out the true greatness within. For the majority of students in New Albany and Floyd County, that means a sound education in our public schools.

Businesses cannot function without an educated, skilled workforce. Communities cannot grow without capable and caring individuals who share their talents with one another. The NAFC Education Foundation exists to facilitate the development of such individuals. To provide our county's children with early literacy development before they reach the doors of our schools. To show our students that learning happens everywhere, not only in the classroom. To engage our community so that it will help us meet our mission and strive for academic achievement for all. As a separate 501 c 3 non-profit organization, we work in concert

with the NAFC School Corporation to provide resources and experiences which help our educators do what they do best—impact young lives, and stimulate young minds! These are goals we have set to keep pace with our community's growing education needs.

We believe in the promise of a great public education. We fear the consequences of its absence. Although the success of a student ultimately depends upon their own efforts it doesn't happen without your support. We are so grateful for your help! We could not have come this far without the commitment of our many passionate partners. We would not dare to envision an even greater tomorrow for our students without the continued generosity of our supporters—many of whom are dedicated educators and staff members of our schools-pledging each year to create better opportunities for our children. Together, let us continue to help our students discover their talents and reach their goals. Then let us marvel as we watch them do wonderful things for our community.



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## **Great Classroom Projects**

DURING THE 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR, AMERICAN TEACHERS SPENT \$1.6 BILLION OF THEIR OWN MONEY ON CLASSROOM SUPPLIES AND TEACHING MATERIALS.

We know the exceptional educators in NAFC schools give all they can to make sure their students succeed. To help them along in their efforts, we are proud to offer the opportunity for any educator in the district to apply for up to \$500 a year in Great Classroom Project funding. These projects are used to provide additional resources to creative teachers for learning opportunities that enhance the educational and curricular objectives of their classrooms.

#### **Examples of past projects funded are:**

- Yoga mats for yoga instruction and training in Health and  $\ensuremath{\text{PE}}$
- Books and audio recordings for students with special needs
- Frogs for dissecting in science classrooms
- Printing Press for art rooms
- CD based foreign language learning system
- Water basketball goals for health and fitness training
- Web based learning plans for students with disabilities
- Interactive technology like iPads and document cameras
- Music books, music stands, and interactive SMART Board software for music rooms



600 teachers!

"These resources light a 'spark' within students. This spark instills a love of learning that is invaluable. As a Great Classrooms Projects recipient for the past three years, I've been given the chance to entice learning and capture the attention of every student in my classroom. To hear my students make comments such as 'I can't wait to get to Reader's Workshop today because it is our tables' turn for the Smart Board stations,' or 'Miss Smith, if I write a whole page in my draft book can I please practice my spelling words on the iPad?' Now THAT is powerful. THAT is making a difference. THAT is instilling a love of learning."

#### **Abbey Smith**

Take one young child, add a book

filled with rich vocabulary and

vivid illustrations.

Place both in the arms of a

2014 NAFCS Teacher of the Year and 2nd Grade Teacher at Mt. Tabor Elementary

# **Imagination Library**

Since 2009, each month children under the age of five in our community have found a free, personally addressed, age appropriate book tucked in their home mailboxes. Imagination Library reaches over 3,000 young children monthly—serving more youth than any other single program in our county! With more books in the home, all families tend to read more with their children. The enclosed reading tips share strategies that parents can use to develop early reading skills such as letter identification and playing with letter sounds. Having books in the home is a significant factor in helping families establish a culture of learning long before their children enter school.

Currently over 100 local businesses, organizations, churches, and agencies promote this program to their customers, clients, members and employees by distributing registration brochures. Floyd Memorial Hospital assures that our newest citizens get an early start in reading by signing up newborns as they are discharged from the hospital. Thanks to NAFC Education Foundation, we are well on our way to both the premise and promise of Imagination Library of Floyd County: to create the next generation of successful readers!

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Add reading tips for parents
to expand the experience.

Mix together, until the child's
fifth birthday.

Common Repeat at least once daily to
create a child who will become a
life-long successful reader!

Registration for Imagination Library is very simple! Parents can register their children online at imaginationlibrary.com. Or complete and return a registration form found at many locations around our community such as your child's school office, the New Albany-Floyd County Library, or YMCA. Or you may call the Imagination Library's local office at 812-542-4001 or email bking@nafcs.k12.in.us to request a brochure or for more information.

Current enrollment: 3,146

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Fiscal year 2014 (July 2013-June 2014): 37,314 books delivered

Total children served since 2009: 6,518

Total books delivered: 162,962

## **Educational Tours**

The Foundation is proud to provide funding to elementary students for admission and transportation for numerous educational tours. This past year our elementary students were able to experience a wide range of historical and cultural experiences which connect directly to their classroom learning and curriculum.

Kindergarten – Approximately 800 students – Ogle Center, Stage One Family
Theatre Productions

Grade 1 – Approximately 800 students – Kentucky Science Center

Grade 2 - Approximately 800 students - production at Derby Dinner Playhouse

Grade 3 - Approximately 800 students - Scribner House and Culbertson Mansion

Grade 4 - Approximately 800 students - Corydon State Capital



## **Junior Achievement**

Junior Achievement of Kentuckiana is the region's leading provider of life-changing economics programs for students. In recent years students have demonstrated an alarming decrease in their understanding of basic economic principles.

Additionally, employers report widespread decline in basic employment skills and government reports give further evidence of the diminishing ability among young people to manage personal finances. To combat this struggle, the Education Foundation is committed to sending all 5th and 7th grade students in the NAFC school system to a Junior Achievement interactive classroom

During the 2013-2014 school year, the entire 5th grade student body, about 950 students, participated in Junior Achievement's BizTown and the entire 7th grade student body, about 925 students, participated in JA Finance Park through funding from the Education Foundation.

JA BizTown is a creative hands-on program designed to respond to employer and community leader concerns that students lacked the basic understanding of the economics and life skills needed for future roles in the workplace. The program combines a four-week classroom curriculum with a state-of-the art interactive free enterprise laboratory located in Louisville. The JA BizTown experience helps students learn and apply rigorous academic standards in math, civics, social studies, language arts and technology as 5th grade students play real life roles as citizens of their very own mini town.

JA Finance Park is a month-long economics education program that introduces personal financial planning and career exploration to 8th grade students. Classroom teachers deliver financial literacy basics during a four-week period, then students visit JA Finance Park to put into practice what they've learned about economic options and the principles of budgeting. Assisted by their teachers and a staff of trained volunteers, they have the opportunity to actually develop and commit to a personal budget.



TOUR

# Our Mission:

The New Albany Floyd County Education Foundation is an independent fundraising organization providing impactful resources and experiences to the students and teachers of Floyd County public schools.

## Our Vision:

The New Albany Floyd County Education Foundation seeks to be the recognized, endowment-driven funding facilitator for the educational achievement of students and teachers, through investing in the future of our schools and the Floyd County community.



# Pigs 4 Kids

Our 2nd annual Pigs 4 NAFC Kids fundraising project was a success! 40 piggy banks designed and painted by local artists of all ages were on display throughout Floyd County businesses to raise funds and awareness for NAFC schools through the Education Foundation. All proceeds helped to fund classroom resources through the NAFC Education Foundation. Additionally, the pigs were auctioned off at the Education Foundation's annual dinner/auction, the Education Celebration! on March

## **International Baccalaureate**

Floyd Central and New Albany High Schools are prestigiously joining the handful of Indiana schools to offer an International Baccalaureate diploma for next school year. These two schools will be among only 22 in the state of Indiana, and the only high schools offering the programme south of Indianapolis.

The International Baccalaureate Programme offers students the opportunity to obtain collegiate credits while requiring a rigorous six courses of study including areas of languages, social studies, the experimental sciences, mathematics, and world languages. The diploma-track, which students begin their junior year, requires more than finding right answers and passing exams. Students compose a 4,000-word thesis on a subject of their choosing with the guidance of a faculty advisor, as well as complete 250 hours of community or other service between their junior and senior years. Students in the programme also complete a theory of knowledge course that requires them to not only stand on what they know, but gives them the ability to back up why they know a given subject.

New Albany and Floyd Central High Schools will receive worldwide recognition while providing students graduating with an IB diploma many opportunities for college enrollment and scholarships. This accreditation was made possible by a generous grant from the Blue Sky Foundation.



# Scholarships

The NAFC Education Foundation was honored to award their second annual college scholarships to four graduating seniors. Savannah Wormley and Bailey Hussung from Floyd Central High School and Maria Johnson and Cloe Motley from New Albany High School all received \$1,000 toward college tuition. These scholarships were made possible by private donations.

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Total Assets as of June 30, 2014 \$ 118,767.58 Miscellaneous School Projects \$500 **Educational Tours and Transportation** \$25,000 Junior Achievement > \$30,000 **Great Classroom Projects Imagination Library International Baccalaureate** 

**Total Program Expenses in Fiscal Year 2014** 

\$339,500.00

#### **Bequest Information**

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If you would like to know more, please contact Tyler Bliss, Executive Director, at TBliss@NAFCEdFoundation.org or (812) 542-2228. You may also visit our website at www.NAFCEdFoundation.org.



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Memorial and Honorary Gifts - Make a gift in memory of a family member

**Events** - Participate in our Education Celebration! and Play FORE! Education Golf Scramble

The Education Foundation is an open door to make a multitude of projects possible! With your help, anything can be achieved. Contact the NAFC Education Foundation today for more information about opportunities for funding.

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