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As this school year comes to a close...

It is amazing to look back and see all that has been accomplished. Through the work of our incredible teachers and staff members and the generous support from many community partners, the Education Foundation provided a multitude of resources to our teachers, students, and broader education community. Free books were sent to children, 5th and 8th graders attended Junior Achievement classes, teachers received thousands of dollars in teaching resources, and new interactive technology was implemented. Our school system continues to be one of the strongest in the state because of great leadership, great teachers, a tradition of excellence in our schools, and the many community members who continue to put education initiatives at the forefront of their priorities. I am truly grateful to be a graduate of our GREAT NAFC schools and I am inspired by the generosity of our supporters. This is a wonderful community. You are a gift to the foundation. Thank you for your continued support.

Tyler Bliss
Executive Director
NAFC Education Foundation

Helping YOU Make Good Schools GREAT!

**Imagination Library:
3,000 Floyd County
Children Receive a Free
Book Every Month**



Can you imagine the excitement of a child racing to the mailbox to discover a new book addressed personally to

Thank a Retiring Teacher for Their Service With a Grateful Heart Gift!



What an incredible school year our children have had! This year marks a special occasion for many NAFC school teachers and their long career in teaching: they are retiring!

All of our teachers and educators have put so much work into ensuring the success of our children. We would like to do something special for them.

The New Albany Floyd County Education Foundation's single goal is to ensure the success of our students. We do that through our donors by providing resources for our teachers and children. We provide funding for

them? That scene is repeated month after month by approximately 3,000 Floyd County children who are enrolled in Imagination Library.

In Floyd County, thanks to the generosity of the Horseshoe Foundation, Imagination Library of Floyd County was launched in August 2009. Joined by over 100 community organizations and individuals who promote enrollment and support Imagination Library in various ways, our funding partners now include PNC, the Dollywood Foundation and the Community Foundation of Southern Indiana.

Any child from birth to age five who lives in Floyd County, Indiana is eligible to participate. Registration forms are available at the New Albany-Floyd County Public Library, distributed through NAFC Schools, Head Start, Hispanic Ministries of Southern Indiana, Indiana University Southeast, Success By Six, child care homes and centers, churches and many community organizations and businesses. Call the Imagination Library office at 542-4001 to receive a form by mail. You can also register online at www.imaginationlibrary.com.

The annual cost of one child's participation in Imagination Library is \$30. A whole month of books for all registered children is approximately \$6,000. Any and all contributions are greatly appreciated. Donations should be mailed to the Imagination Library, c/o New Albany-Floyd County Education Foundation, 2813 Grant Line Road, New Albany, IN 47150. Please make checks out to NAFC Education Foundation (For: Imagination Library).



You may also go to www.nafcedfoundation.org for more information or to donate online. Thank you in advance for assuring that our community's children become successful readers!

For additional information please

educational opportunities like Great Classroom Projects. \$500 in Great Classroom Project funding is available to any NAFC teacher for additional resources and teaching materials for their classroom. NAFC teachers received \$72,000 in Great Classroom funding in the 2011-2012 school year alone!

If you would like to honor our retiring teachers or any of the great educators in our school system, please consider making a Grateful Heart Gift in their name. That special person will receive a card with a hand written note thanking them for their service and letting them know a donation to the Foundation had been made in their name. Any amount will help our children and 100% of your gift will go towards funding future Great Classroom Projects for our teachers. *Just request a Great Classroom Project Brochure at the front office of any NAFC School or follow the link below to print your own:*

[\(Grateful Hearts Brochure\)](#)

Our teachers have given an incredible amount of work and time to this community to help produce amazing young learners. Won't you help us thank them by honoring them with a Grateful Heart Gift in their name?



A List of NAFC Schools Needs

REACH aims to connect schools with members of the community who may be able to fulfill needs at those schools. Please click the link below for our full newsletter and see how you may be able to help. We also ask that you forward our newsletter to your family and friends!

Teachers and Administrators: Consider sending your classroom and building needs to REACH. So often, people in the community don't know what needs our schools have. When we share those needs in our newsletter, perhaps we will "reach" volunteers who will be able to give their time or materials to help.

We have a time-sensitive request this month—a need for volunteers to assist with the inventory in the elementary school libraries:

Library Inventories: All Elementary Schools

Each year, volunteers are needed to help inventory books in the elementary school libraries. You do not need library experience to help with this task. Floyds Knobs (Tues., May 1); Greenville (Mon., May 7); Georgetown (Mon., May 14); Mt. Tabor (Wed., May 16); Green Valley (Tues., May 22); S. Ellen Jones (TBA); and Children's Academy (TBA). Each day begins at 8:00 a.m., but your help will be appreciated any time you can arrive on those mornings. If you are interested in volunteering to help with the inventory, please contact Brenda Snyder at [812-542-5508](tel:812-542-5508) or email her at bksnyder@nafcs.k12.in.us.

Check Out These Items in Our Newsletter...

- Adolescent Literature Books: **Highland Hills Middle School**
- Blessings in a Backpack Volunteers: **Fairmont Elementary** and **Slate Run Elementary**
- Cellos for Orchestra Students: **Highland Hills Middle School**

contact Becky King at 812-542-4001 or email bking@nafcs.k12.in.us

- Classroom & Personal Supplies for the Bulldog Assistance Center: **New Albany High School**
- Computer for Community Service Projects: **Highland Hills Middle School**
- Early Learning Center Material & Volunteer Needs: **Children's Academy of New Albany**
- Materials for Special Needs Classroom: **Mt. Tabor Elementary**
- Mentor Mii Volunteers: **New Albany High School, Hazelwood Middle School, Scribner Middle School, Slate Run Elementary, and S. Ellen Jones Elementary**
- Sewing Materials: **Hazelwood Middle School**
- School Uniforms: **Fairmont Elementary**
- Study Buddies: **Green Valley Elementary**

Click the link below to view our full newsletter:

[\(Link to Reach Newsletter\)](#)

Questions? Contact us at reachforschools@gmail.com.



Play FORE! Education Golf Scramble – Friday, July 20th

For any additional information about The Core E-Newsletter or anything involving NAFC Education Foundation, please contact Tyler Bliss, Executive Director at (812) 542-2228 or TBliss@NAFCedFoundation.org or visit us online at <http://www.nafcedfoundation.org>

We are now taking registration for teams, individuals, and sponsorships for the 4th Annual Play FORE! Education Golf Scramble at Champions Pointe Golf Club on July 20th, 2012.

Click on the link below to print forms or register online at www.NAFCedFoundation.org

Link to 2012 Play FORE! Education Golf Scramble [\(2012 Forms Attached\)](#)



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