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### Helping One Student at a Time

Enabling equal and equitable opportunities for students within Central Virginia's Rural Community

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#### **Donations**

- Many Community Donors
- Microsoft Give
- The Cove LKA Restaurant
- Hebron Baptist Church
- Chick-Fil-A
- ABS Unlimited
- Mt. Pleasant United Methodist
- Church of God
- Dominion Energy
- Walmart
- Dollar General

# Small, agile and impactful!

We are the Belmont Foundation and we have seven Board of Directors and many community volunteers. During the 2018-2019 school year we contributed 3,069 hours to Post Oak Middle School projects and invested over \$35,000 in the school.

We are ordinary people working together to do extraordinary things!

How would you write our 2019-2020 end of the year narrative?

# Social Media Stories



#### Recent Posts - Belmont Foundation Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/belmontfoundationva/">https://www.facebook.com/belmontfoundationva/</a>

#### Ice Cream Social 10/30/19

We did it again. Three wonderful days of serving ice cream sundaes at Post Oak Middle School. Over 600 students served, 41 gallons of ice cream, 16 cans of whip cream, 12 bags of Oreo cookies pieces, 12 bottles of chocolate syrup, 4 bottles of caramel, and 2 boxes of sprinkles! We also had 30 Belmont Foundation volunteers.

#### Mentoring 10/24/19

Belmont Foundation: Mentoring at Post Oak Middle School. We had our first after school game session. Lots of fun playing UNO, Cornhole, and Jenga. We have a 500 piece LEGO set of a bridge that we can build next week.

#### Dressing Day 10/23/19

Thank you to all of our volunteers. The Post Oak Middle School Dressing Day was a success. Thousands of clothes were donated and lots of shoes too. The Belmont Foundation provided 100 Chick Fil A sandwiches and gave 100 grocery bags to all that requested. We counted over 450 visitors for this special day. Thank you POMS for letting us share in this special event for our Community!

#### Grab and Go Grocery Bags 10/16/19

Great Community effort in packing grab and go grocery bags at Post Oak Middle School. We are prepared to provide another 100 grocery bags for events in October and November.

## How would you write our 2019-2020 end of the year narrative?

The Belmont Foundation continues to go above and beyond by donating over \$38,000 and 4,000 Community volunteer hours to Spotsylvania County Public Schools.

We are currently supporting Post Oak Middle School and Spotsylvania High School.

The small but agile team is influencing the lives of the teachers and staff within the two schools and impacting 2,300 students and their families.



Belmont Foundation and POMS Team

**Belmont Foundation Award** 

## 2019-2020 Kick-off - Go Big or Go Home

With our first year completed, we are ready to do more for the 2019-2020 school year. The BF participated in the POMS Back to School night by providing 1,200 hot dogs and a Kona Ice truck for the students and families.



Back to School - Hot Dogs

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# Success starts with nourishment

### Provide a balanced diet for better behaviors and learning environments

The Belmont Foundation Lunch Fund. It is a very simple concept. All students that want a hot lunch, now have the ability to have that lunch.

The Foundation is funding a program that is managed by the Post Oak Middle School administrators, teachers, and cafeteria staff. Last year we provided 600 lunches to students that were in need. We provide monthly funding as needed.

The Students of the Month program is a great incentive that Post Oak Middle Schools executes. We provide a monthly Chick Fil A breakfast for 50 of the students. It is a lot of fun watching the students receive their certificates and then enjoy a great breakfast treat. We are planning another 600 breakfast sandwiches for the school year.







The Monthly Grab and Go Grocery Bags are intended to help families supplement their food for the month. We are partnering with the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank and this allows us to purchase food and provide the groceries to our Spotsylvania families that would like community support. We will exceed our previous 800 bags provided last school year.

The Weekly Snack Bag program is great for the students that stay after school for homework, special projects, and other activities. This enables the students to have nourishment during their long day of activities. We are on track to deliver another 5,250 snack bags for the school year!

Snacks: SunnyD, chips, cookie, pudding or fruit cup

#### Video:

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## Incentives to stay in school and try to do your best

### Be the difference - Support our youth!



# Weekly Snack Back Packing









## Good Student Attendance Awards - Ice Cream Social

**2019 Quarter 1:** Over 600 students served. Special thank you to <u>The Cove at Lake Anna</u> (6320 Belmont Rd. Mineral, VA) for the great deal on the ice cream and toppings. Thank you to our 30 Belmont Foundation volunteers during this three day event!









## You are not alone, and we are here for you

# Teachers are people too

We had a **staff appreciation** week last year and it was a lot of fun. Every day was eventful for our POMS staff. Breakfast and lunch celebrations was nice for the community to be involved. We had fun with the many daily raffle prizes of gift cards, Amazon readers, Echo devices, and two Yeti coolers.

For the 2019-2020 school year, we had a welcome back teacher lunch. Grilling hot dogs on a nice August day.

Something new for this year is a monthly staff appreciation event. We have planned a variety of events, such as, breakfast, lunch, raffles, a special treat for all staff.











# Dressing Day - Clothing Drive







**Clothing Drive** – Special thank you to the community for donating thousands of clothes. Thank you Belmont Foundation volunteers for the hours of set-up and clean-up activities.

### Life events

# The holidays in our Community



## Thanksgiving Dinner



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Thanksgiving Dinner - Last year we provided the Thanksgiving dinner groceries for 42 families. We would like to exceed groceries for more than 70 families for this year. When we overachieve, we will add another school for Thanksgiving.

Angel Tree - Tremendous fun with the holiday shopping and seeing the students smile. We sponsored 10 students for gifts that included bikes. We delivered \$50 gift cards to 20 families. All 680 students received a gift card to the Five Below store.





## **Donations and Volunteering**

# Giving to others

We have a few Corporate donors and we are pursuing grants. However, the consistent monthly donations from our local community is what truly enables us to invest in the school daily.

A \$50 monthly donation is tremendous value to our students. We are forecasting investing another \$38,000 in Spotsylvania County Public School system and over 4,000 volunteer hours.



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**Belmont Foundation** 

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### **Current Contributions**

- ✓ Microsoft Give 50%
- ✓ Community Businesses 25%
- ✓ Community Individuals 25%



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We are just ordinary people!











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