

WEST FELICIANA EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Annual Report

2015

Our Mission

The West Feliciana Education Foundation fosters community support for the West Feliciana Parish School system through volunteerism and financial contributions.



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"I had a blast at the WFEF Dodgeball Challenge! Although I call Baton Rouge home, the folks from St. Francisville showed me, and all of the other teams, the utmost hospitality. The tournament also supported a worthy cause in that the proceeds directly benefitted the West Feliciana Parish School System. I'm already looking forward to next year's tournament."

- Joe Cefalu (pictured above)
Attorney, Baton Rouge, LA

Nearly half of our 2015 net income is being used to fund our 2016 Innovative Teaching Grants.

\$6,000
has been set aside to fund 2016 school improvement projects.

Less than 1% of our total income is used for operating costs.

Our Story

Our public school system is one of the best things about West Feliciana Parish. We believe our strong public schools are the backbone of our community. Our schools are continually among the highest rated in the state. Our high school can boast that nearly 93% of our students graduate with 73% enrolling in college. This is a huge accomplishment when you consider that 52% of our students live in poverty.

Recently our schools have faced some tough budgeting issues. Over the last several years, the cost of providing a top notch education has been dramatically increasing due to unfunded state mandates, decreasing tax revenue, and increasing retirement and insurance costs.

Upon realizing the school system's dire financial situation, a group of parents and citizens gathered around a table and formed an idea. That idea continued to grow and a founding board was created, articles of incorporation were crafted and scores of other tasks were tackled.

WFEF was formed to help harness the strong community support for our public school system. Our objectives include: funding innovative teaching, helping to fund classroom and school improvements, partnering with other school groups, and organizing volunteer efforts. Funding these types of projects will take some financial pressure off the schools. WFEF has the potential to bring individuals from all facets of our community together to not only take pride in our schools, but to embody our slogan, "We Are West Fel!"

New Carpet for Commons Area

In May, WFEF partnered with the Women's Service League of St. Francisville for Picnic in the Park. Enough money was raised to replace the carpet in the WFHS commons area.

This effort was headed up by WFEF Board Secretary, Caroline Alberstadt. She along with several volunteers removed the old carpet and installed the new carpet in just two days! The old carpet will be reused at the new WF Food Pantry and Clothes Closet.

Thanks to You!

Our volunteers noticed the WFHS vacuum had seen better days. Within 2 days our donors provided funding for a new vacuum.



The WFHS cheerleaders love the new carpet!



SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday,

August 27, 2016

Team registration opens
mid-April

For sponsorship
information, contact:

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3-2-1 Dodgeball!!!

NEW FOR 2016

1. Innovative Teaching Grants to be awarded in May.
2. A facelift for the WFHS ProStart room is underway with more projects coming.
3. More volunteer opportunities coming soon, so stay tuned!

A BIG THANK YOU to YOU!

Without your donations and gifts of time, we couldn't do all that we do for our schools.

- \$19,006.94 in direct donations
- \$17,005.00 raised from the first ever WFEP Dodgeball Challenge
- HUNDREDS of volunteers hours



Thank you to our 2015 WFEF Dodgeball Challenge Sponsors



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