

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

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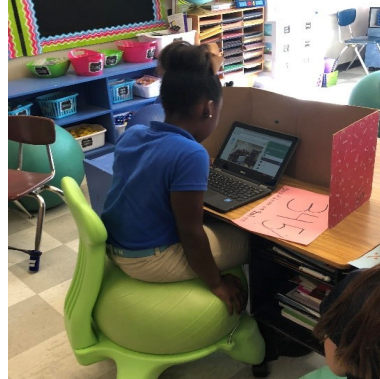
2017 Innovative Teaching Grants Awarded

Approximately \$18,000 was allotted to teacher grants by the West Feliciana Education Foundation in the Spring of 2017. These grants will be in place through August 2018. Grants included: virtual reality headsets for the middle school; robotics bootcamp for selected students to attend from WFHS; alternative seating options for students at Bains;

Listening Centers at Bains Lower; Math Workshop at WFMS; and teachers attending conferences on Discipline.

Caryn Trisler and Wendy Richardson both attended the National Conference on Discipline. Ms. Richardson developed a PowerPoint presented to the teachers at Bains Elementary. Ms. Trisler noted that what stood out most in the conference was building student relationships. She has employed two strategies to do this. Each Friday two students eat lunch with her. They really look forward to it and being able to chat with her freely. In addition, each student looks for and recognizes other students doing “good” activities at school. The students write the good students’ names on a ticket, along with the reason they are nominated. Each Friday students are recognized for being good by a certificate with their name on it, as well as the reason for being good! Ms. Richardson also noted that she shared the strategies that they learned with the teachers, as well as how to de-escalate behaviors when students were highly stressed.

Teresa Pritchard set up a math workshop at WFMS using grant funds. She stated, “The whiteboard table and the energy ball stools are a big hit! Some students have stayed after school so they can work with her using markers on the table.



JaNyah D., a fourth grader at Bains Elementary.

Students love their new seats!

I think that they help us be less fidgety and to focus better.”

- JD

“I think they help you focus and relax your mind, in other words they are great/amazing!”

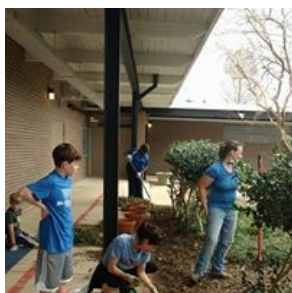
- Peyton

“I think it feels like I am using a fidget toy.”

- Pierre

“The balance balls are the best.”

- Jackson F



WFEF hosted its first ever Day of Service in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Volunteers helped spruce up the courtyards at both Bains Lower and Bains Elementary. The sandpits at the WFHS track were prepared for new sand as well. *Pictured above from left to right: Volunteers weed the gardens at Bains Elementary. WFEF board member, Stacie Nwambueze and Jack Pangburn bag up weeds and sticks. Scotty Owens, also a WFEF board member, helps to rake out a sandpit.*

3-2-1 Dodgeball!

This year's WFEF Dodgeball Challenge was our most successful to date. Nearly \$35,000 was raised! We are so grateful to all of our sponsors, teams, and volunteers. Your support allows us to continue to do great things for the West Feliciana Parish School District. #whywedodgeball

We have decided to move the 2018 WFEF Dodgeball Challenge to the fall. The tournament will be held Saturday, October 6th. More details to be announced soon, but be prepared to tailgate!



Pictured Top Left to Bottom Left:

The Bayside Ballers storm the court.

Referee, Brian Patton, meets with the teams.

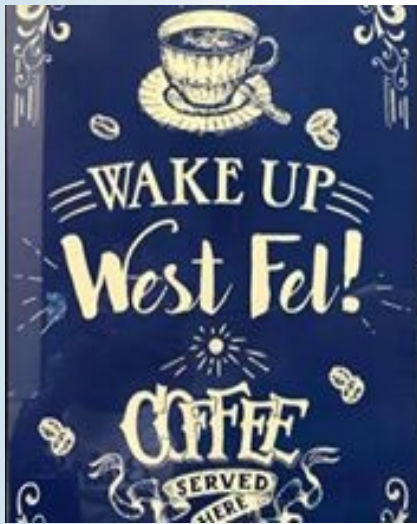
Stuart Hughes and Adam Whatley partner up to announce and entertain the crowd.

Dodgeball fans taking it all in.

Aimee Cook (Bank of St. Francisville team) ready to fire a shot.

Nely Ward keeps the bracket board up-to-date.

Saturday, October 6th
WFEF Dodgeball
Challenge
BE THERE!



The West Feliciana Education Foundation was thrilled to be able to provide coffee to all four of the schools and the school board office for the 2016-17 school year! We know how hard the teachers, staff, and administration work to provide the best education for the children of West Feliciana Parish. We appreciate all that you do!

WFEF Funds Mock Trial Team Trip to Yale

The West Feliciana Education sponsored the WFHS Mock Trial Team's trip to Yale University in October to compete in a national competition and attend workshops. The team was able to compete against the high school mock trial national champions from North Carolina. Each team member was able to attend a workshop specific to their role on the team.

The WFHS team had a strong showing and Fiona Tully received a "Best Witness" Award. "We are now able to pass along the knowledge we gained to future team members," says Tully.



This is the result of one of WFEF's Innovative Teaching Grants, virtual reality in WFMS classrooms! Pictured: Students in Mr. Cutrer's class.



A gift designated to fund STEM in the schools is allowing teachers from Bains and Bains Lower to establish STEM programs at each school. Pictured: Mrs. Hayes in her Bains Lower classroom.



WFEF was excited to be able to partner with the West Feliciana Parish Library to purchase books, e-books, and audiobooks for the school system's required summer reading program. Not only did WFEF purchase materials for summer 2017, but also for the upcoming 2018 summer reading program.

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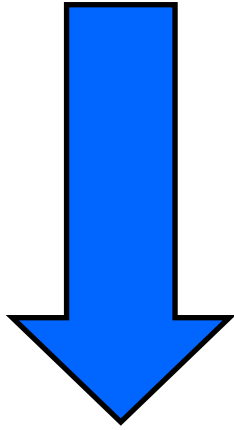
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by WFEF.

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for Kids!”*

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How to get involved:

You can get involved in helping the West Feliciana Education Foundation continue to do great things for kids!

If you would like to be a WFEF Dodgeball Challenge Sponsor, please email us at wearewestfel@gmail.com. You can also make a tax-deductible donation by visiting www.wearewestfel.org/donate.

We would also love the gift of your time. WFEF's MLK Day of Service can only succeed with the help of volunteers. Volunteers help ensure the success of the annual WFEF Dodgeball Challenge.

Enter a team in the WFEF Dodgeball Challenge! Or just come out and enjoy the dodgeball! This is a free and family friendly event that showcases the entire community's support of the West Feliciana Parish Public School System. This year's event will take place on Saturday, October 6th at the West Feliciana Sports Park.

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