

2018 ANNUAL REPORT

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2018 Innovative Teaching Grants Awarded

Approximately \$20,000 was awarded in teacher grants by the West Feliciana Education Foundation in the Spring of 2018. These grants will be in place through August 2019. Grants included: alternative seating options for classrooms at Bains and BLE; teachers from Bains attending the Ron Clark Academy and re-teaching that information at their school; white erase math tables and other math manipulatives at WFMS; technical equipment and programs for the students to use to learn Reading Skills at BLE; books for children to keep in the second grade at Bains to maintain reading skills over the summer; microscopes for WFMS; and a theater production at WFHS to be held during the Spring of 2019 ("Annie" is in rehearsal at WFHS for productions on April 11th, 12th, and 13th).

Megbe Hughes reported that the second grade students were allowed to pick a chapter book from a wide range of books to read over the summer.

She heard from many appreciative parents about how their children were reading over the summer! The data indicated that the students retained more of their reading skills over the summer than they did without appropriate reading materials.

Brittany Brumfield, Math teacher at WFMS, stated that, "WFMS 7th grade math students love the whiteboard tables I was able to purchase with the grant money. They do not hesitate to begin their work since now they can draw on the tables!"

Janet Malone, Reading Instructor at BLE, said, "I knew that the educational games would make a difference but I didn't realize how much it would change the way I looked at creating lessons and utilized them as a learning tool. Before the iPads, I would show a short clip from YouTube about what we were learning and that was my technology. Now I feel that I am lightyears away from that. The students using the apps purchased with the grant are: creating words, segmenting sounds, writing letters, matching sounds, and finding missing sounds. There are just so any great things happening in RTI utilizing the iPads and the apps purchased with grant money."



Book Selection for 2nd Graders



Alternative Seating for 1st Graders



Using Ipads and apps in RTI



Teachers receiving 2018
Grants

Students love their new technology!

"I like the way it helps me tap out sounds!"

"I like to put the words together. It makes reading fun!"

"We learn letters and sounds on the iPads."



WFEF has partnered with the following groups over the last 4 years to support our schools

Women's Service Legue

Drug & Alcohol Awareness Council

West Feliciana Public Library

Junior Achievement

West Feliciana Historical Society

West Feliciana Parish Schools

The teachers attending the Ron Clark Academy were very enthusiastic. They said that, "Visiting the Ron Clark Academy ignited a new spark in us!

We have since incorporated many ideas we learned from Ron Clark, his staff, and his students. We have also created and implemented a House system at Bains to



create a sense of unity among our school/ students and staff."

Ms. Singleton said that she, "Loved that the Reading A - Z program offers a quick search for teachers. I can find books that match a student's reading level, or the skill they are working on. I can send them home to keep. The online reading program offers me a quick look to see which skills they understand and what we need to work on. My students have read and listened to 244 books online in the last 7 days!"





Ms. Lynch shared that her students were using the new microscopes to look at samples of the pond water behind WFMS. They used online resources to identify what they saw and quickly discovered that the pond is not healthy. They are now working on a Save the Pond presentation which includes a narrative, budget, and plan with a timeline.

The Musical
Thursday, April 11th - 6:30 PM
Friday, April 12th - 6:30 PM
Saturday, April 13th - 6:30 PM
WFHS Auditorium
Tickets are \$7

Mr. Blaylock and the WFHS
Theater and Choir began auditions for Annie in November
and the cast has been working diligently on lines and
songs. There is a double
cast, two of each character,
spread among the four
shows. There will be a performance Friday morning for

Ms. Hayes used a grant from WFEF to purchase materials to teach coding and other math and science skills in the STEM program at BLE.





Scholarships for Graduating Seniors

This is the first year that the West Feliciana Education Foundation was able to begin a scholar-ship program. All WFHS graduating seniors were eligible to complete scholarship applications for either academic or vocational colleges. Students were chosen by a committee based on their commitment to their studies, their needs, and their involvement at school. The students chosen were Tyler King, Allie Wheeler, and Antonio Whitaker. All of these students had received formal acceptance to the secondary programs for which the scholarships were used. The funds for the scholarships were donated to WFEF on a Facebook Fundraising Tuesday.





WFEF hosted its Annual Day of Service in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Volunteers helped clean and re-paint all the bathrooms at West Feliciana Middle School. Mirrors in the student bathrooms were also replaced. We had many students, parents, school personnel, and board members volunteer to help with this project.

Martin Luther King

Annual Day of Service 2018



We Do 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 2019 WFEF Dodgeball Challenge to earlier in the fall. The tournament will be held Saturday, September 21st, 2019. More details to be announced soon, but be prepared to tailgate and to attend The Kid Zone with your children!

As usual, there will be Goof Ball and Hard Ball brackets - so you can play to have fun or play to be competitive! Costumes (or uniforms) play an important part in our Dodgeball Challenge. Children can play in the Kid Zone (with supervision provided), while teens can play ball! Last year our tournament winners were from WFHS!



WFEF Funds Mock Trial Team Trip to Yale

The West Feliciana Education sponsored the WFHS Mock Trial Team's second 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 recently won both the District and Regional Championships and advanced to the state competition in Louisiana. They won the state championship this past weekend.





Pictures courtesy of WFHS

Mock Trial Team after Winning State

Competition











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. WFEF purchased materials for summer 2017 as well as for the 2018 summer reading program.

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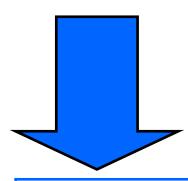
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For the fifth consecutive year, WFEF's operating costs are below 3%.

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In 2018,

over

\$36,800

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by WFEF.

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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 wearewest-fel@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**.

You can also join us on our Facebook page: We Are West Fel. We will post our various activities and opportunities to get involved. Here's our link:

https://www.facebook.com/wfefdodgeballchallenge/?ref=bookmarks

Enter a team in the WFEF Dodgeball Challenge! Or just come out and enjoy the dodgeball, the food, or the Kid Zone! 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 Satur-

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