



# LINCOLN COUNTY R-III EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Empower  Invest  Succeed

## GRATITUDE REPORT 2023/2024

Mission: To partner with like minded citizenry to advance our communities and promote education excellence.

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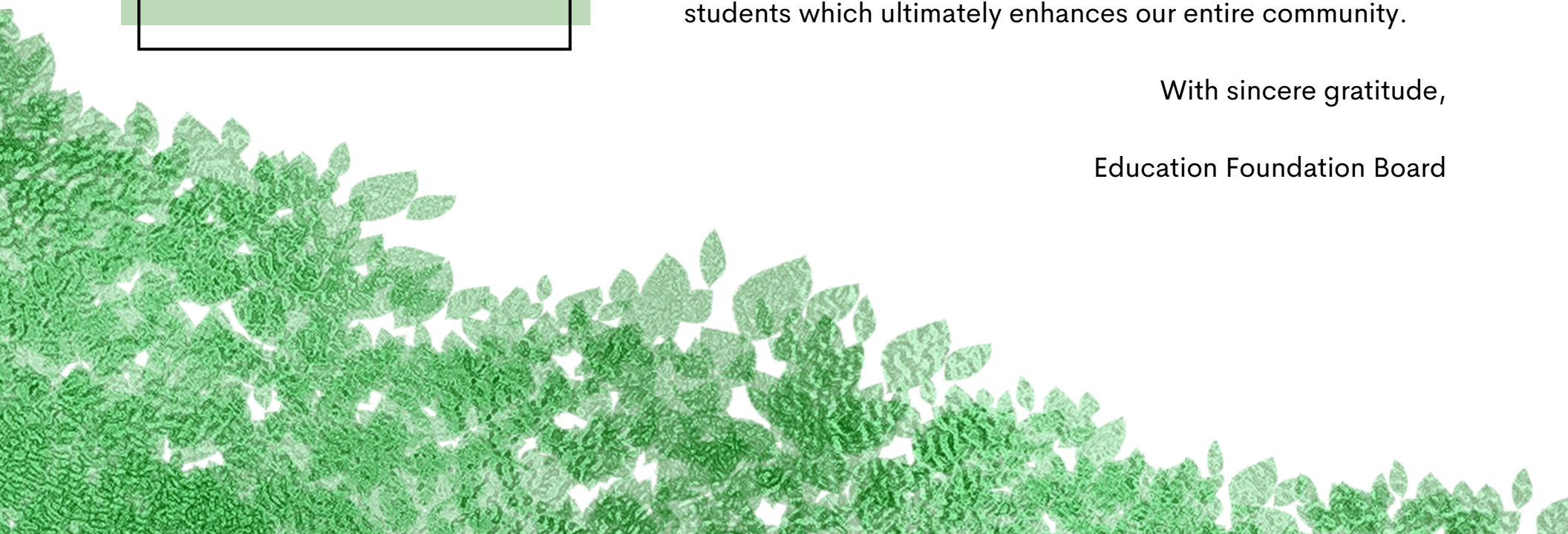
Dear Lincoln County R-III Community,

It is with sincere gratitude that we celebrate your support for the educators and students in the Lincoln County R-III School District. The Education Foundation completed its 12th grant season during the 2023-2024 school year. Your support has allowed our students opportunities for enhanced learning in areas such as reading, physical education and STEM (science, technology, engineering and math). As well as provide tools and resources for early childhood, social emotional learning and special education.

In this report, we celebrate the opportunities you created to ensure an exceptional and equitable education for our students which ultimately enhances our entire community.

With sincere gratitude,

Education Foundation Board



## What is the Education Foundation?

The Lincoln County R-III Education Foundation (LCR3EF) is an independent, non-profit organization consisting of volunteers from the community who donate their time and talent to foster partnerships and philanthropy to benefit public education excellence.

## What does the Education Foundation do?

Through the support of local donors and sponsors, LCR3EF funds projects and programs not otherwise possible within the constraints of the District's annual operating budget.

## Our Vision

To have a philanthropic community culture that enriches opportunities to maximize the potential of all children in the Lincoln County R-III School District.

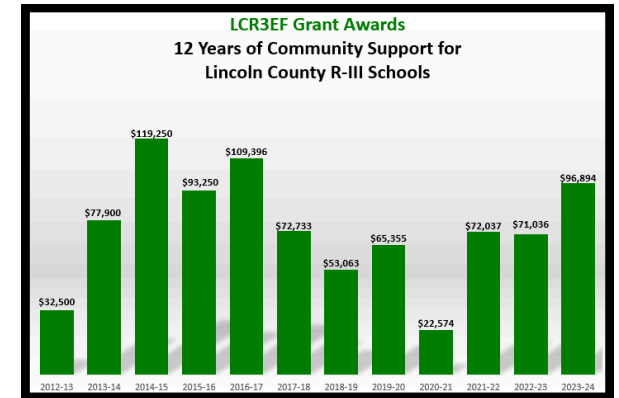
## Our History

In 2011, Superintendent Mark Penny along with the District's administration and Board of Education researched the possibility of organizing an education foundation to enhance public education in the Lincoln County R-III School District.

In 2012, the Lincoln County R-III Education Foundation was established to provide supplemental funds for educational programs, technology, and activities for the R3 School District.

Our inaugural year, LCR3EF awarded \$32,500 in grants to R3 educators. Since then, over \$885,000 has been distributed to support the students and educators of the R3 School District.

The LCR3EF Board is comprised of parents, local business owners and community members committed to raising funds to support the identified programs and activities of the Education Foundation.




## How can you get involved?

The Education Foundation is always welcoming new members who support our mission of education excellence. We have one board meeting per month and several events and committee meetings throughout the year.

- Join the Board
- Volunteer on a Committee
- Participate in events
- Donate
- Follow us on social media

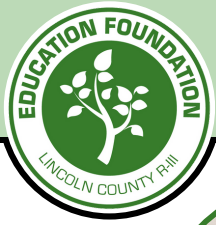
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# 2023-24 Grant Awards

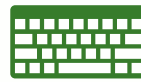
Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, **47 grants** totaling nearly **\$97,000** were awarded to Lincoln County R-III School District educators in 2024!



## 2024 QUICK FACTS

### 47 GRANTS AWARDED IN 2024

#### AREAS OF IMPACT IN 2024



TECHNOLOGY



ART



LITERACY



CULINARY ARTS



EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION



SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL LEARNING



SPECIAL EDUCATION



FLEXIBLE SEATING



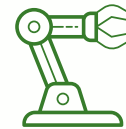
PHYSICAL EDUCATION



MUSIC



SCIENCE



ROBOTICS

# 12

YEARS

LCR3EF was founded in 2012.

# 413

GRANTS AWARDED

• 323 regular grants  
• 90 mini-grants

# 13

BUILDINGS

All 13 LCR3 school buildings have benefitted from at least one grant.

# \$885,000

IN GRANTS

The LCR3EF has provided over \$885,000 to LCR3 in classroom grants!





## 2023-24 Grant Awards

**Meredith Adam**  
Trojan Tots Preschool  
Supplies  
\$2,500.00

**Sydney Braun**  
Observational  
Drawing Tools  
\$553.40

**Nichole Bryant**  
Turning Pages,  
Igniting Minds - BES  
\$2,350.48

**Turning Pages,  
Igniting Minds - HPE**  
\$2,500.00

**Turning Pages,  
Igniting Minds - LES**  
\$2,482.26

**Elizabeth Coil**  
No Contact Boxing  
Therapy  
\$2,492.81

**Emily Crane**  
Recess: Promoting  
Inclusion through  
Activity  
\$2,366.78

**Tanya Deering and  
Lindsey Knaust**  
Special Education  
Technology Tools  
\$2,429.16

**Carly Diel and  
Jennifer Orton**  
School Store  
\$1,943.25

**Heather Dildine**  
It's Show Time  
\$2,500.00

**Andrea Eggering**  
Clarity in the  
Classroom  
\$2,206.19



**Samantha Gregory**  
Functional Life Skills  
Instruction  
\$2,485.11

**Stephanie Harris**  
Sensory Supports  
for All  
\$1,392.31

**Building Readers  
Through Reading  
Recovery - MSE**  
\$1,866.24

**Building Readers  
Through Reading  
Recovery - WCE**  
\$1,866.24

**Lynn Helm**  
Apple Pencils for  
iPad Interaction  
\$1,289.00

**Carrie Hopkins &  
Brittney Pursifull**  
Crisis 'Go Bags'  
\$2,198.06

**Kelsey Johnley**  
Growing with Golf  
\$765.90

**Focus on Fitness**  
\$1,911.32

**Melinda Kloepper**  
Literacy Centers -  
Reading is a Grand  
Adventure  
\$2,500.00

**Melinda Land**  
CPE Sensory  
\$2,500.00

**Valerie Levy**  
Playbrary: Enriching  
Childhood  
Development  
\$2,493.15



**Kayla Lewis**  
Flexible Seating  
\$2,312.07

**Joyelle Madry, Kena  
Schroeder, and  
Hailey Miller**  
1st Grade Wobble  
Seats  
\$647.94

**1st Grade Apple  
Pencils**  
\$2,492.00

**McKenzie Moore**  
Apple Pencils for  
iPad Interaction  
\$1,289.00



## 2023-24 Grant Awards

**Jennifer Orton and Wendy White**  
Empowering Students with 3D Printing  
\$1,991.46

**PLTW**  
Automation and Robotics Club  
\$2,498.79

**Automation and Robotics Club**  
\$2,471.21

**Katelin Rupeika and Jessica Julian**  
Community Based Instruction Trips  
\$2,406.00

**Julie Schlote, Nancy Hamilton, Heidi Edwards, and Sarah Boston**  
Transition Community Trips  
\$1,991.05

**Food for Independence**  
\$1,120.00

**Sharon Schlup**  
Non Fiction Update  
\$2,359.85

**Supporting ELL Students**  
\$2,459.51

**Rachel Stear**  
Phonics & Word Work Resources  
\$2,485.79

**Andrew Steinbeck**  
Elementary Music Classroom Storage Podium  
\$1,303.80

**Lara Stephens and Jennifer Williams**  
Granting Vision to Robotics through Sensor Innovation  
\$2,190.87

**Designing the Future with 3D Printing**  
\$2,494.25

**Andrea Tarro**  
Engaging Today's Culinary Professional  
\$2,276.26

**Elizabeth Utterback**  
Spark a Love of Reading  
\$2,480.29

**Ashley Weber**  
Biology Enrichment Labs  
\$2,438.64



**Rebecca Williams**  
Large Print is a Love Story - Baby just say yes  
\$2,446.17

**Scott Windler**  
Plyometric Jump Boxes  
\$1,706.87

**Wendy White**  
Engaging Reluctant Readers through Nonfiction  
\$1,084.84

**Jennifer Williams and Lara Stephens**  
Granting Vision to Robotics through Sensor Innovation  
\$2,289.78

**Robot Arena**  
\$1,675.39

**Designing the Future with 3D Printing**  
\$2,389.25





## 2023 Grants Provide Enriching Experiences for TBHS Students

Ms. O'Hara received a 2023 grant to start a FIRST Robotics program at Troy Buchanan High School. The grant allowed them to purchase electronics for their first robot. The robotics team spent the entire summer 3D modeling, manufacturing, building, and programming their robot from scratch. They competed in two pre-season competitions where they made it to the finals in one and playoffs in the other!



Ms. Adam received a 2023 grant for books and dramatic play items for the Trojan Tots Preschool. When asked about this Grant, she stated "The 2023-2024 school year was the first year of our newly developed Education Pathway Courses. In the first course of this pathway, Introduction to Education, TBHS students had the opportunity to research lesson planning strategies, classroom management, and professional skills to work towards becoming a teacher." Through this program, students planned lessons and activities for preschool aged children. This allowed them to gain a realistic experience of what life might be like as a teacher.

Ms. Adam further stated "It is my goal to give our students authentic and enriching experiences that will help prepare them for their future career. We hope these students gain a positive experience from this program and one-day return to the Lincoln County R3 School District to teach." This program encourages communication, collaboration, critical thinking and problem solving skills to help TBHS students be successful in all aspects of life, no matter what path they choose to take.



Follow us on social media for additional grant updates.



## Scholarships, Fundraisers & Community Events

### 2024 TBHS Student Scholarships

#### **Kiesey Overcomer Scholarship**

\$1,000.00 Renewable Scholarship

Awarded to Bella Skibinski.

*Thank you to the Kiesey Family  
for funding this scholarship.*

#### **John E. Schofield Band Scholarship**

\$1,000.00 Renewable Scholarship

Awarded to Natalie Glen.

*Thank you to the Johnson Family  
for funding this scholarship.*

### Annual Trivia Night Fundraiser

Our Annual Trivia Night was held on Friday, April 19. It was an exciting night of fun and philanthropy. Nearly **\$13,000** was raised to help fund grants for LCR3 educators!!! Thank you to our donors, volunteers & supporters. We couldn't have done it without you! Join us for our next Annual Trivia Night coming Spring 2025!



### Photos with Santa & Vendor Fair

On Sat., Nov. 25, 2023, families lined up at Main Street Elementary to have their picture taken with Santa and shop with local vendors. LCR3EF enjoys providing this opportunity to the community free of charge. All donations and vendor fees collected at this event were used to help fund this year's grant program.

Follow us on Facebook for upcoming events.





## 2023-24 Sponsors & Donors

### Gifts of \$10,000+

Guild Mortgage Company LLC  
Larry & Judy Hart  
Major Savers  
Toyota Motor Manufacturing  
Missouri

### Gifts of \$5,000 - \$9,999

Wagner Photography

### Gifts of \$2,000 - \$4,999

Ameren Corporate  
Philanthropy  
Chartwells  
Enterprise Holdings  
Foundation  
John Lawrence  
Walmart

### Gifts of \$1,000 - \$1,999

Bank of Old Monroe  
CMS Homes  
Community Opportunities  
Community State Bank  
Patrick Flannigan  
LanDesign LLC  
Mark & Cassandra Penny  
Peoples Bank & Trust  
Troy Furniture Company

### Gifts of \$500 - \$999

Eric & Molly Blankenship  
Deborah Brandy  
Chihuahua's Mexican  
Restaurant  
Cuivre River Electric  
Cooperative  
Pat & Julie Flynn  
Jim Trenary Ford, Inc.  
K Flynn Insurance  
Kroger Community Rewards  
Mennemeyer Orthodontics  
Mercy Hospital Lincoln  
Meyer Title Company  
Ron Mills  
Barbara Owenby  
Reed-Koppel Collective  
Stacia Schwarz

### Gifts of \$250 - \$499

Black & Associates  
Amanda Champion  
Kevin & Megan Crawmer  
Todd & Emily Culbertson  
Hardy Hill LLC  
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MJF Services, LLC  
Myers Select Homes of  
Lincoln County  
Peoples Savings Bank

Quest Carpentry LLC  
Nicole Rothermich  
Sarah Schmanke

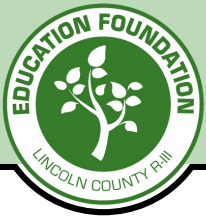
### Gifts of \$100 - \$249

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Ruby Basso  
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Matt & Nichole Bryant  
Bryan & Rebecca Chrismer  
Kyle & Natalie Cook  
Sara Creech  
Cut the Craft  
Amy Davidson  
Kathy Davis  
Donald Thompson Agency, Inc  
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Allen & Melinda Land  
Debbie Lindemann  
Sherilyn Loftsgard

Rodney Martin  
Matthew McCrory  
Delia McGaskey  
Carol Mudd  
Carol Queathem  
Richard Moffat Inc  
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Linda Schulze  
Amber Shafer  
Vicki Shaw  
Silex Banking Company  
Al Slusser  
St. Charles County Fair, Inc.  
Robert Stanek  
Carolyn Thompson  
Jeanne Thornhill  
Tri County Title  
Kenneth & Megan Wilke

### Gifts up to \$99

E T Allen  
Nancy Allen  
Betty Angel  
Debra Bailey  
BC Koffee  
Luana Birt  
Blackstock Farms LLC  
Lisa Briggs  
Linda Briner  
Kelly Briscoe



# 2023-24 Sponsors & Donors

## Gifts of up to \$99

Karen Bueneman  
Denise Clemens  
Vivian Cody  
Alison Coffey  
Annie Colbert  
Betty Cox  
Tara Cox  
Janice Cragen  
Crossroads Coffee Camper  
Mary Ann Dames  
Heather Dildine  
Amy Dunard  
Kim Easley  
Peggy Ebbesmeyer  
Jennifer Eigenseher  
Meghan Enloe  
Evening Club of Hawk Point

Randy & Nancy Fennewald  
Alicia Fessenden  
Jerry Fox  
Sharon Fredrick  
Janet Freymuth  
Jeanie Harrell  
Richard Henke  
Scott & Lisa Hoffmann  
Kimberly Holder  
Linda Hunn  
Jill Jacob  
Elaine Jaspering  
Mary Ruth Jaspering  
Charla Jones  
Samantha Juergensmeyer  
Michael Kaimann  
Mary Ann Kemper  
Gloria Kirchner  
Doug & Amanda Knaust

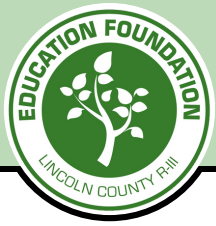
James Kuda  
Betty Leek  
Maureen Lenk  
Michelle Lenz  
Marcia Luck  
Cindy Malone  
Allison Marie Meinert  
Virginia Mennemeyer  
Carmen Mix  
Doug Momphard  
Cody Morris  
Terri Morrison  
Ashley Mudd  
L.C. Mudd  
Michael Mudd  
Sharon Mudd  
Katie Muth  
Jessica Myers  
Colin Nelson  
Dolores Owenby  
Barbara Peasel

Shelly Perkins  
Katelyn Pezold  
Becky Queathem  
Sara Raney  
Kelly Reiter  
Courtney Rhodes  
Michael Robinson  
Monica Roettger  
Breanna Rombach-Gutermuth  
Chris & Sherry Ryan  
Audrey Schafer  
Joshua Schneider  
Linda Seeger  
Melissa Skibinski  
Anna Slocum  
Olan Stemme  
Lynn Sullivan  
Sweet Butterfly Boutique

The Elizabeth Marie Schlueter Rev. Trust  
The Jackie & Janet Haley Revocable Trust  
Tracy Thomas  
Donald & Mary Lou Thompson  
Chrissy Troutman  
Charlene Twellman  
Janice Twellman  
Mary Voss  
Brittany Weber  
Cynthia Westhoff  
Johnathan R White  
Wendy White  
Mike & Carol Willard  
Debbie Wiss  
Joe & Sandy Witte  
Kaleana Wright

## 2023-24 Business Sponsors





# Financial Statement

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024

## REVENUES

Support and Revenue	
Unrestricted Annual Giving	\$ 100,642.64
Fundraising (Net of Related Costs)	\$ 12,443.81
Interest Income	\$ 9,837.85
Restricted Annual Giving	\$ 12,386.00
<b>Total Support and Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 135,310.30</b>

## EXPENSES

Programs and Services	
Grants and Programs	\$ (62,239.29)
Restricted Programs	\$ (17,320.07)
<b>Total Programs</b>	<b>\$ (79,559.36)</b>
Support Services	
Office and General	\$ (9,825.67)
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ (89,385.03)</b>

## NET ASSETS

LCR3EF Unrestricted Funds	\$ 289,635.17
LCR3EF Restricted Funds	\$ 27,486.32
<b>Net Assets Fiscal Year End 6/30/2024</b>	<b>\$ 317,121.49</b>
<b>Net Assets Fiscal Year End 6/30/2023</b>	<b>\$ 271,196.22</b>
<b>Net Increase/(Decrease) in Assets</b>	<b>\$ 45,925.27</b>





# Board Members 2024-2025

LCR3EF Board Members are local volunteers who donate their time and talents to help support the R3 School District.



**Nikki Ford**  
President



**Stacy Ligon**  
Vice President



**Vickie Misuraco**  
Secretary



**Lisa Briggs**  
Treasurer



**Tyler Akins**



**Heather Creech**



**Tammy Keesey**



**Aaron Martin**



**Sierra Reed**



**Mark Roettger**



**Abigail Thompson**

# Committee Members

## GRANT COMMITTEE

**Latosha Bobo • Cinda Bonds • Lisa Briggs  
Heather Creech • Nikki Ford • Angela Gray  
Stacy Ligon • Tammy Keesey • Mark Roettger  
Patty Schroer**

## EVENTS COMMITTEE

**Latosha Bobo • Jammi Chesser • Heather Creech  
Donna Danielson • Brenley Deters • Nikki Ford  
Tammy Keesey • Vickie Misuraco • Sierra Reed  
Cathy Whitworth**

