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## 25 Years of Supporting Classroom Innovation!

42 Grants

\$82,121 Awarded

\$ 715,645 Total Investment



The essential skills of collaboration, communication, critical thinking, and creativity that all 21st century learners must have are only instilled through innovative teaching. Engaging all students in stimulating and challenging lessons is imperative to foster their success. Lynchburg City Schools Education Foundation Classroom Innovation Grants support a culture of innovation and provide teachers the opportunity to request grant funding from \$500 - \$2,000, with a few Master Grants up to \$5,000, to target directly the needs and opportunities they identify for their students. All grants are funded by tax-deductible donations from businesses, foundations, and individuals. Thank you to all of our donors for making this program a wonderful success! Classroom Innovation Grants can only happen with your support, so if you are not already a contributor, please join our strong team of sponsors by contacting our director today!

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## Message from the President

Sally C. Selden

On behalf of the entire Education Foundation

Board, I would like to thank all of our friends and supporters, as well as the teachers, administrators, and staff of the Lynchburg City Schools, for helping make last year a resounding success for the Foundation and for LCS. We are sorry to see Dr. Brabrand and his family leave, but thank him for his tremendous leadership during his tenure in Lynchburg and wish him the very best in his new position. Dr. Brabrand worked with the Education Foundation to build relationships with Lynchburg's business community and we look forward to continuing that effort as new leadership is appointed.

The Education Foundation celebrated our 25<sup>th</sup> year of Classroom Innovation Grants by providing a record high level of support for grant funding to teachers, distributing over \$82,000 to fund 42 grants across the school division. These grants covered a wide range of needs and topics from elementary school students exploring math, music, and science through the creation of cookie tin banjos, to the purchase of wireless devices to allow teaching to evolve beyond the traditional classroom model to better embrace the opportunities presented by the new technology in our schools, to name just a few.

I am proud to live in a community where people and businesses are so giving of their time and willing to make financial contributions. The level of support the Foundation received this past year demonstrates how committed we are to providing an outstanding education for all of our children, and the board and I offer our sincere thanks for your ongoing gifts to the Education Foundation and LCS. They make a difference in the lives of our children.

**Your support of the Foundation is more important now than ever** in helping to sustain and evolve experiences that make an education from LCS extraordinary. I encourage everyone to make a generous contribution to the Foundation so that this generation of students may enjoy the quality of education that those before them experienced.



# Breakfast with the Superintendent

## Engaging our Community

11th Annual

56 Sponsors

418 Attendees



The Lynchburg City

Schools Education Foundation hosted our 11th annual **Breakfast with the Superintendent** on Thursday, March 16, 2017 at Lynchburg College.

This year's program was entitled, "The LCS Classroom of 2017" and once again attracted an amazing crowd of over 400 attendees! Dr. Scott S. Brabrand shared introductory remarks showcasing how this past year has been a year of champions for the Lynchburg City Schools.

Our students won state titles in sports and the arts, LCS successfully opened the Empowerment Academy and the new Heritage High School, and we achieved system wide educational growth with higher rates of academic improvement than in comparable districts. Dr. Brabrand's remarks were followed by keynote speaker Dr. Jay McClain, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning and Success. Dr. McClain's presentation provided a comprehensive and entertaining overview of teaching through the years, how pedagogy has evolved over time, and how LCS is implementing best practices in education as our focus shifts from a culture of memorizing to a system that develops innovative and collaborative thinkers and learners. Proceeds from the breakfast are used by the Foundation to fund our ongoing programs and projects.



Dr. Jay McClain presents the keynote address on 'The LCS Classroom of 2017'

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# 13th Annual Senior Honors Recognition



The top fifteen academic (GPA) graduates from both E.C. Glass and Heritage High Schools were honored for their scholastic accomplishments at a special recognition dinner hosted by the LCS Education Foundation and held at Randolph College on May 1, 2017.

**E. C. Glass High School:** Tom Baker, Danny Bass, Lauren Brown, Rachel Cate, Carter Cundiff, Emily Griffin, Mary Katherine Guthrie, Katherine Morse, Madeline Phillips, Melissa Poletti, Nuha Reza, Emily Salmon, Elisabeth Stephens, Lizzie Tugman, Peter Woods

**Heritage High School:** Rabiea Ashraf, Wajiha Ashraf, Kieran Bowyer, Maya Carter, Sung Min Cho, Gabby Coradazzi, Micah Davis, Julia Finley, Grace Kerelejza, Turner Lee, Indya Page, Wes Smallshaw, Samantha Sullivan, Jasmine Wheaton, Paisley Williams

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Victoria Bartholomew, realtor and community volunteer (above), provided keynote remarks to help prepare graduates as they head off to college



Each student was presented with a certificate of achievement and shared a smile with the chairman of the school board, Dr. Michael Nilles



## Helping ROTC Expand its Reach

On November 11, 2016, a historic marker was installed in front of E.C. Glass High School to honor the remarkable biography of Lucille Chaffin Kent. As a much beloved teacher, piano instructor, and flight trainer, Ms. Kent left a lasting legacy. Many donations were received to honor Ms. Kent and recognize her contributions to our community. As an additional tribute, proceeds exceeding the costs of the historic marker were proudly awarded to the Air Force JROTC at E.C. Glass High School to purchase equipment to support their new competitive Raiders Team as well as for filming other JROTC activities to advance recruitment efforts.

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**Excellence In Science** awarded \$25,000 to one student receiving an advanced studies high school diploma, possesses a GPA of 3.8 or higher, and is planning to enter a science-related field: Joseph Henderson (E.C. Glass)

**The Greater Lynchburg Community Trust** awarded two \$500 scholarships to students recognizing scholastic achievement and community service: Johanna Jin Heller (E.C. Glass), Sierra Wood (E.C. Glass)

**James Howard Scholarship** awarded one \$500 scholarship to a Heritage High School college bound football player as selected by his coach: De'Von Hancock (Heritage)



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## Ted Dintersmith

Ted Dintersmith is a successful venture capitalist who has become one of America's leading advocates for education policies that foster creativity, innovation, motivation, and purpose. He knows what skills are valuable in a world of innovation and how we can transform our schools to better prepare students for their futures. When LCS had the opportunity to bring Ted to Lynchburg, the Education Foundation was honored to sponsor his visit. A community viewing of Ted's documentary, 'Most Likely to Succeed' preceded his time at LCS and was followed by a day of visionary conversations between Ted, Lynchburg business leaders, LCS directors and faculty, and the general community.



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## James K. Candler Opportunity Fund

In March of 2014, the Lynchburg City Schools Education Foundation established a unique scholarship fund to honor the memory of James K. Candler, a long-time LCS School Board member and Education Foundation Trustee. This fund provides financial assistance to students who are capable of academic excellence but whose demonstrated financial need creates a barrier to educational opportunities while still in the public school learning environment. Since its inception, this fund has supported:

- ◆ 3 students' participation in the National History Day competition
- ◆ 3 students' participation in the Junior Theater Festival
- ◆ 2 students' enrollment in an 8 week Vector Space class to learn how cars work as teams designed, built, and raced custom nitro-powered RC cars
- ◆ 1 student's enrollment in a career building summer welding class
- ◆ 1 JROTC student's participation in a D-Day Honors Platoon
- ◆ 19 students' enrollment in the Early College Program to earn their Associates Degrees while still in high school

The needs and opportunities for our students continue to grow. We are proud to be able to make these opportunities possible for LCS students. If you'd like to help support this fund, please consider donating today!





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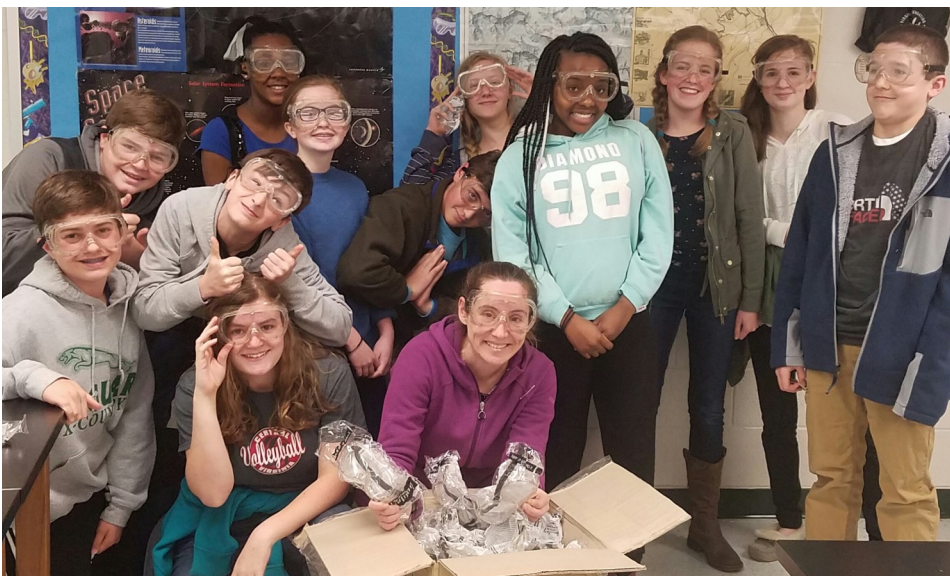
Through the **Tools4Schools** Warehouse, we work to mitigate the out-of-pocket expenses a teacher spends on classroom and student resources and to ensure that ALL students arrive at the bus stop on the first day of school with the supplies they need to be ready to learn! Teachers shop free at our **Tools4Schools** Warehouse for educational materials and classroom rewards and incentives through both onsite and online shopping. Students with verified financial need receive school supplies and backpacks from their school guidance counselors. Thanks to the generous support of grants and financial donations along with the help of school supply drives, extremely dedicated volunteers, and partner organizations, we expanded our outreach over the past year beyond elementary schools to now also include middle and high school students. For the 2017-2018 school year, we provided a total of 1,330 students with school supply kits and 852 with backpacks!

Financial gifts are encouraged and material donations are also welcome. Needed supplies include but are not limited to: **quality 3-ring binders, backpacks, colored pencils, crayons, divider pockets, dry erase markers, earbuds, erasers, glue, graphing calculators, highlighters, index cards, markers, pencils, pencil cases, ruled notebook paper, scissors, spiral notebooks, tape, and two pocket folders.** Please contact our director at 515-5081 or [gillettejk@lcsedu.net](mailto:gillettejk@lcsedu.net) if you can help!



Thank you to our sponsors!

## We asked—You Delivered!



With additional science labs—thanks to our new high school and greater emphasis on hands on learning—there was a need for more safety glasses and goggles for physics, biology, chemistry, and earth science courses. Thank you to **LSC Communications** and **BWX Technologies** for being a friend to the Education Foundation and our schools by fulfilling our request and to all of the other companies who also stepped up to offer assistance!

## Supporting the Education Foundation Advances the Lynchburg City Schools

but we can't do it without your support! You can help our programs through tax deductible gifts:

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- ◆ **AMAZON SMILE**  
select The Lynchburg City Schools Education Foundation as your charity at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) to support our programs while you shop!
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