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# Thank-you

The Mendon Schools Foundation would like to express their sincere appreciation to the following staff members for their continuous support of the Foundation.

- Sandy Hiatt
- Lisa VanZoest
- Jan Griffith
- Leigh Ann Hagenbuch
- Sue McClish
- Nicci Plummer

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# Success



Thanks to our generous donors, the Request List Fundraiser, hosted by the Mendon Schools Foundation, reached it's goal! The teachers were notified on January 8<sup>th</sup> that ALL of their funding requests will be granted.

The Request List Fundraiser is used to fund the Teacher Requests and the Student Requests, grant funding programs.



## Secret Santa visited Mendon Elementary School

Families with students at Mendon Elementary, who had fallen behind in paying for their child's lunches, received welcome news just before Christmas. A Secret Santa decided to pay off all of the unpaid Mendon Elementary School lunch accounts through December 31, 2018.



# 2018 Request List Donors

	Donor	Honoree
★	Affinity Custom Molding	
	American Metal Fab	
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	Kathryn Russell	Mark Russell
★	Brenda Samson	Doug Samson
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★	TH Plastics	
	TM Asphalt Sealing	
	Waste Management	
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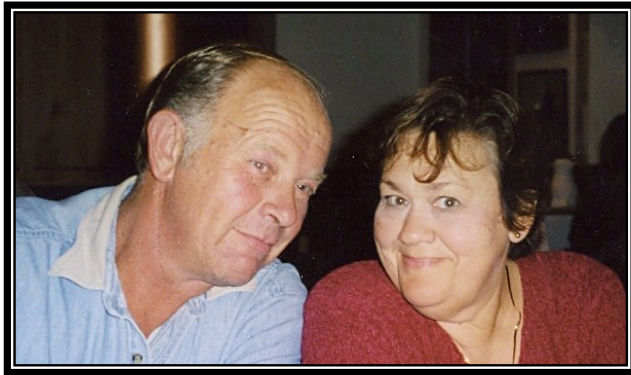
★ Donor for at least the last 5 years.

## Mendon Schools Foundation administers 5 grant funding programs.

In addition to 1. Teacher Requests and 2. Student Requests, the Foundation administers the following programs: 3. Fryling Family Requests for At Risk Kids, 4. Special Requests and 5. STEM Requests.



### 3. Fryling Family Requests for At Risk Kids



Dan & Boo Fryling

In 2016, to honor Dan & Boo Fryling, their family established the Fryling Family Requests for At Risk Kids; to help students who have difficulty learning.

In 2018, two Fryling Requests were submitted and both were funded.

#	Teacher	Grade	Description	Donors
F1	Kate Wall	K-5	Contribution towards training in trauma-informed strategies. CTAG, Children's Trauma Assessment Group, will educate us on the effects trauma has on the brain/body and strategies to support our students.	Sandy & Tom Hiatt Leisure Time Properties
F2	Barb Hornacek	K-5 Special Education	iPad with WiFi - 128 gb and defender series case. The iPad has been most beneficial for my autistic students, helping with phonemic awareness, phonics, sight words and numbers.	



### 4. Special Requests

Starting in 2012, the Foundation initiated the Special Requests Program. These requests are funded by the Foundation. In 2018, 11 requests were submitted; 7 granted full funding, 3 partial funding and 1 not funded.



SP1 Sandy Hiatt K-5  
AED, Automated External Defibrillator, for placement outside the Elementary Gym. SCA, sudden cardiac arrest, can occur with children as well as adults. It will be available for other events such as Showboat, plays, and church services.



SP4 Lisa VanZoest K-5  
Purchase 4 new basketball poles, backboards and nets for the Elementary Playground. Basketball equipment will promote physical activity, as well as learning to work together as a team.

# 5. STEM Requests

The Foundation was able to start the STEM Requests Program in 2018 thanks to a generous donation from the Carroll J. Haas Foundation. The first activity of this program was to host a Middle School Robotics Club. In 2018, two teams participated with the FIRST Robotics Program. FIRST, For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology, is universally recognized as the leading, not-for-profit STEM engagement program for kids worldwide.



**Metal Crushers**  
Coach: Theresa Hawkins



**Robo Rebels**  
Coach: John Cosby

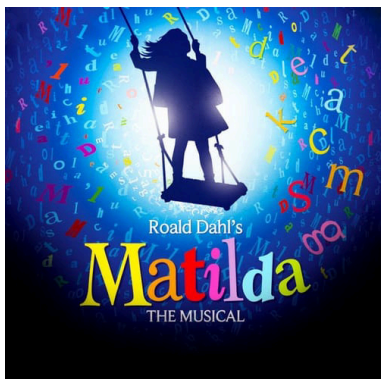
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## Foundation Scholarships

2019 Scholarships will be announced at the annual High School Awards Assembly on May 24th.  
2018 Foundation Scholarships recipients:

Jan K. Hollenbeck Teachers Scholarship	Micaela Steinberger Nikolas Andaverde Makenzie Oatley	Wyatt Cupp Dominique Feister Sabrina Griffith
John F. Outman Memorial Scholarship	Kaden Frye	
Jones Family Memorial Scholarship	Lauren Oke	
Doug Samson Memorial Scholarship	Dominique Feister	
Robert Millard Memorial Scholarship	Arjun Vorster	
Heritage School College Scholarship	Connor Henckel Sydney Griffith	Emily Vendal Wyatt Cool
Michael J. Vrobel Memorial Scholarship	Hunter E. Lovell	
EverGreene Memorial Scholarship	Arjun Vorster	



## Mendon Drama Club

2019 Spring Production will be 'Matilda the Musical'

March 22 and 23 - 7:00 pm

March 24 - 2:00 pm

Mendon Elementary Gym

# 2018 Teacher Requests

All Requests were funded.

Req. #	Teacher(s)	Grade Level	Description	Donors
T1	Brittany Schroer	Kindergarten	Items to enhance starting the Daily 5 Curriculum, so that students can become independent learners. Items include sturdy book boxes, materials to make words , lap desks and personal CD players.	American Metal Fab
T2	Amy Hiss	Kindergarten	Flexible classroom seating, including scoop rockers and wobble stools; classroom easel and Daily 5 Curriculum materials.	American Metal Fab TM Asphalt Sealing
T3	Kathryn Spence	1st Grade	Subscription to online reading program Headsprout, purchase the Writing A-Z Program and Spelling City Program.	Kelly Emmerich EverGreene Foundation
T4	Amy Heeres	1st Grade	Subscription to online reading program Headsprout and purchase the online Writing A-Z Program.	Phil & Maureen Cupp Roger & Anne Gentz
T5	Kari Trenary	3rd Grade	Field trip to Historic Charlton Park, which is a village, museum and recreation area that educates children on life in Michigan at the turn of the century. Students will learn about how local governments run, make candles, make soup, churn butter and attend a one-room schoolhouse.	James H. Haas
T6	Sharon Irons	4th Grade	Discover America classroom rug to provide students a comfortable area in the classroom to read.	Waste Management EverGreene Foundation
T7	Kathleen Reiff	4th Grade	Multiply & Divide classroom rug to provide students a comfortable area in the classroom to read.	Monsanto Company
T8	Sharon Irons	4th Grade	Subscription to Brain Pop, a website geared to help students learn standards based curriculum. Website has standards aligned movies, quizzes, games, readings and activities .	Bonnie Heflin
T9	Kathleen Reiff	4th Grade	Subscription to Brain Pop, a website geared to help students learn standards based curriculum in Science, Social-Studies, English and Math.	Mendon Auto Supply
T10	Brandi Klinger	5th Grade	Mobile Stand up desk for the teacher, round table, chairs, side tables and two ottomans. The portable desk will allow the teacher to move around the classroom while still utilizing technology.	Phyllis Cupp Mendon Fire Dept.



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T11	Anne Boers	K-5 Art	Full size iPad, case and applications. It is important for students to learn how to create digitally, using 21st century technology.	TH Plastics Mendon Auto Supply
T12	Kaitlin Keck	K-5 Music	Collection of various general music materials to allow a variety of instructional techniques. Materials include rhythm sticks, shakers and listening station equipment. Students will have a wide variety of learning opportunities to experience music.	Frederick Construction
T13	Brandon Wenzel	K-5 Computers	Admission fees and substitute costs for the MiGoogle Conference at Freeland High School in November. I will be able to bring back ideas, strategies and educational programs/apps that all teachers can use to help students better utilize technology in their classroom.	Laura & Geren Mroczek
T14	Brandon Wenzel	K-5 P.E.	New track and field supplies to provide new games, ideas and events; to help the students learn to be physically active and have fun.	Buck Hickman
T15	Audrey Borkholder	6th Grade Clue-Me-In	T-shirts for our 6th grade Clue-Me-In Competition Team. This competition focuses on the development of skills in the area of reading comprehension and recall.	Bonnie Heflin
T16	Theresa Hawkins Billy Rivard	6th Grade	Field trip to Celebration Cinema in Portage to watch two 45 minute 3D Educational movies about Nature and Space, to inform and excite the students about science.	Shane & Dawn Griffith James H. Haas
T17	Theresa Hawkins	7th Grade	Field trip to the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago. This museum is unusual and is full of science exhibits.	Greg & Amy Cupp James H. Haas
T18	Theresa Hawkins	MS Science Olympiad	Registration fee, supplies and t-shirts for the Middle School Science Olympiad, which is a rigorous and standards based science competition.	Monsanto Company
T19	Theresa Hawkins	HS Science Olympiad	Registration fee, supplies and t-shirts for the High School Science Olympiad, which is a rigorous and standards based science competition.	Kathryn Russell Frederick Construction
T20	Robert Kretschman	MS Rewards Program	Rewards program to promote academics and positive behavior in the Middle School. Students who earn 70% or better in each class and receive no major discipline referrals will be eligible to participate.	Griffith Electric EverGreene Foundation Nottawa Gas Company Thomas Outman Bonnie Outman

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T21	Robert Kretschman	HS Rewards Program	Due to the success of the Rewards program in the Middle School, the Positive School Climate Team has been extending the program to the High School. One of the reward experiences will be at the High School and one will be a trip off campus.	Affinity Custom Molding
T22	John Cosby	HS Spanish	Field Trip to the Detroit Institute of Arts, to participate in a guided tour called "Shaping Identity: Art of the Spanish-Speaking World. Students will study the role of art in shaping community and recognize the contributions that Spanish speakers have made to World culture.	Jacki Fryling Stevens James H. Haas
T23	Lisa Vedmore Leasa Griffith	Trig & Calculus	Field trip to Math Day at Comerica Park in Detroit. This presentation demonstrates the math and physics of baseball.	Shane & Dawn Griffith Hohner Funeral Home James H. Haas
T24	Sandy Hiatt	School District	Replacement of AED, automated external defibrillator, parts such as batteries, padz and electrodes. To keep all AED's within District in working order.	Armstrong International Roger Cupp Frederick Construction
T25	Lisa Vedmore Leasa Griffith Susie Shimer Jan Griffith Leigh A. Hagenbuch	MS/HS	Supplies to revive the Spirit/Pep Club, to put on pep assemblies, develop a "Hornets Nest" student cheering section and to encourage greater participation in school events. Supplies include prizes, paper, paint and other art supplies.	Shane & Dawn Griffith TH Plastics
T26	Vic Wilczynski	MS/HS P.E.	Bigger Faster Stronger all sport DVD pack, and Beat the Computer software program which details personalized, sport specific workouts for each individual.	KSS Enterprises Mendon Fire Dept. Wise Motors
T27	Lincoln Klinger	MS/HS Art	Conduct a student t-shirt design contest. Students will be able to learn Graphic Design principles using technology. The students will enhance their artistic/design talents, while promoting themselves and our school.	Shane & Dawn Griffith Brenda Samson Parkville Prairie Farms
T28	Audrey Borkholder	MS/HS Quiz Bowl	T-shirts for both the Middle School and High School Quiz Bowl teams, to identify who we are and build team morale. Quiz Bowl covers information in the areas of current events, language arts, social studies, math and science.	Reid Heitkamp Hohner Funeral Home

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T29	Kaitlin Keck	MS/HS Band	New percussion equipment; mallets, sticks, bells, triangle, cymbals; and a set of Rubank Intermediate Method Books. This will allow students to develop a better sensitivity to sound quality and to make informed musical decisions.	Ridgeway Floral Sharon & Jack Irons TM Asphalt Sealing Blue Box Moving
T30	Gayle Walbeck	MS/HS Life Management	Realistic models of a developing fetus in utero, a set of child development posters and a trivia game about baby basics. The Life Management Department is lacking updated materials for the Parenting class. These materials will enhance our student's understanding of parenting, its challenges and rewards.	James H. Haas
T31	Carolyn Link	MS/HS Library	Expand our Audio CD collection of books-on-tape, of our most popular books. Many students are auditory learners, rather than visual learners.	Mendon Women's Club

# 2018 Student Requests All Requests were funded.

Req. #	Students	Grade Level	Description	Donors
S1	Makennah Mullin Ashley Rodrigues Blake Stuart	7 7 7	We would like to purchase the following P.E. Equipment to replace broken equipment and purchase new games; bases, bowling pins, rhino skin balls and Spike 3 Ball Kits. Faculty Advisor: Vic Wilczynski	Affinity Custom Molding Parkville Prairie Farms
S2	Charlie Newburry Taylor Heitkamp Chloe Behrends Dahntae Bailey	10 11 9 10	Have available for purchase drinks and snacks during AC. Since we have a 10:30 lunch, most kids are hungry by then and have to go to sports practice and be hungry. Faculty Advisor: Bill Kuiper & Lisa Vedmore	Shane & Dawn Griffith Reid Heitkamp
S3	Alexis Peterson Colin Steinberger Crystal Acre Aleeyah Wood Rosalie Wittendorf Madison Hessling	10 10 12 10 10 10	Purchase the following to replace old equipment and add new capabilities for the percussion section: Marimba mallets, xylophone mallet, crash cymbals, suspended cymbals and snare sticks. Faculty Advisor: Kaitlin Keck	Ronningen Research Phil & Maureen Cupp
S4	Rosalie Wittendorf Bridget Farmer Alexis Peterson Alexis Zinsmaster Beryl Gage Alyssa Kloosterman	10 10 10 10 9 12	We would like to start a Journalism Club to publish a school newsletter to highlight school events and extracurricular activities. We need the following camera bundle: Canon EOS Rebel T6 DSLR Camera Bundle.	Mendon Kiwanis