



The Mendon Schools Foundation, an all volunteer organization, was established in 1985 to help the students, teachers and staff of Mendon Schools.

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Mission Accomplished!



Thanks to our generous donors, the Request List Fundraiser, hosted by the Mendon Schools Foundation, reached it's goal of funding all the Requests!

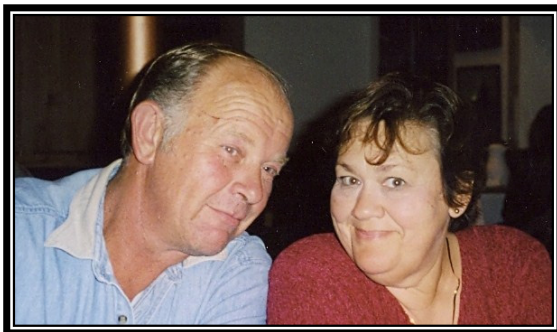
This fundraiser is used to fund the Teacher Requests and the Student Requests grant funding programs.

The Mendon Schools Foundation can be reached by eMail at Foundation@MendonSchools.org or by phone through the High School at 269-496-8491.

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.

2019 Donors

Tom & Sandy Hiatt
Leisure Time Properties

#	Teacher	Grade	Description
F1	Barb Hornacek	K-5	Stability seat cushions for classroom chairs. The cushions help hyperactive students stay focused and seated for longer periods of time.
F2	Kayla Creager	MS Special Ed	High interest, low reading level books for AR reading and fidget items which will benefit students who have a hard time focusing and sitting still.

2019 Request List Donors

	Donor	Honoree
★	Affinity Custom Molding	
	American Metal Fab	
	Armstrong	
	Peter & Carrie Baum	
	CAR Club	
	Carpenter Farm	
	Clark Well Drilling	
	Mary Crites	Brayden & Kyler Crites
	Greg & Amy Cupp	
	Maurice Cupp Memorials	Maurice Cupp
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	Teresa Kuhlman Cytlak	
	Bob & Sandy Duke	
	Kelly Emmerich	Mitchell Family Alumni
★	EverGreene Foundation	Blaine & Joyce Rabbers
	Roger & Anne Gentz	Helen Lang
	Michaelene Glowacz	
★	Shane & Dawn Griffith	
	Griffith Electric	
★	Bonnie Heflin-Moyer	Bill Heflin
	Dawn & Keith Heitkamp	Brooke & Reid Heitkamp
	Carol Higgins	
	Hohner Funeral Home	
	Johnny's Market/Subway	
	Kiwanis Club of Mendon	
★	KSS Enterprises	
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	Manchester Industries	
	Dave McNeill	
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★	Mendon Fire Dept.	
	Mendon Riverfest	
★	Mendon Womens Club	
★	Bonnie Outman	John Outman
★	Parkville Prairie Farms	
	Alice Pew	
	RAI Jets	Ronnie & Donnie Riley
	Ronningen Research	
	Ron & Peggy Sanford	Maurice Cupp
★	TH Plastics	
	TM Asphalt Sealing	
	Walther Farms	
	Waste Management SW	

★ Donor for at least the last 5 years.

4. Special Requests

The Special Requests Program was started in 2012, and is funded by the Mendon Schools Foundation. In 2019, 11 requests were submitted; 9 granted full funding, 1 partial funding and 1 not funded.

SP4	Theresa Jennett	MS Science	35 24" black heavy-duty steel stools with backrests. The chairs in my classroom are falling apart and don't work properly. It is a constant hassle in my class, with fighting or changing seats.
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5. STEM Requests

The Foundation started 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 Team. In 2019, the program was expanded to include Elementary Robotics Teams for 4th and 5th graders.

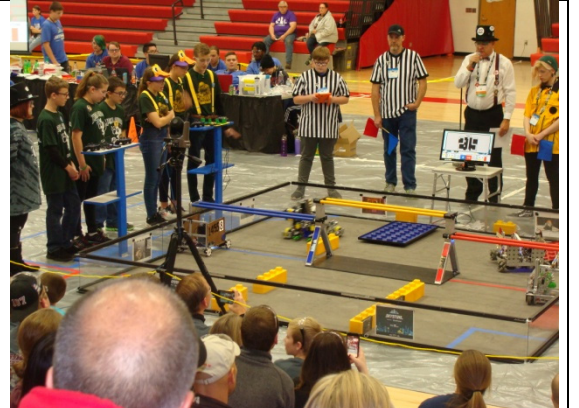
2019 Donors

Carroll J. Haas Foundation
EverGreene Foundation

4th & 5th grade
Robotics Teams,
coached by:
Barb Hornacek
Anne Boers
Bonnie Outman



Middle School
Robotics Team,
coached by:
John Cosby
Theresa Jennett



Foundation Scholarships

2020 Scholarships will be announced at the annual High School Awards Assembly on May 22nd.
 2019 Foundation Scholarships recipients:

Jan K. Hollenbeck Teachers Scholarship	Brooke VanZoest Aubrey Crotser	Cole Dennis Decker Alexander Heckman
John F. Outman Memorial Scholarship	Corbin Weinberg	
Jones Family Memorial Scholarship	Hayley Kramer	
Doug Samson Memorial Scholarship	Cole Dennis Decker	
Robert Millard Memorial Scholarship	Kody Drewer	
Heritage School College Scholarship	Cierra Nightingale Elizabeth Gilbert	Anna Cupp James Logan Hunter
Michael J. Vrobel Memorial Scholarship	Corbin Weinberg	
EverGreene Memorial Scholarship	Emily Goble	



‘Good Will Towards Men’; overflowing at Mendon Schools

This past Holiday Season, Mendon Schools were very active in reaching out to help others.

<p>Elementary Food Drive The non-perishable food drive collected over 1000 items to be donated to the Mendon Food Cupboard. The students earned a movie, cookies and milk, and to wear pajamas on Friday, December 20th.</p>	
<p>Share the Warmth The National Honor Society collaborated with the Salvation Army to host a ‘Share the Warmth’ drive. Coats, hats, scarves, mittens, blankets and socks were collected for distribution to local families.</p>	
<p>Toys for Tots Mendon Middle & High Schools worked with the Saint Joseph County Marine Corps League to organize a collection of toys for local kids.</p>	
<p>Secret Santas Two Secret Santas stepped forward this year to pay off all of the unpaid lunch accounts for the Mendon Elementary, Middle and High Schools through December 31, 2019.</p>	
<p>Food Boxes Again this year, the National Honor Society assembled food boxes for some local families. Crossroads Missionary Church provided personal hygiene products. The NHS submitted two funding requests to the Request List Fundraiser so that they could include even more families.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">    </div>	

2019 Foundation - Teacher Requests

All Requests were funded.

Req. #	Teacher(s)	Grade Level	Description	Donors
T1	Katie Reiff	Kindergarten	20 headphones to use with chromebooks, plus magnetic tiles, Zoobz and Brain Flakes for my students to use to construct during their choice time.	American Metal Fab
T2	Cindy Munn	Kindergarten	20 headphones and 2 Apple iPads with cases. Students will be able to plug into classroom devices to listen to reading, take tests and learn through educational applications.	American Metal Fab
T3	Amy Heeres	1st	Subscription to Scholastic News and Science Spin. With the paper subscription comes access to the issues online, along with videos and other activities. Also requesting membership to online Spelling City.	Dave McNeill Mary Crites
T4	Kathryn Spence	1st / 2nd	Subscriptions to Spelling City to provide enrichment activities for spelling, Scholastic News to provide non-fiction articles that build reading skills and Mystery Science to provide science activities.	Kelly Emmerich Mendon Riverfest
T5	Sharon Irons	2nd	Subscriptions to Spelling City and Mystery Science. Spelling City lets them work independently on spelling and vocabulary. Mystery Science has many resources for me.	Mendon Fire Dept. Peter & Carrie Baum
T6	Kathy Crosthwaite	3rd	Supplies to support a Young Author's project. Guided daily writing practice with explicit lesson plan goals and a capstone project to showcase growth.	Kelly Emmerich Peter & Carrie Baum Alice Pew Waste Management SW
T7	Mark Batten	3rd	Field trip to Wolf Lake Fish Hatchery, will be an extension of our science and social studies lessons.	Phyllis Cupp Clark Well Drilling
T8	Tricia VanOss	5th	Variety of flexible seating options and a subscription to "Generation Genius" which is a science website that will supplement the 4th & 5th grade science curriculum.	Manchester Industries TH Plastics Dawn & Keith Heitkamp
T9	Brandi Klinger	2nd - 5th	Five sets of 20 books. Elementary students attend a 30 minute reading time called WIN, What I Need. The novels will enrich and update the reading materials for higher level students.	Phil & Maureen Cupp Phyllis Cupp
T10	Anne Boers	K - 5 Art	Sewing supplies such as felt, material, fabric scissors, thread, fiberfill, buttons and fabric glue. Ceramic supplies such as kiln fire clay and a slab cutter. Polymer clay in different colors.	Ronningen Research KSS Enterprises

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T11	Brandon Wenzel	K - 5 P.E.	Two new games and prizes for annual Winter Carnival, which allows students to participate in a fun Winter activity with their peers and interact with the High School National Honor Society.	Teresa Kuhlman Cytlak Hohner Funeral Home
T12	Brandon Wenzel	K - 5 Computers	Attend Michigan Association of Computer Users in Learning (MACUL) Conference in Grand Rapids. Participation will allow me to come back and demonstrate to staff different educational technology products.	Mendon Riverfest
T13	Brandon Wenzel	K - 5 Computers	30 VSC Headphones with a microphone to use in the computer lab and throughout the Elementary School.	Parkville Prairie Farms Clark Well Drilling
T14	Kaitlin Keck	K - 5 Music	Variety of books, DVD's and sub plans; which will allow for a variety of supplemental learning opportunities that go along with the Game Plan Music Curriculum.	Affinity Custom Molding
T15	Taylor Griffith	Elementary School	10 two way radios, which allow us to communicate with all areas of the building, especially the playground.	Bonnie Heflin-Moyer
T16	Audrey Borkholder	6th	Field trip to Stone School in Nottawa, in preparation for the novel "Running Out of Time" by Margaret Haddix. This novel starts in frontier time. The Stone School includes a one-room schoolhouse, general store and post office.	RAI Jets
T17	Audrey Borkholder	6th Clue Me In	T-shirts for the Clue Me In competition, which focuses on the development of skills in the area of reading comprehension and recall.	Carol Higgins
T18	Audrey Borkholder	8th	Field trip to the Holocaust Memorial Center in Farmington Hills, Michigan. We read the play "The Diary of Anne Frank", and this would help set the background for the students.	Lois Loeffler
T19	Megan O'Mara	MS Math Meet	Math Meet Competition at Southwestern Michigan College; includes registration fee, t-shirts and transportation. They will compete against many schools around Michigan.	Kiwanis Club of Mendon Ron & Peggy Sanford
T20	Theresa Jennett	MS Science Olympiad	Middle School Science Olympiad competition, includes registration fee, alternate team, supplies and t-shirts. Competition in standards based STEM challenges, which also promotes collaboration and teamwork skills.	RAI Jets Greg & Amy Cupp

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T21	Theresa Jennett	HS Science Olympiad	High School Science Olympiad competition. Students will learn skill sets essential to today's STEM workforce and collaboration & team workskills.	Maurice Cupp Memorials
T22	Audrey Borkholder Leasa Griffith	MS/HS Quiz Bowl	T-shirts for both the Middle School and High School Quiz Bowl teams. Quiz Bowl is designed to encourage students to master information in the areas of current events, language arts, social studies, math and science.	Armstrong
T23	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.	Shane & Dawn Griffith Michaelene Glowacz Roger & Anne Gentz
T24	Robert Kretschman	HS Rewards Program	Rewards program to promote academics and positive behavior in the High School. One of the reward experiences will be at the high school and one will be a trip off campus.	Mendon Riverfest
T25	Leasa Griffith Lisa Vedmore	10 - 12 Trig & Calculus	Field trip for advanced Math students to Comerica Park for STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts & math) Day, formerly known as Math Day. Students will be involved in a presentation on all of the above subjects which directly tie to the Common Core.	Shane & Dawn Griffith Hohner Funeral Home Bob & Sandy Duke Mendon Auto Supply
T26	Ethan Waldron	MS/HS Drama Club	Scripts, building materials for sets, costumes and makeup for Drama Club, to make the performances more visually stunning.	EverGreene Foundation
T27	Carolyn Link	MS/HS Library	Book to enhance and expand the library, focusing on the books that the students have expressed interest in.	Mendon Womens Club
T28	Kaitlin Keck	MS/HS Band	Shelving, peg boards, clarinet reeds, saxophone reeds and Korg Chromatic Tuner. Proper storage is necessary for the upkeep of our instruments.	Greg & Amy Cupp Mendon Fire Dept. Phyllis Cupp
T29	Vic Wilczynski	MS/HS P.E.	Three Rep Basic Barbells and three 25 Lb Titan Fitness Barbells to replace broken equipment and benefit all students using the weight room.	Shane & Dawn Griffith TM Asphalt Sealing Maurice Cupp Memorials
T30	Lincoln Klinger	HS Yearbook	Acer Chromebook and Acer 27 inch monitor with keyboard and mouse. A larger screen will help us edit, proofread and fine tune our yearbook design.	Carpenter Farm TH Plastics

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T31	Lisa Vedmore	National Honor Society	The National Honor Society has provided Thanksgiving meals, along with some extra food items to help out over the long weekend, to several of our school families. This extra money will allow us to provide meals to 5 - 7 more families.	Hohner Funeral Home Griffith Electric Roger Cupp Clark Well Drilling
T32	Lisa Vedmore	National Honor Society	The National Honor Society has provided Christmas meals, along with some extra food items to help out over Winter break, to several of our school families. This extra money will allow us to provide meals to 5 - 7 more families.	Walther Farms
T33	Glen Samson	Athletic Department	SW10 banner for the main gym, 20' x 20' to hang on Northwest corner wall to promote newly formed SW10 League.	Johnny's Market/Subway
T34	Sandy Hiatt	School District	Replacement of AED expired parts through the 2020 calendar year and a carry case & AED cabinet for the unit located outside the MS/HS Library.	EverGreene Foundation CAR Club

2019 Foundation - Student Requests

All Requests were funded.

Req. #	Students	Grade Level	Description	Donors
S1	Lila Schinker Kayla Wenzel Presley Allen Brianna Heitkamp	7 7 7 7	Soil testing and milkweed & native nectar plants to create a monarch waystation. The waystation will be registered with Monarch Watch at the University of Kansas. We will work with Mr. Stephenson to break ground in the Spring of 2020. Faculty Advisors: Beth Jergens & Caleb Stephenson	Shane & Dawn Griffith Waste Management SW
S2	Wyatt Kemp Wyatt Steckebauer Landon VanWormer	7 7 7	New P.E. equipment to replace old and broken equipment; such as soccer balls, Franklin footballs, Rhino Sportsballs and practice pinnies. Faculty Advisor: Vic Wilczynski	Affinity Custom Molding
S3	Klair Patnoude Mackenzie Sanford Shelby Crotser Annaliese Crabe Jessica Sanchez Shelby Harroun	8 8 8 8 8 8	Repair school piccolo in order to provide different performing opportunities for students. Faculty Advisor: Kaitlin Keck	Bonnie Outman Mendon Auto Supply CAR Club