

Fall 2018

## Berlin Brothersvalley School District Foundation

# *Do you know?*



### **Why the Foundation was created?**

The BBSD Foundation was established in 2008. Our purpose is to enhance educational opportunities for our students K-12. Funds are used for educational programs, enrichment activities and scholarships.

The Foundation was created as a way for interested donors to contribute to our school. Funds are NOT used to supplant school district expenditures.

**For more information, go to [www.bbsd.com-community](http://www.bbsd.com-community).**

### **Who we are?**

The Foundation Board of Directors consists of 15 voting members:

*President- Larry Hankinson*

*Vice-President- Jim Darr*

*Secretary- Leanne Calvert*

*Treasurer- Cathy Webreck*

*Jim Black*

*Angie Miller*

*Marilyn Cornell*

*Doug Paul*

*Judy Croner*

*Keith Hay*

*Amanda Custer*

*Rus Ogburn*

*Scott Etris*

*Tom Smith*

*Mandy Lauer*

### **Non-voting members include:**

*Dr. Dave Reeder, School Superintendent*

*Lori Gindlesperger, Business Manager*

*Margie Zorn, Executive Director*

### **How we are funded?**

- Individual contributions
- Corporate donors - EITC
- Donations from local businesses
- Scholarship endowments
- BBSD payroll deductions
- Donations from class reunions
- Memorial gifts
- Appeals to alumni
- Fundraisers - annual dinner and raffle, sporting clay shoot, golf scramble

### **What is meant by EITC funding?**

Most of our corporate donors participate in the EITC (Educational Improvement Tax Credit) program sponsored by the state of Pennsylvania. The program provides incentives to businesses that contribute by providing tax credits in return for approved contributions. At Berlin, this funding is used for teacher-generated programs.

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## What the Foundation Funds

The Foundation provides money for programs generated by our teachers called Teacher Venture Grants. These classroom and after school activities enrich the educational experiences of our students. Scholarships are also awarded each year to students who undergo an application and interview process.

### EITC Teacher Venture Grants

#### Elementary Programs

- Robo Lab
- Engineering is Elementary and Maker Space
- Project Webfoot
- Science Its Elementary
- No Child Left Behind

#### Middle School Programs

- NASA e-Missions Simulation
- Robo Lab

#### High School Programs

- Biology Dissection
- After School Computer Program
- Topography Mapping
- STEM Program
- No Child Left Behind
- Dual Enrollment

**Total: \$42,500**

### **Thanks to our EITC donors!**

*Darr Construction, Inc.*

*Valley Quarries, Inc.*

*PBS Coals, Inc.*

*United Concordia*

*Citizens Neighborhood Bank*

*Riverview Bank*

*BDH/Konhaus Agency*

### Foundation Teacher Venture Grants

#### Elementary Programs

- Kindergarten Video
- Bricks for Kids
- Elementary Summer Library

#### Middle School Programs

- GREAT Program – Outdoor Odyssey experience
- Classroom Economy
- Language Arts Headphones

#### High School Programs

- Auditorium Spotlight
- Wii Fitness and Dance
- Virtual Sheep Dissection
- Cardiovascular Equipment
- Advanced Placement Reimbursement

**Total: \$6554**

### Scholarships for Seniors

Scholarships are awarded to students attending four-year colleges and post-secondary two-year vocational or technical schools. The Foundation administers four endowed scholarships:

- Daniel Sterner Memorial Scholarship
- McKenzie-Raupach Memorial Scholarship
- Stutzman Memorial Scholarship
- Harris Memorial Scholarship.

The Foundation also directly funds several scholarships each year with an emphasis on students attending two-year post secondary programs. **Fifty-five scholarships, totaling \$106,900 have been awarded since 2009.**