

WISCONSIN HEIGHTS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
&
WISCONSIN HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT ENDOWMENT FUND

Two Amazing Support Groups Explained

The Wisconsin Heights School District is fortunate enough to have two philanthropic organizations that are focused on supporting education in our school district. Many community members have supported each group, and the school district would like to extend a heartfelt thank you! We have received feedback regarding these two groups and questions as to what their differences are (or are not). Here is a brief explanation:

The Wisconsin Heights Educational Foundation, Inc

The Wisconsin Heights Educational Foundation, Inc. is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization operating independently of the school district and governed by a volunteer Board of Directors that includes local citizens and community leaders. Annually, the Foundation helps raise funds for scholarships for dozens of Wisconsin Heights graduating seniors. The Foundation also serves as an umbrella organization for other non-profit organizations in the community with like goals, including Wisconsin Heights Players and Connect to Kids.

Moving forward, the primary focus of the Educational Foundation will be their support of student scholarships for graduating seniors or other worthy learning experiences that students may not otherwise be able to fund.

The Wisconsin Heights Endowment Fund

The Wisconsin Heights School District Endowment Fund is a donor-advised fund that has been established with the Madison Community Foundation (MCF). The purpose of is to provide classroom mini-grants outside of the normal operating budget of the school district specifically for the development, implementation, and evaluation of creative and innovative educational practices directly related to the Wisconsin Heights School District learning and outcomes. Annual grant awards will come from the interest amount earned from the actually established fund and will be focused on purchases that will directly impact directly in the classroom for current and future students.

Examples of priorities that may be eligible for funding include, but are not limited to: (a) technology utilization; (b) interdisciplinary instruction; (c) arts integration; (d) community involvement; (e) global and cultural awareness; (f) environmental studies; (g) historical perspectives; (h), etc.... Again, money from the Endowment Fund would be used for classroom mini-grants to support related learning activities that extend the instruction for our students.

More information can be found on the district webpage at this link:

<http://www.wisheights.k12.wi.us/district/contact-us/endowment-fund/> or you can call the district office at 608-767-2595, and we can direct you to key contacts.