



## DISTRICT 5 FOUNDATION



Through the generous support of the District 5 community our Foundation has donated over \$475,000 to educational and humanitarian initiatives during the past five years.

### **Snack Pack Food Program –**

In collaboration with local churches and civic organizations, this program provides food on school-year weekends for students who might otherwise go hungry. During holidays and summer breaks, families in need receive food boxes. More than 700 students in all of our schools receive food through this program.

### **Research and Leadership Student Grants –**

We nurture the curiosity of budding scientists, inventors and problem solvers by funding their innovative projects in the biomedical, clean energy, aerospace, STEM and community leadership programs. Many students have presented their work nationally and in our state, published their work and received patents and awards. Students from all District 5 high schools are involved.

### **Teacher/Staff/School/Community Grants—**

We provide funds for adults who work with our students to create learning opportunities that encourage engagement and academic growth in a variety of innovative ways. They develop educational activities that integrate grade levels, content areas, and include technology. We have funded programs for students with disabilities, gifted and talented students and students at all levels between, and for students from preschool to seniors in high school. Funded projects include:

- Summer registrations for needy students in
  - Beyond the Diamond, Irmo High FCA football camp, Eat to Win athletic camp
- Read to Achieve, Reading Heroes, Reading All Stars
- Senior Art Showcase at Dutch Fork High
- Math Competition Clubs
- Gardening/Composting project for special needs students
- Registration for needy students to attend district Dance Day
- Registration for needy students to attend STAR BASE
- Field trip for needy students in Math Intervention program
- Homeless Night event for all district high school Student Councils
- Books for Beginners

- District Annual High School Musical for 7 years
- Summer movies at Saluda Shoals Park
- Automatic Defibrillators for three schools
- Robotics teams at three schools
- Photography club equipment for two schools
- Family Scholars for high school students who are parents and for their pre-schoolers
- Environmental Stewardship program at Chapin High
- E-Books for Irmo High Library
- AP Environmental Science and Biology field trip
- Project Au-Some's Disability Library
- Coding & Sequencing for 21<sup>st</sup> century students
- Equus Art Expo at Spring Hill High

...and more for math, reading and arts instructional

### **Professional Development and Employee Support**

- Teacher Forum activities and professional development for all District 5 teachers
- Faculty/staff wellness program at Irmo High
- District STEAM conference for all teachers
- Summer Leadership Institute
- Leader in Me training for all staff at HE Corley

- Professional development day for all district Support Employees of the Year
- Reception for Teachers and Support Employees of the Year
- Visits to Ron Clark School Leadership program
- Annual luncheon for all district retirees