



# FOUNDATION TIMES

Oregon Schools Foundation Newsletter

## BP Husky sponsors S.T.E.M. Lego & Robotics Clubs



Lilly Dalton programs her Lego creation.

### Thank you BP Husky!

BP Husky has collaborated with Oregon City Schools to increase exposure to S.T.E..M. (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) related programming. How the investment is spent, was left to district leadership to determine. Through methodical research and planning, the STEM Lego & Robotics Clubs were recently launched. Clubs for K-4 are held in each elementary school after school and grades 5-12 have a dedicated room at Clay High School.

The elementary clubs began meeting in March. The students are exposed to kits of Lego pieces, along with motors, levers and pulleys. After building a product creation, they actively use software to program their creation to move, sing,

spin, rotate, etc.

Excerpt from LEGO website:

“LEGO Education WeDo 2.0 makes science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and coding come to life. The unique combination of the LEGO brick, classroom-friendly software, and engaging, standards-based projects results in a resource that builds students’ confidence to ask questions, define problems and design their own solutions by putting STEM learning directly in their hands.”

We look forward to the future robotics competitions that the high school group will be involved in.

### The MISSION of the Oregon Schools Foundation

is to accept, manage and distribute gifts according to donor designation that enrich, inspire, expand and strengthen educational opportunities for our students.



Jayden Williams & Cameron Madson



Clay High STEM– Lego Room

# Annual Fund 2015 by the Numbers

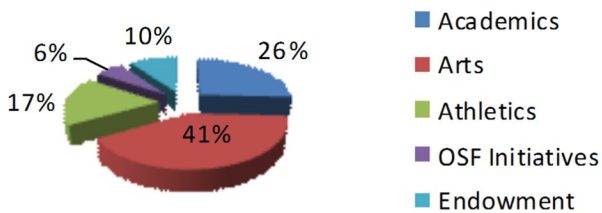
Oregon Schools Foundation worked with Oregon City Schools leadership to identify funding needs that exceed the district budget. Funding priorities for the 2015 OSF Annual Fund were carefully chosen and fulfilled.

<b>\$10k</b> Goal Set	<b>100%</b> Board Member Participation
<b>\$8.5k</b> Achieved	<b>\$97.90</b> Average Donor Contribution
<b>1943</b> Earliest Alumni Class Participation	<b>1995</b> Most Recent Alumni Class Participation

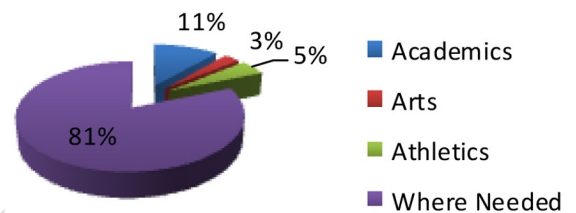
ACADEMICS	ARTS	ATHLETICS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Industrial Controls Equipment &amp; Programming at Clay</li> <li>✓ K-4 Elementary Reading Rooms (books)</li> <li>✓ Course relevancy support at Clay High School</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Elementary Art Club support</li> <li>✓ Cyclorama (large white backdrop curtain) for Clay High Limelighters.</li> <li>✓ New formalwear for Clay High School Choir.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Clay High Athletics purchased much needed soccer balls, corner flags, netting and equipment.</li> <li>✓ Fassett Jr. High purchased much needed new wrestling headgear and equipment.</li> </ul>

✓ OSF INITIATIVE: Welcome Folders

**Total Annual Fund Distribution \$8,540**



**Annual Fund Donor Designations**



# 2015 - 2016 Classroom Grants Implemented

## Highlights from the Classroom Grants during the 2015-2016 school year.

Funded through donor support of the Oregon Schools Foundation.



### Math Perseverance with Starr "Mathletes"

To meet increased rigor on Common Core math, Starr is creating an environment that stresses important math ideas, including new math manipulatives to engage learners. Family Math Night brings parents and students together for math fun.

Principal Feedback: "The 1st grade math night was an enormous success. It was well attended and executed. The students were having so much fun, not even realizing that they were practicing mathematics concepts." -Jennifer Conkle

### Learning at New Heights

High school students are given the opportunity to learn using standing desks.

Only able to fund 8 desks, therefore students rotate use each qtr. Over 50% of students request to be in standing desk rotation. Student feedback has been fantastic with a 92% approval rating.



Student Feedback: "I believe that [standing desks] help me wake up more in the morning, and I feel more engaged in the lesson. The ability to move around constantly and not disrupt the class is also a major plus; they help me to stay focused." -Reagan Clark, 10th grade



**Jerusalem Fossil Park**

Hands-on opportunity for elementary students to travel back in time 375 million years ago when Ohio was a great sea. Offers ability to learn about Devonian Era.



**Mapping World History**

Hands-on opportunity for middle school students to build a chronological foundation of themes and key events in ancient history.



**Rainforest Adventure Art Camp**

Opportunity for 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade elementary students to explore plants, animals and people of rainforest through art, books, video clips and more. Offered enriching, educational art experience for young students over the summer.

Parent Feedback: "The Rainforest Adventure Summer Art Camp was an amazing experience for my daughter! Not only did she learn valuable lessons about art, the rainforest, and friendship, she was also challenged to express her creativity in a supportive environment." – Kristi Feher, parent

**Congratulations to all Grant Recipients!**

*Expanding Strengthening Enriching Inspiring*

# Donor Appreciation Event

## Inaugural Event

OSF's first Donor Appreciation Event was held on November 19, 2015 in the historical Macomber Lodge at Pearson Park in Oregon.

The event was held to honor OSF donors and volunteers, to share how OSF builds partnerships for our students, and to recruit newly interested board members. Three new board/committee applications were accepted and approved as a result of the event.

Delicious sandwiches and finger foods by Michael's Gourmet Catering were on hand to enjoy.

Each recognition level received an item that was hand crafted and created by an Oregon student.

**HIGH HONORS** level included a dozen cookies baked and prepared by the Culinary Arts class at Clay High School.

**SALUTATORIAN** level included a painting or dimensional art piece provided by the 5-6th grade Art Connection students at Eisenhower Intermediate School.

**VALEDICTORIAN** level included a pencil sketch drawing or painting interpretation of the OSF logo "tree of knowledge" created by the art students enrolled in Clay High School's Painting and Drawing specialty art class.

**LEADER IN EDUCATION** plaque has an aluminum eagle set on the state of Ohio that was designed & manufactured by the students of the Integrated Machining & Engineering program at Clay.



## Leader in Education

(L to R) S&D Capital - Brent Shimman. Michael's Gourmet Catering- Michael Armstrong. BP Husky-Mary Caprella. Mercy Health- Craig Albers

## Valedictorian

(L to R) Tadd & Erin Davis  
Laurie (& Mark) Rigg  
Amy (& Ron) Hansen

## Salutatorian

Oregon City Fed. of Teachers-Dave Shafer  
Genoa Bank- Brent Huston  
Lisa (& Troy) Anderson

## High Honors

(L to R) Colleen (& Jim) Barron,  
Dennis (& Chris) Walendzak,  
Charlie & Angi Duvendack, Scott & Jenny Bruns, Leslie (& Mark) Carr,  
Michael & Laura Armstrong, Hal & Mary Gregory, Tom & Ellen Daniel

## There are many ways to give:

**ONLINE** at [OregonSchoolsFoundation.org](http://OregonSchoolsFoundation.org), where you may use a credit card or set up recurring payments through our online agent, GIVLET.

**MAIL** your check, made payable to Oregon Schools Foundation, to OSF, 5721 Seaman Road, Oregon, Ohio 43616.

**CONTACT** the foundation directly for more information about ways to give: 419-639-0661 or [OregonSchoolsFoundation@gmail.com](mailto:OregonSchoolsFoundation@gmail.com)



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