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15 Innovative Classroom Grants Awarded!



The Foundation for Fort Mill Schools awarded fifteen \$750 grants to teachers for the 2012-2013 school year for innovative classroom projects. Thirty three hopeful teachers applied for the fifteen available grants. The winners were presented with a certificate and recognized at the October 2nd school board meeting. Check out our website for more photos of the projects as they happen! www.ffms.org

Show Me The Money! 2012-2013 Scholarship Winners



The Foundation for Fort Mill Schools is proud to help distribute 10 scholarships to deserving high school seniors to help further their education. Over the past eight years, the Foundation has distributed over \$70,000 in scholarship money! The 2012-2013 scholarship winners are: Raylisha Godbolt University of South Carolina Nursing College of Charleston Oanh Dalena Huynh Biology

Nicholas Raszeja Jeffrey Case **Taylor Ann Santana** Julia Van Buskirk Reyzhyne Edwards **Tinsley Tullos** Mallorie Buchanan **Haley Michelle Cook** Margaret K. Wilson

LaGrange College Clemson University University of South Carolina Tasha Nicole Sanders University of South Carolina Clemson University Lander University Sydney Monique Reid South Carolina State University Carson Newman College Johnson & Wales University Winthrop University University of South Carolina

Exercise Science Engineering French **Elementary Education** Chemistry Nursing

Fashion Merchandising Culinary Arts Elementary Education Early Childhood Education

And the grant goes to...

Amber Adgerson Kris Pratt, Sarah Rigby, Ursula Patterson Stephanie Haecherl, Jamie Livingston **Amy Rohring** Lisa Kasko Kim Price Erin Jones, Katrina Holmes **Ashley Mantel** Gina Kidd, Susan Balsinger Lauren Crawford, Christina Ashburn Julie Maynard Judi Griffin, Treva Hamlin Rebecca Roemer Adrienne Bynum Beverly DeMayo, Bethann Rohaly, Ellen Richardson Fort Mill High School Erin Owens (TEC Dowling Grant)

Fort Mill Elementary Fort Mill Elementary Gold Hill Elementary Gold Hill Elementary **Orchard Park Elementary Orchard Park Elementary** Pleasant Knoll Elementary Riverview Elementary Sugar Creek Elementary Fort Mill Middle, Banks Trail Middle Banks Trail Middle Fort Mill Middle

Springfield Middle

Fort Mill High School

Riverview Elementary



Katrina Holmes & Erin Jones at the Oct. 2nd school board recognition

Grant money in action at Riverview and Orchard Park Elementary Schools



Mary McDonald of Kim Price's class at Orchard Park Elementary

Left: Kim Price's grant, "Light the Fire of Reading: Moving Reading into the 21st Century" brought Kindle e-readers into the classroom for use during literature circles, guided reading groups, and for self-reading times. Students are even allowed to take them home to read over the weekend.

Right: Ashley Mantel's grant, "Increasing Reading Engagement at School and Home", provided a mobile library of new and current books on various reading levels for students to use in the classroom or taken home to read with a parent.



Hannah Fuller & Mrs. Mantel at Riverview Elementary

New Executive Director for the Foundation



Caryn Scroggs Executive Director

Caryn Scroggs joined the Foundation as Executive Director in July. She is a 2001 graduate of Fort Mill High School and earned her B.A. in Psychology and Masters in School Counseling from Winthrop University.

Caryn spent the past five years as a guidance counselor and sponsor to student council at Fort Mill High School. She lives in Fort Mill with her husband Gales, an Assistant Principal at Fort Mill High School, and their son, Quinn.

You can contact Caryn at cscroggs@ffms.org or by calling the Foundation office at 803-548-5559.

Honor Your Teacher

As the holidays approach we often reflect on the blessings and people in our lives that have made a difference to us. Take this opportunity to share your thanks and appreciation to a special teacher who has made a difference in your child's life.

The Honor your Teacher program recognizes outstanding teachers in the Fort Mill School District that have made a difference on their students.

Your donation in their honor helps us to provide grant money for Innovative

Classroom Projects-projects which encompass
innovation, creativity,
educational value, student
involvement, and teacher
commitment. Each Honor
your Teacher recipient will:

- receive a certificate
- be featured on our website and publications

Simply go online at www.ffms.org or fill out the form and mail to PO Box 476, Fort Mill, SC 29716 by December 7th to ensure your teacher receives recognition before the

My Teacher Appreciation Gift Yes! I wish to honor the following Fort Mill School District teacher(s) and/or educator(s):
Teacher Name:
School:
Teacher Name:
School:
My child's name:
My address(for receipt):
Enclosed is my tax deductible gift:
\$10\$25\$50(other)\$
Mail to PO Box 476, Fort Mill, SC 29716 You may also donate online at www.ffms.org

Scholarship Winner Spotlight...where are they now?

Grea Boyd



Grea Boyd graduated from Fort Mill High School in 2011. She was a Varsity Cheerleader and captain. She participated in Student Council, volunteered as a cheer coach, and dedicated time in many other organizations. In her junior year she attended Palmetto Girls State and has attended every summer since.

Grea, was the recipient of the Harold (Mac) and Phoebe McCallum Scholarship. The McCallum scholarship was established in 1993 to honor Mac and Phoebe McCallum, who helped shape the lives of countless students with a combined 53 years of teaching. This scholarship awards \$2,500 to one student at FMHS and NFHS who plan to continue their education in vocational or technical training with a preference given to those majoring in teaching or nursing.

Grea is in her second year

at Clemson University and majoring in nursing. She maintains a 3.9 GPA while serving as a chairwoman in Delta Zeta sorority. She spends time volunteering for Adopt-A-Highway, a local animal shelter, and Generations (a boy's home). Grea also supports Delta Zeta's national and local philanthropies as well as many other community service opportunities on campus.

Mark your calendars...



Professional Enrichment:

The Foundation will award two \$250 grants for teachers to use toward professional enrichment, continuing education and/or independent study. Beginning January 1, 2013, teachers are encouraged to submit their proposals to the Foundation detailing their plans for using this type of grant.

Innovative Classroom Projects:

An Innovative Classroom Project encompasses innovation, creativity, educational value, student involvement, and teacher commitment. Applications will be available on the website and emailed to all teachers in the district in January 2013.

Scholarships:

The Foundation is happy to distribute 10 scholarships to graduating seniors. However, each of our scholarships have different sponsors and the application and deadline dates may vary depending on sponsor preference. However, all scholarships are typically posted in the spring with a deadline around April 1st. Check with your guidance counselor for updates.

Update on the Sopwith Camel



The year long project of building a replica Sopwith Camel is well under way at FMHS and NFHS. Students have already completed the basic airframe structure and are now dismantling the wings so they can add tensioning wires to the structure. Aviator David

Griffin and Ell Close are overseeing the project with the assistance of teachers, Mark Adams (NFHS) and Patrick Lyons (FMHS). Students will begin assembling the engine in about two weeks. Mr. Griffin hopes to fly the plane in May.

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