

A Message from the President



The Bloomfield Hills Schools Foundation challenges the Bloomfield Hills Schools community to dream big on behalf of our students. Supported by generous donations from families, alumni, community members and businesses, the BHSF funds materials and programs that enrich the core curriculum, support academic excellence, and inspire innovation. In the three years since its re-start, the BHSF has become a critical district partner providing resources that promote the success of our students, schools, and district. According to Superintendent, Dr. Rob Glass, "Our students benefit substantially from the resources provided by the BHSF. The programs, materials, and opportunities funded through BHSF grants inspire, motivate

and challenge, making a difference in each and every BHS classroom."

Our community prides itself on a top-notch public school system. Access to a quality education is a primary reason families choose BHS to steward their children's education. With your help, we're enhancing core programs and empowering leaders to identify, evaluate and implement the highest-performing and most exciting educational initiatives.

Our future depends on the investment we make as a community today to provide a high-quality education for every child for generations to come. Your contributions to the BHS Foundation supports significant programs that promote educational excellence in our schools, from pre-K through high school. We thank you for your dedication to our students, to quality public education, and to our collective future.

We encourage you to visit our website to learn more about the BHSF and many of the impactful programs it has funded. Please join us in our efforts to encourage our children to dream bigger and achieve more.

Sincerely,

Mary Ellen Miller, President
BHS Foundation



Grants and Program Funding

BHSF grants impact all district students. Staff and program leaders are encouraged to submit applications twice annually, in the fall and spring. Applications are reviewed by the BHSF board and rated according to a specific set of criteria. These criteria require that projects are enriching and student-focused and align with the district's strategic objectives. The analysis also considers evidence of overall benefits for our schools, clear purpose of funding, focused methodology, and meaningful measurement and reporting.

2016-17 Grant Highlights

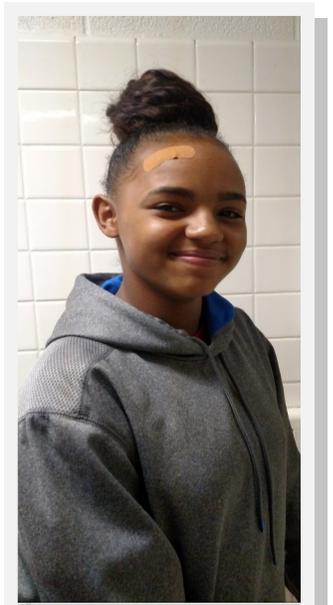
This year's grants supported initiatives in STEM, diversity, literacy, the arts, special education, entrepreneurship, environmental learning and more.

Highlights:

- ◆ A World Religions Journey for district seventh graders
- ◆ Tru-Colour Skin Tone Bandages providing bandage equality
- ◆ 3-D printer and supplies for the district's robotics teams
- ◆ Ukuleles for elementary students
- ◆ An American Literature community read
- ◆ Digital Microscopes for biology classes
- ◆ A music Artist-in-Residence program

Please visit our website for a complete list of grants awarded and programs supported.

We also expanded our Directed Giving program this year, adding the Stewart Scholarship in the Visual Arts, a Swim and Dive Wall, and school-specific fundraising. These programs have been successful in supporting special initiatives and core programs.



BHMS student Kailey shows off her Tru-Colour bandage.

Foundation Celebration

Our third annual gala honored BHS alumnus, Rick Lax, a 2000 graduate of Andover High School. Lax pursued careers in writing and law before realizing his dream of performing as a magician. He has worked as an illusion consultant for David Copperfield and produced the critically acclaimed television show, Wizard Wars.

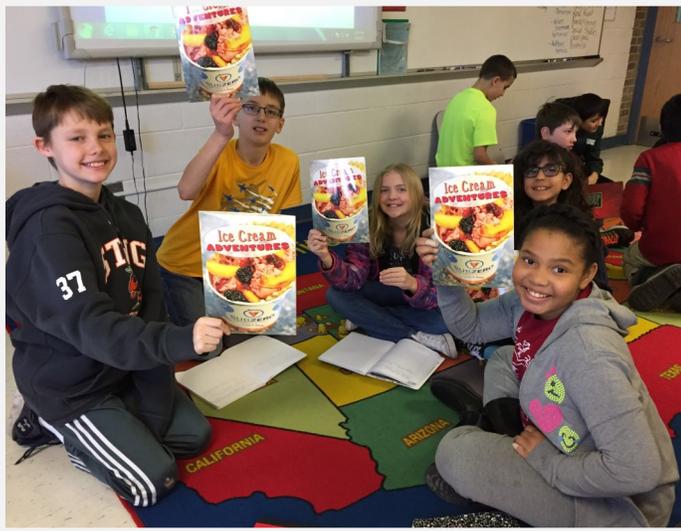


Lax's story is inspirational for our BHS community. He drew upon his experiences in BH schools to create his own unique career. He credits his middle and high school teachers for pushing him to participate in math clubs and performing arts activities where he discovered strengths and passions.

Lax spoke at our Foundation Celebration on March, 25 at Wabeek Country Club. The event also featured Las Vegas-style gaming (with Lax as a dealer), the BHHS Jazz Band, and silent and live auctions. Earlier in the day, Lax spoke to middle schools students, encouraging them to believe in themselves and pursue their dreams.

Volunteers

Dedicated volunteers serve on our committees and the BHSF board. These passionate individuals— parents, community members, district administrators and board members, business leaders and alumni—are committed to the growth of our students and the strength of our schools. Their efforts have forged strong partnerships with the larger BHS community and advanced significant investments in our district. We are grateful for their commitment and leadership.



East Hills Middle School Students are excited by the books purchased with the Shelley Lazarus Memorial Grant.

About The Bloomfield Hills Schools Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation organized exclusively for educational and charitable purposes. It receives and stewards contributions to sustain and enhance the educational and other long-term strategic efforts of the Bloomfield Hills Schools.

Mission The mission of the BHS Foundation is to support educational excellence for BHS students and staff by engaging with our community to fund academic and enrichment programs and initiatives.

Vision Our vision is to ensure the BHS has the resources to fulfill its mission: *To enable learners to become architects of their futures, building on a foundation of scholarship, citizenship, service and integrity.*

Ways to Give

The BHS Foundation provides a vehicle for individuals, businesses and organizations to share resources and gifts with the BH schools. Donors have many opportunities to contribute to the BHSF.

- ◆ **General Fund** contributions can be made at any time throughout the year.
- ◆ **Annual Giving** contributions can be made during our campaign which runs from November 1 until December 31 annually.
- ◆ **Alumni Giving** shows your pride for BHS and your appreciation of the excellent educational programs that provided you with a foundation for success.
- ◆ **Tribute Donations** honor those special individuals who've made a difference in our lives. These gifts can be made in honor or memory of a loved one or special occasion at any time throughout the year. The BHSF runs a specific Tribute Campaign from May 1 until school year-end annually.



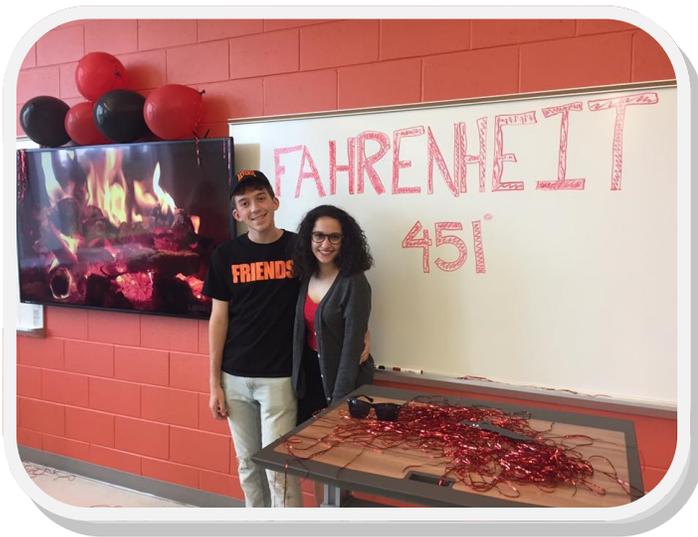
Andover Class of 1976 toured the new BHHS as a part of their 40th reunion celebration. They made a generous legacy donation to the BHSF.

Financial Performance

Net Assets, Beginning of Year:	\$106,991
2016-17 Revenue	\$139,635
Campaign & Management Expenses	\$82,148
Grants & Directed Giving	\$61,868
Net Assets, End of Year	\$102,792

Funds Awarded Since 2014 Restart

February - June 2014:	\$16,779
2014 - 15:	\$31,806
2015 - 16:	\$36,831, plus Directed Giving, \$23,966
2016 - 17:	\$40,744, plus Directed Giving, \$20,942



BHHS students lead the American Literature Community Read.

Did You Know?

- ◆ You can honor a favorite student, teacher, alumni, loved one or special someone through a BHSF Tribute Donation. Donate in Tribute online at www.bloomfield.org/Donate
- ◆ The BHSF partners with specific schools programs and PTOs to raise funds through its Directed Giving program.
- ◆ You can keep up with the BHSF on our website, www.bloomfield.org/Foundation, our Facebook page (Bloomfield Hills Schools Foundation) or Twitter or Twitter @BHSFoundationMI.

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BHS Foundation 2016-17 Calendar

August 31, Welcome Back Day

September 26, Fall Grant Applications Available

October 1, BHS Open House

October 22, Fall Grant Applications Due

November 1, Annual Giving Kick-off

November 17, Fall Grants Awarded

December 31, Annual Appeal Ends

February 26, Winter Grant Applications Available

March 24, Foundation Celebration

March 28, Winter Grant Applications Due

April 13, Winter Grants Awarded

May 1, Tribute Campaign Kick-off



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