

YSEF MISSION

The York Suburban Education Foundation is an independent, nonprofit organization providing funding for innovative programs that enhance the educational experience and foster continued academic excellence for district students.

We do this by raising funds that are used to award grants to teachers, administrators and students who have new ideas for improving the culture of excellence in the YSSD schools. Donor support also funds the student-led Impact Closets located in all six York Suburban buildings so that no child lacks the essentials for school and home.

WANT TO HELP? Visit our website at www.ysef.org and like us on Facebook to see details about upcoming events, pictures of the grants in action, purchase Tribute Cards for teachers, and make an online donation.



Alumni Event at the Holy Hound Taproom



NEWS from YSEF

2016 Grants

YSEF awarded \$39,987.08 in grants in 2016. See details inside.

Alumni Committee

The YSEF Alumni Committee continued connecting with YSSD alumni and retirees to foster their continued support of the district. Over 50 alumni attended the YSEF Alumni Event in October and raised \$900. See back page for how else alumni and retirees are supporting YS education.



Above: Working hard at the closet builds

Below: Impact Closet collection drive at YSMS



Impact Foundation

Students at YSHS continued to broaden the reach of the Impact Foundation (IF), a committee of YSEF. The students built and stocked an "Impact Closet" in each of the six YSSD buildings. Over 3,000 items were donated

through IF's five collection drives in collaboration with the PTOs, Student Councils and the Dollars for Scholars BOB event. IF's motto is "Students Helping Students."



Above: Closet needs are regularly posted on YSEF's FB page—LIKE us and look for images like these to help!

Left: IF students raised \$2,000 and went on nine shopping trips to help stock the closets.

Above: IF students wrote and were awarded a \$2,000 grant from the National School Superintendent's Association to support the Impact Closets. 2016-2017 Impact Foundation members (L to R): Collin Slenker (Treasurer/Secretary), David Ilayan, Sahara Wilt, Emily Englar, Zach Weinstein (President), Carl Young, Matt Baquero (Vice-President), Jack Schultz, Lucy Cook, Parker Faircloth-Henise, Peter Wagner.



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

"Great things are done by a series of small things brought together."—VINCENT VAN GOGH

Throughout this report, you'll see examples of the impact your gifts have on our students and schools. Sharing inside stories can give us a glimpse of how the YSEF community provides EXTRA resources for York Suburban teachers and students to string a "series of small things" together and continue to accomplish "great things" within a great school district.

A second grade English language learner held a newly hatched baby chick in April during the annual embryology program piloted by YSEF, and uttered his first words since the beginning of the school year. This triumph, gleefully celebrated by his friends, was not due to this single experience. The baby chick was a "small thing" in his day that helped unleash his GREAT potential after a "series" of daily encouragements by his teacher and classmates. A request came into the student-led Impact Foundation from an elementary guidance counselor. A student needed sneakers. Within five minutes of posting the specific request on Facebook, a YS parent committed to drop the donation off at the building by the end of the school day. Seventh grade science students are raising brook trout in their classroom, and will release them into Pennsylvania waterways at the end of the school year. "Beyond cool," is how they describe this hands-on, six-month long experience funded through a YSEF grant and made possible by you.

THANK YOU for partnering with YSEF to do more for students! No gift of volunteer time or financial contribution is too small. Please visit www.ysef.org and follow York Suburban Education Foundation on Facebook for regular updates.

With heartfelt appreciation,

Sarah Reinecker

Sarah Reinecker, *President*



York Suburban Education Foundation STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION December 31, 2016

ASSETS		
	2016	2015
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$156,109.16	\$144,251.31
Guyer Fund	\$14,796.79	\$14,687.47
Sindicich Fund	\$26,707.59	\$28,081.95
York County Community Foundation	\$184,948.74	\$126,647.97
Total Assets	\$382,562.28	\$313,668.70
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS		
Net Assets	2016	2015
Unrestricted	\$305,131.61	\$238,515.66
Restricted	\$77,430.67	\$75,153.04
Total Net Assets	\$382,562.28	313,668.70

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Thank you to the following volunteers who donated their time and talent to YSEF in 2016:

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The York Suburban Education Foundation (YSEF) is pleased to announce it has awarded ten grants totaling \$39,987.08 through its 2016 Grant program.

Adaptive/Active Furniture

Chris Forney and Amy Schnetzka (Yorkshire Elementary); Alicia Kowitz (YSMS); Jennifer Kozak and Kayla Ichter (Valley View Elementary); and Chris Rumbaugh, Marge Smith, and Oliver Good (YSHS) were awarded a combined total of \$10,000. The grants have provided students with adaptive furniture options that enable them to focus and boost brain function, which research has shown to promote academic growth. In 2015, a similar YSEF grant was awarded, and outcomes proved to serve as an extremely successful pilot program.

Applied College Tuition (ACT)

Dr. Denise Fuhrman and Dr. Brian Ellis (YSHS) were awarded a \$2,040 grant to support the high school Dual Enrollment Program. Funding is provided through corporate funds approved through the PA State Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program. This grant enables qualified students to experience college courses while still attending high school. ACT is a YS district strategic initiative to provide experiences that will increase the likelihood of post-secondary success.

Escaping Language Limits

Laura Gordon (Yorkshire Elementary) received a grant for \$7,164 to benefit the increasing population of English language learners in YSSD, enabling them to have access to individualized language instruction throughout the year. Many students at the primary level are still acquiring reading skills in their native language. This program will provide first-language support in 15 languages, while gradually translating reading for the students to begin acquiring essential English language skills.

Trout in the Classroom

Kathleen Green (YSMS) was awarded a grant of \$1,500 for this interdisciplinary program provided by the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, Pennsylvania Department of Education's Environmental and Ecology, and Pennsylvania Trout Unlimited. Through this program, the seventh grade students are raising brook trout in their classroom. They received the equipment and eggs in November 2016, are checking/monitoring the environment daily, and watching the trout grow. The adult trout will be released in May 2017 into an approved Pennsylvania waterway.

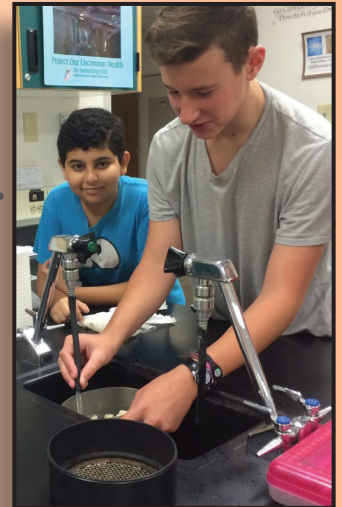
The Brain Gym

Dr. Tawn Ketterman (Valley View Elementary) received a \$903 grant from endowment proceeds through the Jeffrey D. Sindich Foundation, a donor endowment fund held by YSEF at the York County Community Foundation. The fund is in memory of Jeffrey Sindich, York Suburban graduate class of 1986. The grant has been used to purchase an action-based learning center for kindergarten students. The kindergarten teachers at VV take an entire classroom and rotate students through a series of movement stations. Brain research links movement and physical activity to increased academic performance.

Fizz, Boom, Read . . . Full STEAM Ahead!

Dr. Mary Beth Grove/Dr. Denise Fuhrman (East York Elementary), Dr. Greg Gulley (Indian Rock Elementary), Dr. Tawn Ketterman (Valley View Elementary), and Dr. Kim Stoltz (Yorkshire Elementary) were again awarded a grant for the York Suburban School District elementary summer enrichment program. The grant of \$18,380.08 was provided through corporate funds approved through the PA State Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program. This program reinforces reading, writing, math and science skills for rising 1st-5th grade students through teacher-led activities. STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Math) concepts are incorporated to guide student inquiry, dialogue, and critical thinking.





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We thank the following generous donors who supported YSEF through the EITC program. Through their donations, we are able to fund on-going programs such as Fizz, Boom, Read! and the ACT program at the high school, which allows all interested seniors to take college classes.

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Alumni Committee

In celebration of their 50th Reunion year, 19 members of the class of 1965 donated \$10,000 to support YSEF grants. At the annual Celebration of Excellence, class members challenged other YS alumni classes to consider doing the same while planning their reunions or special events.

"As an alum and the parent of future Trojans, what better way to celebrate our milestone years than to join with our classmates and give back," said YSEF Alumni Committee Chairman, Justin Leber, '01.

Can your class meet the challenge and help make an impact on today's students?

YSEF can help organize your class effort, and keep you updated on alumni events and YS happenings. Send us a message by visiting **www.ysef.org** to update your contact information and LIKE York Suburban Education Foundation on Facebook.



Celebration of Excellence event at Heritage Hills



Above: Class of 1965 Alumni Joel Snyder, Connie Shorb and Dan Mazzolla present their class donation to YSEF Board President Sarah Reinecker.

