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A Perfect Partnership

SPARK greatly appreciates the continued support that is received from the Prince William County School Board. Our success is the result of a great partnership with our School Division and its leadership, and for this we are incredibly thankful. The Foundation looks forward to collaborating with our School Board members for many years to come.

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Message from the 2018-19 President

Ms. Dawn Davis of Apple Federal Credit Union

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as president of the SPARK Board of Directors for the 2018-19 school year. I have been directly involved with Prince William County Public Schools (PWCS) for many years serving as chair of the SPARK Scholarship Committee and member of the Board of Directors. Having also served as co-chair of the Smart Beginnings of Greater Prince William Sustainability Committee and volunteering at the annual Prince William County SeaPerch Underwater Robotics Competition, I believe my experience will allow me to leverage support for students, teachers, and staff to strengthen the foundation of education in this *World-Class* School Division.

Supported by donations from local businesses, SPARK raises funds for Prince William County teachers and schools, as well as School Division departments, staff, and offices, through our "Innovative Grants" program. In 2017, over \$80,000 was awarded to schools and departments to implement programs that would not be possible otherwise. The Foundation continues to support the use of our enhanced web presence in all Division schools, and continues to support students pursuing careers in teaching, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM), nursing, and many other private programs through our scholarship program– awarding over \$82,000 to 57 graduating seniors this past school year.

Each year we embark upon initiatives to help make education brighter for our students. We now support more than seven scholarship funds; play a vital role in the Virginia Student Training and Refurbishment (VA STAR) Program; provide clothes and gifts to families in need via our Holiday Helpers initiative; provide support for Robotics teams in all of our schools, and continue to bring awareness to the importance of early childhood education through support of Smart Beginnings Greater Prince William. This year, SPARK incorporated the CTE Advisory Committee to support high school programs for cyber security, welding, automotive, culinary, cabinetry, engineering, HVAC, and other classroom instruction.

The support that SPARK is able to leverage enriches students' lives every day. These children are the basis for our community's future growth and prosperity, and it is only possible to build on that strong foundation with the continued support of our corporate and community partnerships. The quality of our schools is more than simply a desirable community feature. A strong PWCS is vital for the future success of our county, state, and nation. With the experience and determination of the SPARK Board of Directors, we can guarantee that our success will only continue to strengthen PWCS.

We invite you to offer support for the Foundation's initiatives and help provide opportunities for PWCS students to reach their greatest potential. Your involvement will be tremendously rewarding to you and to our community's students.

Sincerely,

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Dawn Davis President SPARK

INNOVATIVE GRANT WINNERS 2017-18 Award Cycle

SPARK awards its "Innovative Grants" to Division teachers, schools, and departments that propose exciting and creative new ways to enhance education for our students. \$86,457 was awarded in 2017-18 to the following:

Battlefield High School

"Escape Room: Classroom Edition" "Real-World Graphics & Real Life Careers"

Beville Middle School "Congressional Simulation Project"

Brentsville District High School "Brentsville District High School Robotics Club Expansion"

Buckland Mills Elementary School "Forte Speaker Package"

Cedar Point Elementary School "Tech Lab"

Coles Elementary School

"A 21st Century Makerspace to Enhance Student Learning" "Rap Like a Boss"

Featherstone Elementary School "Discovering Science through Hands-On Learning"

Forest Park High School "Terra Firma Legos"

Graham Park Middle School "Using VR in the Classroom"

Leesylvania Elementary School "We Both Read – Parents & Siblings Reading Together"

McAuliffe Elementary School "MISSION POSSIBLE: Engage Students, Enhance Learning"

Montclair Elementary School "Developing Future Engineers with Lego Mindstorms EV3"

Mountain View Elementary School "STEAM Collaboration in the Library"

Mullen Elementary School "Elementary Kindle Fire Tablets"

Neabsco Elementary School "Kodable Kids"

Patriot High School "Summer Math Pilot Program"

Pennington Traditional School "Project Lead the Way Launch Initiative" **Potomac High School**

"The American Dream from Different Perspectives"

Potomac View Elementary School "FIRST LEGO League Robotics Team"

PWCS Instructional Technology "EdTech Podcasts"

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"Propelling Our Robotics Teams to Soar"

PWCS Office of Student Learning

"Legends of Learning – Integrated Science Educational Games Platform"

PWCS Office of Student Services

"Early Math Matters: Transitioning PWCS Kindergarteners"

River Oaks Elementary School

"Blended Learning (ESOL)"

Stonewall Middle School "Level Up with Literacy: Writing for Games"

Sudley Elementary School

"Flexible Seating for Flexible Minds" "Game Lab Collection" "Kindergarten Chicken Hatching Experience" "READ Boxes"

The Nokesville School

"Open the App, Close the Gap!" "We're Rolling Along – Coding with Spheros"

Tyler Elementary School

"Programming Collaboration in the Library"

West Gate Elementary School

"Developing Deep Reading Comprehension by Reading Across a Series" "Outstanding Students with Multiple Opportunities"

Woodbridge High School

"Viking Academy"

SUPPORT FOR INNOVATION

Activities and Events

Sponsored the 24th Annual "Tee Off for Education" golf classic fundraising event to **support innovative grant distribution** to our departments and schools.

Hosted the 17th Annual Superintendent's Business Breakfast to provide a "State of the Schools" update, **to spotlight the School Division's commitment to excellence**, school to business/community partnerships, and innovative grant successes.

Program Support

Continued fundraising for the "Holiday Helpers" giving program to include Volunteer Prince William's Un-Trim-a-Tree program and the Fraternal Order of Police Battlefield Lodge #43 Santa Cop program to **provide food, gifts, and** warm clothing to families-in-need.

Provided continued extensive **support and financial assistance to the VA STAR** (Virginia Student Training and Refurbishment) program to include the expansion of the program to other School Divisions in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Continued support by providing more than \$75,000 in funding for the Divisionwide enhanced web presence, raised by leasing and managing commercial advertising space on PWCS school websites. PWCS **provides an online communication platform for teachers, students, and parents so they can share information**.

Continued support for the Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) initiatives. This includes **providing a robust selection of robotics programs** and career and technical education opportunities to schools.

Support for the Smart Beginnings Coordinator position, working to **improve the quality of care and education** for children from birth until kindergarten and to ensure that children are ready to succeed in school and in life.

Scholarships

In 2017-18 SPARK distributed \$62,000 to graduating high school seniors, totaling 32 awarded scholarships to 23 different colleges and universities.

- Awarded three high school seniors \$1,500 each to pursue a career in teaching as part of the Dr. Edward L. Kelly Memorial Scholarship program.
- Awarded four \$1,500 scholarships to students pursuing a career in the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) field through the Micron Foundation and Lockheed Martin.
- Collected funds and managed activity for the Kevin Simpson Memorial Scholarship fund.
- Distributed a \$4,000 scholarship to one PWCS high school senior on behalf of Chick-fil-A restaurants in Prince William County.
- Distributed a \$1,000 scholarship on behalf of the Austin Trenum Memorial fund.
- Distributed three \$2,500 scholarships on behalf of the Derek Crowe Memorial Scholarship fund.
- Distributed \$2,500 on behalf of the Greg Kremer Memorial Scholarship.
- Distributed four \$1,000 scholarships on behalf of the PWCS Growing Our Own, Future Teachers Program.
- Distributed two \$1,500 scholarships on behalf of the Kristin Harkness Memorial Fund.
- Distributed eight \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors on behalf of the Payton's Project-Freeze Bullying for Payton scholarship fund.
- Distributed a \$1,500 scholarship awarded through the Sara Lott Memorial Scholarship fund.
- Distributed three \$1,000 scholarships to students pursuing a career in the STEM field on behalf of SRC, Inc.
- Distributed a \$1,000 scholarship and \$3,000 scholarship to two students on behalf of the Victor Cahoon Memorial Fund.
- Distributed five \$1,500 scholarships on behalf of Zion Church.
- Managed activity for the Caulkins Construction Adult Education and the Paul A. Wilson Memorial funds.

2017-18 FINANCIAL SUPPORTERS



The Lions Clubs in Prince William County to include the Dale City, Montclair, Lake Jackson, Park West, and Woodbridge clubs, have provided countless hours of volunteered time dedicated to our students and their health for years.

By providing full service vision screenings at schools in Prince William County, they prevent visual impairments by making students and parents aware through early detection of relatively common conditions such as nearsightedness, farsightedness, amblyopia, and dangerous conditions like retinoblastoma. Many students may go without a vision screening until they have difficulties learning in school, or in some cases, they are unable to afford health insurance. The Lions mission is to reach our students before these condition worsen and assist in referring parents on how to get help.

In 2017, the combined efforts of the Lions Clubs in Prince William County totaled a value of over \$130,000 in high-tech vision screenings.

Through our partnership, the Lions Club is saving sight with an immediate impact on the lives of the children in our community.

Generous SPARK Donors

The following list of businesses, civic organizations, and individuals reflects generous support through gifts of time, talent, in-kind, and cash donations that invested in public education during the 2017-18 school year. Without their contributions, the work of SPARK would not have been possible.

Many donors choose to support SPARK through their workplace giving campaigns, such as United Way, America's Charities, or other charitable programs. Several PWCS employees also contribute through payroll deduction. While the names of these individuals are often unknown, their gifts enabled our program to flourish. **For that, we thank you.**

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SPARK encourages community partners to become involved with student achievement, programs, and innovations. Superintendent of Schools Dr. Steven L. Walts shared an update on the start of another successful school year during his "State of the Schools" address with the local business community at the Annual

Superintendent's Business Breakfast held on October 26, 2017, at the Kelly Leadership Center. This event shared information about how businesses may partner with both the Prince William County Public Schools' Education Foundation and the School Division to help strengthen and enhance local public education in support of our schools and over 90,000 students.

SPARK thanks the following donors for their support of the 17th Annual Superintendent's Business Breakfast.

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BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS 2018 Business Partnership Award Winners



Assistance League of Northern Virginia and Loch Lomond and Yorkshire Elementary Schools

The Assistance League of Northern Virginia provides much needed resources to students at these schools to include coupons for free haircuts and shoes, weekend food assistance, books for school libraries, new clothing, toiletries, and school supplies. They also spend countless hours mentoring and tutoring.

The impact of this partnership allows students to achieve and attend school daily with the resources they need to be successful.



Mason Game and Technology Academy – Virginia Serious Game Institute (MGTA – VSGI)

MGTA is one of the fastest growing and transformational enrichment programs in the region today, integrating all of the STEM core competencies in a challenging, fun, and engaging way. This program combines both the sciences and the arts, with creative & critical thinking and problem solving skills.

As a partner with Stonewall Middle School, MGTA provides instruction in the area of game design and technology to integrate computer game design with current academic instruction.



IBS Millwork and the PWCS Office of Career and Technical Education

IBS Millwork, a local custom architectural millwork and woodworking business, is dedicated to introducing students and parents to today's world of high tech mill working. The growing interest of our students, specifically at Hylton High School through the Cabinet Making specialty program, benefits from a committed partner like IBS Millwork, as they provide job opportunities to students pursuing a career in woodworking.

IBS Millwork has provided the skills, opportunities, and foundation for our students pursuing careers in the mill working and woodworking field.



2018 Community Partner of the Year

Prince William County Service Authority and Penn Elementary School

The Service Authority not only serves as an environmental steward in our schools by providing workshops and in-classroom water conservation lessons, but also

supports the Prince William County Science Fair, and engages students by hosting their Annual Water Art Invitational.

The Service Authority is a committed partner who continues to teach students about the importance of providing clean drinking water to the community and a clean environment.

Congratulations and Thank You!