

CELEBRATING TWENTY YEARS



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

To The Friends of the Fort Bend Education Foundation:



The Board of Directors and Staff of the Fort Bend Education Foundation (FBEF) are pleased to present this Annual Report of the Foundation's activities and accomplishments during the 2011-2012 fiscal year. The Foundation was created in 1992 for the purpose of enhancing the education process through grants awarded to the classroom teachers. This commitment continues to stimulate the learning experience of our students by facilitating innovative educational programs and providing the tools for teachers to incorporate within their classrooms. Through these grants, the FBEF has demonstrated a long-standing desire to promote academic excellence as well as develop future leaders, employees and productive members of our community.

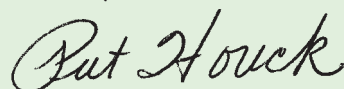
We are excited to be celebrating our 20th year. Since inception, the Foundation through partners and friends like you,

have contributed more than 3.8 million dollars to FBISD schools. In 2011-2012, the Foundation awarded \$265,208 in contributions. Additionally, 112 new teachers beginning their teaching careers received a financial gift to invest in materials to outfit their classrooms. Our success in helping to build a brighter future for our children by improving education, expanding knowledge and developing leaders is a tribute to you, the donors, the supporters and the volunteers. Your generous gifts, contributions and efforts make all of these initiatives possible. On behalf of the nearly 70,000 students who benefit from your support. Thank You!!!!

FBISD is not only an "exceptional" public school system; it is one of the primary economic driving forces yielding the dynamic growth we have seen in Fort Bend County. However, along with this new growth, our district is faced with new and considerable financial challenges. We all read about significant budgetary constraints which are affecting the economy of all school districts. FBISD continues to add new students which

creates additional expenses for new schools and teachers. Our goal still remains to continue to bridge these financial gaps in an effort to maximize our commitment of promoting academic excellence and providing funding for the most unique educational opportunities that will have the most impact on our students. I want to thank you and our Board of Directors for your continuing generosity and support. I hope that you feel blessed by the significance of your gifts and contributions. Together we can continue to make a difference in our schools and our community by providing opportunities to enrich and enhance the quality of education for all Fort Bend ISD students!

Sincerely,



Pat Houck
2012-2013 President
Fort Bend Education Foundation

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Check out our community discounts!

Community Discounts include: DriveTheFoundation.com online drivers education and defensive driving; Energy Companies- Ambit, Champion and StarTex; LegalShield and Fort Bend Toyota.

August 27th12th Annual Back to School Scramble
Golf Tournament
Sweetwater Country Club
1:00 Shotgun

November 3rdifest Live 2012
www.alianahouston.com

February 23rd20th Annual Gala
"Once Upon A Time"
Sugar Land Marriott

March 23rdEducation Expedition
BP MS 150 Recommended Bike Ride
Hightower High School

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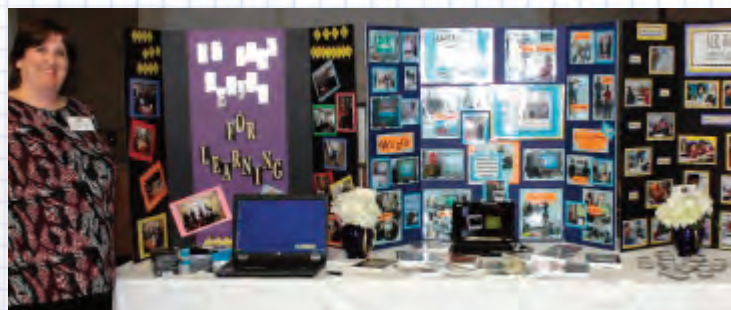
2012 Donor Reception

On May 15, 2012 the Fort Bend Education Foundation's Past Presidents Council hosted a 20th Anniversary Reception honoring its Founding Members, Donors and Volunteers. The reception was held at Constellation Field, home of the Sugar Land Skeeters.



Pictured (front row, left to right) are: Brenna Smelley, FBEF Executive Director; Lisa Brettman, Past President; Marsha Stein, Past President; Emily Agis-Wahl, Past President; Bob Brown, Founding Member; Jane Van Hsieh, Founding Member; Allen Jackson, Founding Member/ Past President; Lynn Halford, 2011-2012 President; Dr. James Wallace, Founding Member; Charlie Pogue, Founding Member; Kolbe Curtice, Past President; and (back row) Dr. John Novak, Past President, John Null, Founding Member; John Fox, Founding Member; Claude Leatherwood, Past President and Dr. Dennis Halford, Founding Member/Past President

Thanking Fort Bend Education Foundation



Karen Porter and Coach Trudy Higgins created display boards, a booktrailer, and a DVD to share with the Fort Bend Education Foundation donors and members the impact that Foundation grants have had at M.R. Wood Center for Learning for the 2011-2012 school year. The Foundation had purchased books, Flip cameras, Wii's, CPS Clickers and MobiViews. Mrs. Porter and Coach Higgins thanked the Foundation and donors for their assistance and support.

M. R. Wood Center for Learning LOVES the Fort Bend Education Foundation and its donors!!! Also, a special thanks to The Fred & Mabel Parks Foundation.

Fort Bend Education Foundation News:

Fort Bend Education Foundation donates \$265,208 to FBISD

At its annual Grant Awards presentation, held May 15, the Fort Bend Education Foundation presented a \$265,208 check to Fort Bend ISD to fund the Grants to Teachers and Schools, Angel Gifts, Grants for Experts, and other programs.

Since its inception, the Education Foundation has awarded nearly 3.8 million in grants to FBISD teachers and schools. For the 2012-2013 school year the Education Foundation awarded 141 grants for \$199,977 to support the Grants to Teachers and Schools Program. Additionally, the Foundation awarded 112 Angel Gifts for \$14,431, \$40,000 for the Grants for Experts program and \$10,800 in pass through grants for a total of \$265,208, this year. .

Pictured (front row, from left to right) are: Dr. Timothy Jenney, FBISD Superintendent; Peggy Jackson, FBEF Board Member; Emily Agis-Wahl, FBEF Board Member; Lynn Halford, FBEF President; (back row) Brenna Smelley, FBEF Executive Director; Andy Ralph, FBEF Executive Committee Member; John Wantuch, FBEF Board Member; Dr. John Novak, FBEF Board Member; and Dr. Dennis Halford, FBEF Board Member.



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The 19th annual Fort Bend Education Foundation Gala “Lights Camera Action,” was held at the Sugar Land Marriott Hotel on February 25, 2012. Over 750 people were in attendance, and every school in Fort Bend ISD participated by providing a Silent Auction basket. Gala co-chairs Jacquie Chaumette and Terri Wang toasted the success of The Fort Bend Education Foundation’s continuing efforts to enrich and enhance the quality of education for all Fort Bend ISD students. Supporters of the Gala experienced an evening of Hollywood’s glamorous bygone days and raised over \$230,000 for Grants for Teachers and Schools.



Many thanks to our underwriters, sponsors, and individual donors!

ifest live 2011 International Festival & Vendor Fair was bigger and better than ever!

On Saturday, November 5th, the Fort Bend Education Foundation presented its 6th Annual International Festival at Sugar Land Town Square. Ifest Live 2011 was a huge success this year with perfect weather and outstanding entertainment by FBISD schools and area performance groups. There was fun for the whole family to enjoy with a variety of booths to explore and food to eat! The festival closed with the USA Tableau.

The students performing invited members of the crowd from all different cultures to join them on stage where they were given American flags. The Tableau concluded with the song “PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN” where everyone sang and waved the flags together as the announcer summed it all up saying, “ladies and gentleman, many faces from many places... we are THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA!”

We would like to thank all of our sponsors, participants and volunteers for all of their support in making this year’s festival such a fantastic event!



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Fort Bend Education Foundation 2012 Schlumberger Education Expedition



On Saturday, March 24th, the Fort Bend Education Foundation held its 9th Annual Schlumberger Education Expedition bike ride. Over 700 riders gathered at Hightower High School for this BP MS 150 recommended ride. As a result of this successful ride the Foundation raised over \$25,000 benefiting the Fort Bend Education Foundation programs which provide opportunities to enrich and enhance the quality of education for all Fort Bend ISD students through its Grants to Teachers and Schools programs.

Rest Stops/Lunch were staffed by volunteers including teachers and students from FBISD schools. They were vying for the Best Rest Stop award. Ridge Point High School Student Council won the award. Go Panthers!!

At the end of the ride, riders were able to enjoy a much deserved lunch that was catered by Bravos Mexican Restaurant and Subway; as well as great music.

We want to thank all of the riders and sponsors who supported the Fort Bend Education Foundation. We hope to see you again next year! For more information about the Fort Bend Education Foundation visit our website at www.fortbendisd.com/foundation.



2011 Back to School Scramble an Eagle for Education!



The eleventh annual Fort Bend Education Foundation Back to School Scramble golf tournament was held on August 29, 2011 at Sweetwater Country Club. Schlumberger and Sweetwater Country Club presented the "Back to School Scramble" chaired by Ron Bailey and Rod Nelson.

Thanks to the generosity of this year's participants, the event netted more than \$88,000 for the Fort Bend Education Foundation. The 264 golfers that attended the tournament enjoyed lunch from Chick-fil-A and an awards banquet at the end of the day. The tournament low gross champion team consisted of Allen Owen, Doug Calame, Marc Smith and Michael Harris.

The Foundation provides opportunities to enrich and enhance the quality of education for all students in FBISD through our grants for Teachers and Schools programs. We touch every school in FBISD. Last year the Foundation awarded \$265,208 through its grants to teachers and schools programs. Since inception in 1992, the Education Foundation has awarded over \$3.8 million to FBISD teachers and schools. For more information contact us at www.fortbendisd.com/foundation.



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FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Who decides how the money is spent?

The Foundation's Allocation Committee is responsible for the solicitation, review, and acceptance of proposals for projects and programs that will improve and enrich classroom education.

Since its inception, the Education Foundation had awarded over **\$3.8 million** to Fort Bend ISD teachers and schools.

Where does the money go?

Every school in Fort Bend ISD benefits from the Fort Bend Education Foundation grant programs that train teachers, provide equipment, and offer new instructional experiences to students of all ages. Each year, hundreds of grant proposals are submitted to the Education Foundation. Each proposal undergoes an extensive review process. The number of grants awarded depends upon the amount of money raised through the Education Foundation's annual fundraising events.

2010-2011 Results

- Over \$265,208 was awarded in grants to teachers and schools for the 2011-2012 school year.
- 112 teachers beginning their teaching career received an Angel Gift from the Foundation for a total of \$14,431.
- 141 grants were awarded through our Grants for Teachers and Schools Program.
- \$140,000 was awarded for staff development programs.
- Every school in Fort Bend ISD was impacted by the Foundation's programs.
- Continue to grow our endowment, ensuring we can fund future innovative education opportunities.

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