# **Brownsburg Education Foundation Newsletter**

April 2024

**Enhancing Education Together** 

#### **2024 Visionary Partners and Newsletter Sponsors**









Thank you to our April Partners of the Month





# YOUR DONATIONS MAKE A DIFFERENCE Real Men Read

# in all kindergarten classes at every BCSC elementary school

sponsored in part by







Real Men Read is an early literacy program where men in the Brownsburg community donate their time monthly, go into kindergarten classrooms, and interact with the students by reading a different book on each visit. Last month ended the five-month program that BEF funds each year.

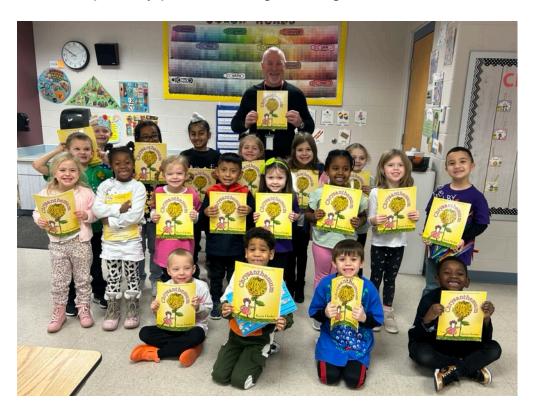


Community members who go into the classrooms to read consider this a way of giving back to the community and a way to instill a love of books with these youngest learners. This year, MENtors read *Clifford Goes to Kindergarten*, *Jabari Jumps*, *Chrysanthemum*, *There Was a Cold Lady Who Swallowed Some Snow* and *Pete the Cat Rocking Field Day* to the kindergartners.



The readers create a source of enjoyment for the kindergartners, incorporating stuffed animals, sound effects, and funny voices to keep the classrooms engaged. Every month, kindergarten students are able to take home a copy of the book to keep and to share with loved ones.

This also helps the students begin to build their own at-home libraries where they can enjoy these books again and again!



Learn more about grants awarded for the 2023-2024 school year HERE.

# WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A GIFT TO THE BROWNSBURG EDUCATION FOUNDATION TO SUPPORT OTHER GRANT PROJECTS LIKE THIS?

## **DONATE NOW**

#### A Message from the President...

First and foremost, I want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our volunteers who dedicated their time, energy, and passion to supporting our Gala last month. Their commitment and enthusiasm ensured a successful event which raised over \$78,000! We have exceptional volunteers, and the incredible work they've been doing truly impacts BEF.

Interested in volunteering? Whether you have a few hours to spare or are looking for a long-term commitment, there are countless ways to get involved. Reach out to our Executive Director, Rene Behrend, at <a href="mailto:renebehrend@brownsburg.k12.in.us">renebehrend@brownsburg.k12.in.us</a> for more information on how you can volunteer to support BEF.

Don't forget, our Board of Directors application process is open, and we are seeking additional members to join us and our mission. Our Board of Directors is a dedicated group of community members who volunteer their time to plan and organize ways to positively impact the students within the Brownsburg Community Schools.

If you are interested in applying or learning more about becoming a board member, we encourage you to apply or to reach out to a current board member for more information. Listed below are some basic criteria to aid in your decision process.

- Have a passion for supporting our students and teachers
- Attend five (5) board meetings
- Actively participate in a subcommittee

#### Applications need to be submitted by Wednesday, April 10th.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to making our community a better place. Together, we can create positive change and spread joy and kindness wherever we go.



Alicia Smith
President, BEF Board of Directors

#### **BEF Board of Directors Application**

The application for the 2024-2025 <u>Brownsburg Education Foundation Board of Directors</u> is now available! If you are interested in being a part of this group of individuals who are dedicated to and passionate about education, <u>complete this electronic application</u> **by April 10th.** Contact the BEF office if you have questions or want more information.



# THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING the Rally for Our Kids Gala March 8, 2024

presented by





# You raised over \$78,000 to benefit the students and the teachers in our community!









## Thank you to our generous Gala Partners\*:































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# Congratulations!

## DIAMOND NECKLACE WINNER

Megan Alexander-Swartout!

Raffle License #013480





BROWNSBURG EDUCATION FOUNDATION





## June 14, 2024 | 8:30 a.m.

at West Chase Golf Club REGISTER HERE

### **BEF PIONEER CAMP**

#### **REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!**



17th - 20th or 24th - 27th JUNE 2024



**9AM - 2PM** 

Pioneer Camp

Looking for a great summer experience? JOIN US for hands-on fun and learning! Spend a week as a pioneer child.

Spend a week as a pioneer child, participate in engaging activities, and make new friends!

Register at ww.brownsburgeducationfoundation.org by May 31, 2024 at 11:59 p.m.

Camp takes place at 310 South Stadium Drive.
Open to all EXITINO 3 rd - 5th grade students.
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Cooking
Building
Insect Study
Fishing
Crafts
Games
Tree Identification
Music and Dancing
Gardening
Bird Watching
Sewing





All exiting 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students are invited to attend! Enjoy cooking, sewing, building, nature study, crafts, gardening and learning about life as an Indiana child in 1850.

#### SO MUCH FUN!

"Every day [our daughter] came home with story after story, looked forward to doing the chores and was so proud to make pies, sew and feed the birds. It was an invaluable experience that she cannot wait to do again! Wish you did it the full 5 days!!!"

-parent of a 2023 camp participant

# **HELP WANTED!**

Are you driven by a passion to create meaningful change? Can you envision yourself leading innovative fundraising initiatives and impactful partnerships? Do you possess the strategic thinking and relationship-building skills to inspire donors and mobilize resources for lasting impact?

**If you answered yes, consider joining BEF as our Development Director.** In this role, your commitment and creative vision will propel our mission forward as you help enhance the education of the students in our community. Learn more about this position <u>HERE</u>.



**CLUB** 

Thank you to these donors who have committed to recurring monthly support for BEF! Members of the 1987 Club also receive monthly updates about the impact of their gifts as well as special invitations to events.

#### **1987 CLUB MEMBERS**

Bill and Rene Behrend
Joel and Tara Casey
Jenny Davidson
Bob and Becky Duncan
Tarah Fettig
John Feister
Amber Hageman
Melanie Harris
Rosemary Isaacs-Anderson
Todd and Theresa Jackson
Melissa Lee
Pamela Miller
Mark and Christa Nierzwick
Brian and Laura Petraits
Andrew and Alicia Zeller

Click Here to Join The 1987 Club Now!

Check the box next to "Show my support by making this a monthly donation".

# BCSC FAMILY NIGHT WITH THE INDY ELEVEN

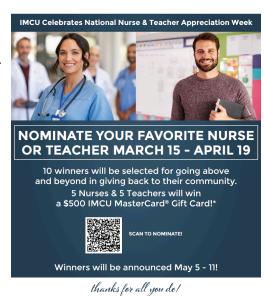
Don't miss BCSC Family Night with the Indy Eleven on **April 27th**. A portion of each ticket goes back to the Brownsburg Education Foundation. CLICK HERE to get your tickets now!



# NOMINATE A DESERVING TEACHER OR NURSE

by April 19th!





INDIANA \_\_\_\_\_\_
Members Credit Union

#### **BINGO BONANZA**

Fundraiser by Brownsburg Sertoma Club
- All attendees must be 21 -



Full bar available for purchase, along with pizza by the slice & breadsticks from the slice & own, Sal's Brownsburg's own, Sal's Pizzerial

Friday, May 10, 2024

Reverse Raffle available for purchase with a Grand Prize of \$1,500, as well as Pull Tabs & 50/50 Raffle!

7:00 PM - 10 PM (Doors open at 6:30 PM)



Location: American Legion Post 331 636 East Main Street Brownsburg, IN 46112

Funds raised go into our fund to help local youth who need counseling and help with mental health issues like severe depression and suicide prevention. Our Sertoma Club has a fund at Care to Change Counseling to provide these services. Some funds will also go to the Brownsburg Schools' suicide prevention teacher training program.

- <u>Bingo</u>: \$25 (must have ticket or buy one at door to enter) ticket purchase includes 18 games with each game providing 3 Bingo cards (total cash payout of \$1,500 with games 1-6, \$50 payout, and games 7-18, \$100 payout). Multiple Bingo tickets are permitted, though the maximum sold for the event will be 250 (or 250 attendees).
- Reverse Raffle Tickets: \$20 (need not be present to win)

To pre-register see a Brownsburg Sertoma member or contact Brent Kiefer at <a href="mailto:bkiefer7@hotmail.com">bkiefer7@hotmail.com</a> or 317-696-1295.

Indiana Gaming License # 002308

#### **Our Contact Information**

- \*{{Organization Name}}\*
- \*{{Organization Address}}\*
- \*{{Organization Phone}}\*
- \*{{Organization Website}}\*

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