



The Learning and Liberty Foundation
of the
Fremont City Schools

Annual Report
2017-2018

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About the Foundation:

The Learning & Liberty Foundation is a foundation governed by a Board of Trustees consisting of school officials and members of the community. The purpose of the foundation is to enrich and enhance the educational opportunities which are provided by Fremont City Schools Board of Education. The articles of incorporation and bylaws serve as guides for the operation of the foundation.

Mission Statement:

It is the mission of The Learning and Liberty Foundation of the Fremont City Schools to enhance the learning process, increase educational opportunities and encourage instructional innovation and creativity by generating and distributing financial and other resources. The objectives of The Learning and Liberty Foundation are:

- I. To enhance educational programs and classroom instruction in the Fremont City Schools. Grant proposals will be reviewed by the foundation's board of trustees within the stated purposes of the foundation.
- II. To provide opportunities for organizations, businesses, foundations and individuals to contribute time, energy, expertise, money and other resources to The Learning and Liberty Foundation of the Fremont City Schools.
- III. To invest and manage a permanent fund (for use of interest only) which will be of increasing value to the Fremont City Schools. This fund will provide enduring resources for the proposed programs, ideas and school projects designed to benefit the Fremont City Schools.

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I. Financial Report:

Please see the attached annual report. A financial audit was completed for the year ending June 30, 2018 and all records and activities were found to be aligned to the foundation's purpose.

II. Meetings:

During the 2017-2018 academic year, The Learning and Liberty Foundation held scheduled meetings on September 21, 2017, November 16, 2017, January 25, 2018, March 22, 2018 and May 3, 2018. Additionally, the Fundraiser, Scholarship, Gold Medal Banquet and Student of the Month Committees held meetings throughout the year. Meeting minutes are available on the Foundation web page located on the Fremont City Schools web site at www.fremontschools.net.

Summary of Work Completed: Along with the work of the foundation committees in the area of student recognition (Academic Olympics, Students of the Month and Scholarships), the fundraising committee held an American Presidents Film and Literacy Festival with the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library and Museum at Spiegel Grove. The event was held October 13, 2018.

A. Students of the Month

The Learning & Liberty Foundation and Old Fort Banking Company sponsored the "Students of the Month" program again during the 2017-2018 school year. Students in grades 1-8 are selected by classroom teachers and recognized during FCS Board of Education Meetings throughout the academic year. The following students were selected as Students of the Month for 2017-2018:

November: Abram Stiltner, Emmanuel Heidelberg, Terelle Finley, Saebra Cooks, Madison Wagner, Jarek Mackey, Kurt Scharbach

December: Hanna Layne, Mateo Gonzalez, Starazaya Carter, Abigail Lindenberger, Collinn Ollom, Emma Thompson, Roemellia Gomez-Garcia

January: Taylor Coonrod, Rubi Almaguer, Ruby Smith, Quinn Wolf, Lilyana Reyes-Rodriguez, Jaxson Mackey, Kenzie Schwochow

February: Ciera Crum, Ashtyn Marsee, Jaydy Martinez, Carmen Johnson, Anisa Killian, Maryanna Fetterman, Karen Martinez

March: Logan Kilgore, Addison Schoch, Isaac Sanchez, Lyndi Wolf, Kayla Lewis, Xavier Lopez, Ella Durbin

April: Andrea Boedecker, Julian Chavez, Jenna Gooslin, Rebecca Jensen, Hannah Rios, Willow Rodriguez

B. Ross High School Scholarships

The Learning & Liberty Foundation awarded seven scholarships to the following seniors in spring 2018:

- Samuel Long - Ross High Scholarship
- Victoria Miller- Ross High Scholarship
- Sarah Schott – Ross High Scholarship
- Jasmine Taquba - David B. Brickner Scholarship
- Andrew Edmonds - Ross High School Positive Attitude Scholarship
- Sarah Schott– Ross High School Positive Attitude Scholarship

C. Academic Olympics

Each year students in grades 6-12 are recognized by The Learning & Liberty Foundation for academic excellence. Students are recognized based upon grade point averages during awards programs and receive academic pins/charms, certificates and bronze, silver and gold medals. The Gold Medal Banquet is held on an annual basis in order to recognize high school students with a cumulative 4.0 grade point average over the two semesters of the school year. The foundation extends its appreciation to Croghan Colonial Bank for co-sponsoring this event and to Joshua Warner for being our guest speaker during the banquet. The banquet was held on June 21, 2018 and the Gold Medal Recipients were as follows:

Lillian Abdo, Oakley Alliman, Midori Ayres, Maddison Baacke, Olivia Baptista, Ethan Beardmore, Mattie Billow, David Boda, Kennedy Bohannon, Alanna Borjas, Sunni Brandon, Addison Burmeister, Emily Burns, Aaron Chavez, Dillon Christopher, Kian Collins, Sophie Collison, Michael Contreras, Carl Cooper, Sarah Cooper, Charles Corthell, John Cronin, Kody Culbert, Olivia DeRodes, Noah Detrich, Mason Dewalt, Clarita Diaz, Alexandria Dodson, Aaron Dorobek, Cole Druckenmiller, Andrew Edmonds, McKela Elder, Alissa Endicott, Andrew Evans, Noah Evans, Alyssa Farrier, MaKennah Fitzgerald, Kyle Foos, Hannah Foos, Isaac Fraley, Kevin Frey, Conner Frost, Alyssa Fry, Zachary Frye, Mikayla Glaspy, Kayla Glotzbecker, Thomas Gluth, Lillian Gonzalez, Kristina Hagan, Ashley Hahn, Rachel Haitonic, Audrey Hawkins, Nevaeh Hawthorne, William Heflinger, Isabelle Held, Olivia Henry, Idella Herbst, Rachel Hofacker, Madeleine Holland, Noah Hotz, Trey Ickes, Emma Jahns, Rebecca Jahns, Hunter Jones, Kortini Joseph, Alyssa Karr, Lexi Keegan, Hannah Kelly, Mackenzie Kidwell,

Kassandra Kirsch, Austin Kramer, Victoria Kramer, Logan Kropp, Savannah Kruger, Lennedy Leutenegger, Shelby Level, Samuel Long, Heidi Martinez Meaba, Marissa McDonald, Noah Metzker, Marianna Meza, Dane Michael, Justine Michael, Andrew Miller, Victoria Miller, Isaac Minor, Emily Morris, Anne Marie Moses, Timothy Mosser, Ethan Moyer, Mitchell Mullholand, Abigail Nagy, Breyari Nason, Jacob Neiling, Brooke Nofziner, Nils Nolte, Evan Oglesbee, Mason Olds, Daniella Ortiz, Jenny Ou, Kang Ou, Marissa Overmyer, Rilee Overmyer, Tyler Peck, Marcela Perez, Ronin Pitt, Taylor Pitt, Alexis Prenzlin, Cassidy Price, Aliza Quick, Reagan Reau, Joshua Rhea, Jayden Ruiz, Jasannah Sabiers, Taylor Sachs, Ashtyn Schneider, Sarah Schott, Blake Schultz, Alhia Simms, Miranda Shetzer, Alyssa Sebastian, Owen Smith, Hanna Snell, Lexi Sours, Case Stevenson, Lillie Swineheart, Ethan Taylor, Hailey Taylor, Mychael Torres, Zamara Tucker, Tristin Turner, Sara Wadsworth, Patricia Walls, Lindsay Weickert, Trevor Weickert, Abby Wennberg, Sarah Widman, Zachary Whipple, Braxton White, Paige Willer, Mekhia Williams, Nathan Willis, Brady Wolfe, Angelina Wright, Christian Zaragoza, Faith Zimmerman, Lauren Zimmerman, Sydney Zoller, Gabriella Zuniga.

D. Crystal Apple Award

Each year, The Learning and Liberty Foundation awards the Crystal Apple Award to members of the district's teaching staff for their enthusiasm, love of teaching, caring for children, cooperation with fellow staff members and doing the "little extras" to provide quality educational experiences for students. Recipients of the Crystal Apple Award for 2017-2018 are as follows: Gregg Gallagher, Jen Kayden, and Donna Miller.

E. Instructional Grants

The Learning & Liberty Foundation awards instructional grants to teachers for a maximum of \$500.00. Grants are intended to enhance the learning opportunities in the classroom by providing resources for the creative teachers for a long-term project or special learning activities. The 2017-2018 grant recipients:

| Teacher/Staff Member | Building | Subject |
|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Tracie Dye | Fremont Middle School | English Language Arts |
| Christina French | Hayes Elementary School | Math, Social Studies |
| Dana Hanson | Stamm Elementary School | Science |
| Kourtney Jared | Fremont Middle School | Life Science |
| Abby Markwith | Washington Elementary School | Science, Math, Literacy |
| Carrie Meyer | Hayes Elementary School | English Language Arts |
| Bradley Scherzer | Ross High School | Art |
| Ellen Shawl | Ross High School | Drawing and Painting |

F. **Donations**

The Learning and Liberty Foundation extends appreciation to our 2017-2018 donors:

Jennifer Abdo, The Family of David Brickner, Linda Claycomb, Croghan Colonial Bank, Crowne Battery, Christina French, Richard LaFountain, Randall Macko, Tamara Martin, Donna Miller, Mosser Construction, Lori Nossaman, Old Fort Banking Company, Robert and Anne Overmyer, Erin Parker, Regina Reed, Rhonda Schmidt, Denise Sloma, Bridget Smith, Christine Smith, Tom and Nancicarol Wolesslagel.

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Annual Report 7-1-2017 through 6-30-2018**

| | Beginning Balance 7/1/2017 | Receipts/ Expenditures | Ending Balance 6/30/2018 |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| Investments | | | |
| Bonds and Certificates of Deposit | | | |
| Restricted Funds | 103,000.00 | | 103,000.00 |
| Unrestricted Funds | <u>20,000.00</u> | 5000.00 | <u>14,884.55</u> |
| Total Investments | <u>123,000.00</u> | | <u>117,884.55</u> |

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| General Fund Checking Account | 26720.72 |
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Income

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| Investment & Interest Income | 2,403.25 |
| Miscellaneous Income | 13.00 |
| Donations | 3,735.42 |
| Transfer From Unrestricted Fund To General Fund Checking | 5,000.00 |
| Plus Total Receipts | 11,151.67 |

Expenditures

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| Grants: | |
| Teacher | 2,190.00 |
| Teacher Crystal Apple Awards | 150.00 |
| Student of Month Awards | 1,025.00 |
| Student LLF Trustee Award | 200.00 |
| Senior Positive Attitude Awards | 400.00 |
| David Brickner Memorial Scholarship | 500.00 |
| Gold Medal Banquet Expenses: | |
| 2018 Medals/Ribbon & Sewing | 0 |
| 2018 Banquet Meal | 4,168.17 |
| 2018 Senior Drawing Award (5-\$50 Amazon Gift Cards) | 250.00 |
| Crystal Apples | 149.97 |
| Bond Insurance Premium | 200.00 |
| State of Ohio Annual Filing Fee 2017 | 100.00 |
| Miscellaneous Expense (R. B. Hayes Presidential Library & Museum FBO American File & Literary Festival, Inc.) | 5,000.00 |
| Minus Total Expenditures | 14,333.14 |
| General Fund Checking Account | <u>23,539.25</u> |

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| Scholarship Fund Money Market Account | 8462.71 |
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(Opened August of 2013)

Income

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|---------------------|----------------|
| Interest Income | 2.45 |
| Donations | 1300.00 |
| Plus Total Receipts | 1305.45 |

Expenditures

Student Scholarships Awarded (3 at \$1000.00 Each)

3,000.00

Minus Total Expenditures

3,000.00

Scholarship Fund Money Market Account

6,765.16

Total Investment and Account Balances

\$148,188.96

Submitted By: Robert L. Overmyer- Treasurer