

#### WHO ARE WE?

The Foundation is a 501(c)301 non-profit. We are a fund of the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry.



## **OUR MISSION:**

The Foundation is organized to seek and sustain county-wide charitable and educational resources that support the mission and goals of the public schools of Beaufort County





## **OUR GRANTS PROGRAMS:**

The Foundation was established in 2007. We began the grants program with the generous donation of Dr. Wayne Carbiener (BCSD School Board Chair at the time) of his BCSD Board stipend. To date we have granted over \$270,000 resulting in 80,000 innovative learning opportunities for BCSD students.

- Innovative Teacher Grants (\$750-\$1500)
- School Resource Grants (up to \$4,000)
- Student Enrichment Grants (\$500)
- The Dr. Wayne Carbiener "Above & Beyond" Award & grant goes to the BCSD District Teacher of the Year. (\$1,000)\*

\*This award is funded in Dr. Wayne's memory by the Carbiener Family



# The Peggy May Inspiration Award

This award, renamed in 2015 in memory of the Foundation for Educational Excellence's past Chair and Vice Chair, Peggy May, is given annually to acknowledge and celebrate an individual who attended or is supportive of Beaufort County public schools and whose accomplishments have distinguished him/her in their chosen field.



Our 2020 recipient of the Peggy May Inspiration Award, Kathy Cramer,

embodies the definition of inspiration in all that she does. While teaching special education in the Beaufort County School system, as well as acting as Co-Director of Area 8 Special Olympics, she worked to fulfill her dream of seeing Special Olympics as a school sport. Her dream has become a reality and the BCSD now recognizes and supports over 400 Special Olympic athletes in a variety of sports, from equestrian events to tennis, on a weekly basis. Kathy is also the founder and director of **SOAR** a non-profit organization that seeks to provide individuals with disabilities of all ages recreational activities and social opportunities.

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